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An important book’ - *New York Times*

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# What Happened to Liberal Democracy?

Remaking a Politics of Shared Prosperity - FROM THE WINNER OF THE NOBEL PRIZE IN ECONOMICS

DARON ACEMOGLU

**KEYNOTE**

A new theory of liberalism for a post-industrial world, from nobel prize winning author of *Why Nations Fail*

**SALES POINTS**

- A razor sharp new book from the Nobel Prize-winning author of *Why Nations Fail* which has sold over **1 million copies worldwide**
- Will appeal to readers of *ABUNDANCE* (136K global TCM) Francis Fukuyama's *LIBERALISM AND IT'S DISCONTENTS* (23K), *AUTOCRACY INC.* by Anne Applebaum (63K) and *ON TYRANNY* (1M) by Timothy Snyder
- Major print and broadcast campaign planned, with coverage expected across leading publications including *The New York Times*, *Financial Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Washington Post* and more

**DESCRIPTION**

Shared prosperity, equality, democratic values and the free pursuit of knowledge. Liberalism promised much, and even delivered on some of those promises. But now the remaining relics of establishment liberalism are being eroded by elitism, intolerance and rising autocracy. What went wrong? And what comes next?

Liberalism flourished as the underdog in a sea of competing political ideologies. But once it *became* the dominant ideology, it faltered. It failed to adapt in a postindustrialist world. And the very systems designed to deliver prosperity began to undermine it.

Nobel prize-winning economist Daron Acemoglu offers a new theory of liberalism, one that lays the groundwork for how we can - and must - rehabilitate liberal ideas and practices, now more than ever.

**AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY**

**DARON ACEMOGLU** is Institute Professor at MIT, Faculty Co-Director of MIT's Shaping the Future of Work Initiative, and Research Affiliate at MIT's Blueprint Labs. He has been awarded the John Bates Clark Medal, the BBVA Frontiers Award, the Global Economy Prize and the Nobel Prize in Economics in 2024.

Tom Chatfield

# How to Think Clearly

Cut through noise, see the big picture and make better decisions

## REVIEWS

'Tom Chatfield is the cognitive coach we didn't know we needed, teaching us how to be wiser and gently urging us to do better. Everyone has something to learn from this book' - Tim Harford, author of *How To Make The World Add Up*

'Praise for *Wise Animals*' - :

'Timely and wide-ranging... **ambitious in its scope**' - *New Scientist*

'One of the best books on technology and culture I have read' - Matthew D'Ancona, *The New European*

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## How to Think Clearly

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### KEYNOTE

The critical-thinking specialist and bestselling author shares proven habits and routines for clear thinking in the age of AI

### SALES POINTS

- Aimed squarely at readers looking for self-optimisation/personal development guidance: Oliver Burkeman meets *Atomic Habits*
- Makes accessible the *Economist's* core value of clear, evidence-based thinking, even when tackling complex issues
- A lively, actionable take on an abstract concept, made real for the twenty-first century

### DESCRIPTION

In a world of alt facts, imperfect algorithms and information overload, the ability to think clearly has never been more crucial. But it's not easy. Critical thinking asks us to slow down and reflect; to question assumptions; to be aware of blind spots. It takes time - which can be tough to find when we're distracted or under pressure.

*How to Think Clearly* is a practical primer for developing the habits that underpin critical thinking. In life or at work, whether weighing up options or choosing what to believe, it offers a toolkit to turn these skills into daily practice. From powerful pauses and killer questions to being data smart, it will help you think twice - and think better.

### AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

**Tom Chatfield** is a critical thinking specialist, educator, writer, tech philosopher and broadcaster. He is the author of the bestselling textbooks, *Critical Thinking and How to Think*, as well as several volumes on digital culture including *How to Thrive in the Digital Age* and *Wise Animals*. His books have been translated into more than 30 languages.

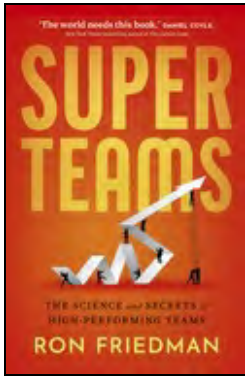
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## Superteams The Science and Secrets of High-Performing Teams

**Ron Friedman**

### Keynote

Smart, insightful, and relentlessly practical, this is your science-backed guide to turning your team into a Superteam.

### Description

'It's a rare read that introduces fresh ideas about how to make groups more than the sum of their parts.' **ADAM GRANT, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *Think Again***

'The world needs this book.' **DANIEL COYLE, New York Times bestselling author of *The Culture Code***

**The ultimate playbook for building high-performing teams, packed with counterintuitive insights, surprising science, and real-world lessons from the most comprehensive study of elite groups ever conducted.**

**What do the best teams do differently?** To find out, award-winning social psychologist Ron Friedman surveyed thousands of teams and pinpointed the precise habits that separate the best from the rest. The results upend everything we think we know about teamwork. It turns out that the most successful teams aren't the ones that collaborate most, get along best, or put in the longest hours. What really sets them apart is the way they manage their energy and attention, bring out the best in one another, and keep improving over time.

Blending eye-opening discoveries with unforgettable stories, *Superteams* takes you inside the writers' room of *Succession* and *Bridgerton*, the recording studio of ABBA and Fleetwood Mac, the kitchens of Michelin-starred restaurants, the laboratories of Nobel Prize-winning scientists, the locker rooms of NBA and NFL teams, and the boardrooms of the world's most innovative companies.

You will learn:

- A simple rule that instantly cuts meeting time in half
- How the best teams make focus easier, not harder
- The one question that makes team decisions up to 30% smarter
- The only office perk that improves performance (spoiler: it's not coffee)
- How personal productivity hacks make teamwork harder
- Why feeling like the smartest person in the room is a red flag
- Why top performers care more about disappointing their peers than their boss
- How the best teams avoid burnout without working fewer hours
- The science of truly restorative breaks, evenings, and holidays
- How to build a team that keeps getting better (even when you're not in charge)

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### Reviews

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- 'Evidence-based, **refreshingly honest**, and full of strategies that work whether your team sits in a single office or is scattered across time zones.' - **DANIEL H. PINK, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *The Power of Regret and Drive***
- '**The world needs this book.**' - **DANIEL COYLE, New York Times bestselling author of *The Culture Code***
- 'If you've read one teamwork book, you've read them all - until now.' - **MARSHALL GOLDSMITH, New York Times bestselling author of *What Got You Here Won't Get You There***

### Author Biography

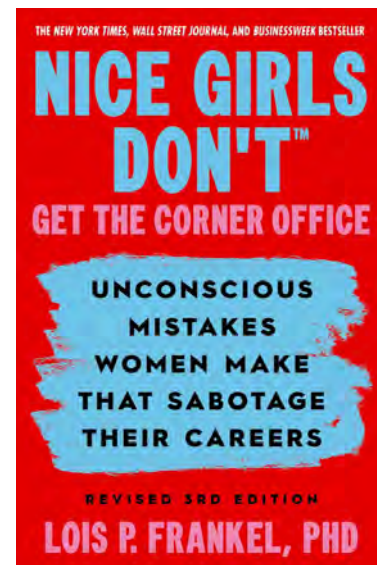
Ron Friedman, PhD, is an award-winning psychologist who helps leaders build high-performing teams.

He is the author of *The Best Place to Work* and *Decoding Greatness*, and the founder of Superteams, Inc., where he delivers keynotes, workshops, and executive advisory to senior leaders around the world.

An expert on human motivation, Friedman has served on the faculties of the University of Rochester, Nazareth College, and Hobart and William Smith Colleges. He contributes

## Nice Girls Don't Get the Corner Office

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### Title Notes

**Sales Handle:** Since 2004, Dr. Lois P. Frankel's *Nice Girls Don't Get the Corner Office* has been an essential resource for women seeking advice and empowerment to stop sabotaging their careers and get ahead in the workplace. This completely updated and revised vital new 3rd edition is everything a modern working girl needs to get what she wants.

**Book Description:** We've leaned in, we've girl bossed, we've untamed, and it's still challenging to be a woman at work. Though the workplace looks different than it did twenty years ago, women still face considerable challenges that men do not.

In this new 3rd edition of *The New York Times* bestseller *Nice Girls Don't Get the Corner Office*, Dr. Lois P. Frankel teaches you how to reject the "nice girl" mentality, which manifests as a distinctive set of behaviors learned in girlhood that ultimately sabotage you as an adult, and still exists in today's modern workplace. Dr. Frankel provides tools and guidance for eliminating these unconscious mistakes that could be holding you back in your career. Mistakes such as:

**Mistake #4: Believing Negative Self-Talk.** Counter negative messages with positive ones.

**Mistake #26: Fear of Coming Across too Strong.** Don't dumb tone, shut down, or tone down--be assertive!

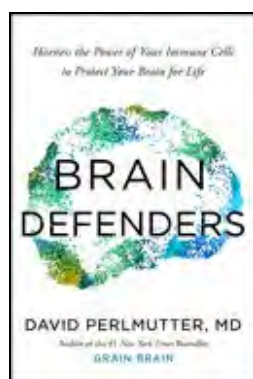
**Mistake #55: Poor Boundaries.** If you're going to work from home, set boundaries.

**Mistake #85: Doing Instead of Leading.** Picking up others' slack becomes a self-fulfilling prophecy.

You have the power to take control of your career without being controlling, to speak your mind while still being respected, and to chase your ambitions without fear or shame.

### Key Selling Points

- **A COMPLETE OVERHAUL.** While this edition will cover some similar ground as the previous edition, the author completely revised the TOC, and updated the material to include topics that are most present for women in the workplace today. Some of these are: having unrealistic expectations, not showing up, speaking too quickly, not managing up, succumbing to imposter syndrome, not properly managing remote work, best practices for negotiation, and navigating microaggressions. She also addresses things women continue to struggle with even since the first edition, like communication styles, appearance, and a tendency to minimize themselves.
- **INCREDIBLE TRACK.** The original *Nice Girls*, revisions, spin-offs, and the author's other books, continue to do incredibly well and have gone global--the book even got a shout out in a recent session of the Kenyan parliament. With a relatable and sticky premise, plus the author's continued work in this field, the most recent edition (2014) has sold nearly 400k copies across formats. We can keep it going with a new edition.



## Brain Defenders How to Protect Your Brain for Life

David Perlmutter

### Keynote

Not since *GRAIN BRAIN* has Dr Perlmutter written a book that will shake the foundation of what we know about neurological health and healing.

### Description

'A science-based, actionable blueprint to shift the brain from decline to repair.' — **Dr David Sinclair, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Lifespan***

A ground-breaking new book from the bestselling author Dr David Perlmutter that will transform our understanding and treatment of degenerative brain diseases.

In recent years microglia cells housed in the brain have been identified as playing a key role in a host of neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, Long Covid, and MS amongst others. When operating optimally, these cells support healthy brain function. However, when they go rogue, they cause inflammation in the brain, contributing to cell death and devastating neurological conditions.

Current drug treatments mostly mask symptoms rather than cure and the statistics are grim: worldwide, 55 million people suffer from Alzheimer's, 10 million people have been diagnosed with Parkinson's, and serious neurological disorders are on a rapid rise.

And the good news? By following the lifestyle protocol that Dr David Perlmutter presents in the book people can become 'architects of their cognitive destiny'. The *Brain Defenders* program is accessible to all and will help us start to win the war against the scourge of neurodegenerative diseases.

### Sales Points

- # 1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR - Dr David Perlmutter's seminal work *Grain Brain* transformed public understanding about carb rich diets. *Brain Defenders* looks set to be just as influential.
- RAPID RISE OF BRAIN RELATED DISORDERS - with an aging population, and drugs that mask the symptoms rather than cure, *Brain Defenders* gives science backed strategies which everyone can adopt.
- WELL CONNECTED AUTHOR - with over 1.5 million followers across social media and supporters including Mark Hyman; Gary Taubes; Casey Means; Andrew Huberman ensuring on-going sales through high-profile podcasts.
- STRONG SALES RECORD - with over 350,000 trade sales across all formats of David Perlmutter's titles in the UK.

### Reviews

- 'David Perlmutter consistently has his finger on the pulse of the newest and most important brain health research.' - *Dr. Rudolph Tanzi, Professor of Neurology, Harvard Medical School, and New York Times bestselling author of Super Brain*
- '*Brain Defenders* offers a powerful roadmap grounded in rigorous science and practical application.' - *Dominic D'Agostino, PhD, Associate Professor, Department of Molecular Pharmacology and Physiology, USF Morsani College of Medicine*
- 'This book is a must read for anyone seeking a roadmap on how to shore up your brain's resilience against diseases of aging.' - *William W. Li, MD, New York Times bestselling author of Eat to Beat Disease and Eat to Beat Your Diet*
- '*Brain Defenders* is a landmark work that puts the power of prevention in your hands.' - *Uma Naidoo, MD, nutritional psychiatrist, Harvard Medical School, and bestselling author of This Is Your Brain on Food*

### Author Biography

**Dr David Perlmutter** is a board-certified neurologist and Fellow of the American College of Nutrition. He is a frequent lecturer at institutions including the World Bank, Columbia University, New York University, Yale, and Harvard, and is the recipient of numerous awards. Dr Perlmutter is the author of *Grain Brain*, *Brain Maker*, *The Grain Brain Whole Life Plan*, *The Grain Brain Cookbook* and *Brain Wash*.

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## Misery

### Thrilling suspense from the No. 1 bestseller

Stephen King

#### Keynote

Don't miss this new retro edition of Stephen King's classic novel with a nostalgia-inducing cover, about a writer and his no. 1 fan.

#### Description

One of the true classics of psychological suspense, about a writer and his No. 1 fan.

Paul Sheldon used to write for a living. Now he's writing to stay alive.

Misery Chastain is dead. Paul Sheldon has just killed her - with relief, with joy. Misery made him rich; she was the heroine of a string of bestsellers. And now he wants to get on to some *real* writing.

That's when the car accident happens, and he wakes up splinted and in pain, in the remote mountain home of his rescuer, Annie Wilkes.

The good news is that Annie was a nurse and has pain-killing drugs. The bad news is that she has long been Paul's Number One Fan. And when she finds out what Paul has done to Misery, she doesn't like it. She doesn't like it at all . . .

#### Sales Points

- MISERY is an iconic masterpiece, discovered by millions of readers each year.
- MISERY was adapted in a classic movie starring Kathy Bates and James Caan.
- **RETRO-VINTAGE:** King's classics are both timeless and of their time, appealing also to viewers of series such as STRANGER THINGS and IT: WELCOME TO DERRY
- **ALWAYS-ON CAMPAIGN:** King's body of work is promoted throughout the year.

#### Reviews

- 'A writer of excellence...King is one of the most fertile storytellers of the modern novel' - *Sunday Times*
- 'One of the great storytellers of our time' - *Guardian*
- 'America's greatest living novelist' - *Lee Child*
- "[A] genius for storytelling" - *Daily Mirror*

#### Author Biography

STEPHEN KING is the author of more than seventy books, all of them worldwide bestsellers. His recent titles include *Fairy Tale*, *Holly*, and *If It Bleeds*, all number one *Sunday Times* bestsellers.

Many of his titles are the basis for major motion pictures including *IT*, *Stand By Me* (adapted from *The Body*) and *The Shawshank Redemption*, which is IMDb's top-rated movie of all time.

King is the recipient of *The Sunday Times* Award for Literary Excellence 2022, the 2020 Audio Publishers Association Lifetime Achievement Award, the 2018 PEN America Literary Service Award, the 2014 National Medal of Arts, and the 2003 National Book Foundation Medal for Distinguished Contribution to American Letters. He lives in Maine, with his wife, novelist Tabitha King.

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## The Shining

### A chilling classic from the No. 1 bestseller

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#### Keynote

Don't miss this new retro edition of Stephen King's classic novel with a nostalgia-inducing cover.

#### Description

One of the true classics of horror, **THE SHINING** is regarded as one of Stephen King's masterpieces.

Danny is only five years old, but in the words of old Mr Hallorann he is a 'shiner', aglow with psychic voltage. When his father becomes caretaker of the Overlook Hotel, Danny's visions grow out of control.

As winter closes in and blizzards cut them off, the hotel seems to develop a life of its own. It is meant to be empty. So who is the lady in Room 217 and who are the masked guests going up and down in the elevator? And why do the hedges shaped like animals seem so alive?

Somewhere, somehow, there is an evil force in the hotel - and that, too, is beginning to shine . . .

#### Sales Points

- THE SHINING is an iconic masterpiece, discovered by millions of readers each year.
- THE SHINING was adapted into a classic movie
- **RETRO-VINTAGE:** King's classics are both timeless and of their time, appealing also to viewers of series such as STRANGER THINGS and IT: WELCOME TO DERRY
- **RE-ISSUED WITH ORIGINAL ARTWORK:** to appeal to collectors and new readers alike.
- **ALWAYS-ON CAMPAIGN:** King entire body of work is promoted year-round to drive ongoing sales.

#### Reviews

- 'Obviously a masterpiece, probably the best supernatural novel in a hundred years' - *Peter Straub*
- 'As a storyteller, he is up there in the Dickens class' - *The Times*

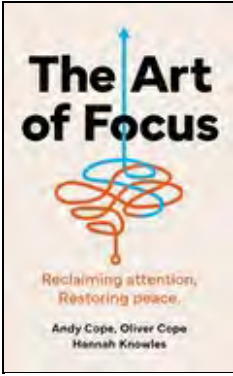
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**The Art of Focus**  
**Reclaiming attention. Restoring peace.**  
**Andy Cope, Oliver Cope and Hannah Knowles**

**Keynote**

*The Art of Focus* delivers an actionable manifesto for reclaiming your clarity and attention in a fast-paced, tech-driven world. Drawing on cutting-edge neuroscience, psychology, and anthropology, Dr. Andy Cope, his son, Oliver Cope, and Hannah Knowles offer practical strategies to thrive in today's overwhelming, distracted society.

**Description**

**What would being less overwhelmed look like? We all know the answer - we'd spent more time outside, away from our phones, living at a slower and less frantic pace. It's not complicated - and yet accessing that feeling really is. But maybe we're not the problem?**

This powerful exploration of how modern society and the relentless march of technology have contributed to the epidemic of anxiety, mental health struggles, and the breakdown of our ability to focus, is an eye-opening read. It argues that in world of infinite distractions, we're losing more than just our attention - we're losing our ability to live fully in the present moment.

Peppered with cutting-edge insights from positive psychology, neuroscience, and anthropology, *The Art of Focus* is a radical guide to reclaiming control, with a host of practical, research-backed strategies that will help you break free from the constant barrage of distractions and reconnect with what really matters in life.

It will equip you with tools that go far beyond the surface-level advice of "break up with your phone." Instead, you'll discover concepts like the *spotlight effect*, *popcorn brain*, and *zoochosis*, and you'll learn how to apply a host of actionable methods, such as the *10/5 principle* and *niksen* to reduce anxiety, rediscover joy, and learn to live with focus and intention. Strategies like mastering keystone habits (Eat, Move, Sleep) and embracing delayed gratification will soon be essential tools for your long-term mental and emotional well-being.

Whether it's managing anxiety, improving focus, or simply learning to slow down in an overwhelming world, *The Art of Focus* gives a compelling, hopeful alternative to the chaos. Its advice is rock solid and backed by science, making it a book that will not only resonate but inspire real, lasting change in your life.

**Sales Points**

- **Established Author:** Dr. Andy Cope has sold 65k copies across four titles with us. His authority in positive psychology and personal well-being make him an ideal author to take on this timely topic. He is a brilliant writer and this topic is the one that he covered in his PhD - he's ready to make it his own.
- **Timely and High-Demand Subject:** Society is at a tipping point, with widespread anxiety, tech addiction, and mental health issues becoming increasingly prevalent. With books like *Stolen Focus* and *Ten Arguments for Deleting Your Social Media* capturing public interest, *The Art of Focus* offers an optimistic, research-backed alternative.
- **Unique Father-Son Perspective:** The combination of Andy's expertise in positive psychology and Oliver's focus on attention spans and technology gives the book a broad coverage and appeal. Together, they offer a well-rounded and nuanced perspective on the challenges of living in the modern world. Perhaps surprisingly, it's the younger Oliver who is the least enamoured with his mobile phone.
- **Optimistic and Uplifting:** Unlike competing titles, which focus on the negative aspects of technology and attention loss, *The Art of Focus* emphasizes optimism and practical solutions. This is a "nudge" book - encouraging readers to make small, positive changes that will lead to long-term benefits.
- **Wide Market Appeal:** From overworked professionals seeking balance, to parents concerned about the impact of social media on their children, the book will appeal to anyone who feels overwhelmed by modern life.

**Author Biography**

**Andy Cope (Author)**

Andy describes himself as an author, happiness expert, qualified teacher and learning junkie. He has spent 10 years researching 'positive psychology' culminating in a 'PhD in Happiness' from Loughborough University. He has developed a series of keynotes and courses centreing on themes of happiness and flourishing, which he delivers in businesses and schools across the world. Andy has written several best-selling personal development books, including *The Art of Being Brilliant*, and is also a best-selling children's author. His *Spy Dog* series has enjoyed huge global success.

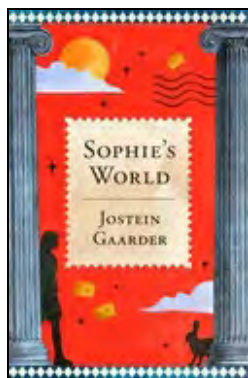
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Thema 1.6	<b>Self-help, personal development and practical advice (VS) Time management (KJMT) Psychology (JM)</b>
Binding	<b>Trade Paperback</b>
Format	<b>Demy</b>
Extent	<b>256 pages</b>
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	<b>UK; World (ex USA, Can)</b>
Not for Sale	<b>Can</b>
Author living in	<b>Derby, UK</b>
1st Serial	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
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Audio	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Dramatisation and documentary	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Electronic	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Film and TV	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
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Thema 1.6 **Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA)  
Philosophy (QD)  
Children's / Teenage fiction: General, modern and contemporary fiction (YFB)**

Binding **Paperback**

Format **B Format**

Extent **496 pages**

Word Count

Book locale **n/a**

Author born in **Oslo, Norway**

Author living in **Oslo, Norway**

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## Sophie's World

Jostein Gaarder

### Keynote

On the 30th anniversary of *Sophie's World* - the bestselling sensation of the '90s - a striking new paperback edition with a fresh look

### Description

'A simply wonderful, irresistible book' *Daily Telegraph*

'Terrifically entertaining and imaginative' *Daily Mail*

'An extraordinary achievement' *Sunday Times*

*Sophie's World* introduces us to fourteen-year-old Sophie: a Norwegian highschooler who receives mysterious letters addressed to another girl, asking big questions. But who is the other girl? And who, for that matter, is Sophie herself?

To solve the riddle, Sophie embarks on on a fantastic philosophical saga, and as the book hurtles through several millennia of philosophy - raising profound questions about the meaning of life and the origin of the universe - the dimensions of Sophie's world grow ever wider.

An addictive blend of mystery, fantasy and philosophy, *Sophie's World* is an international phenomenon which has been translated into sixty languages and sold more than forty million copies worldwide.

### Sales Points

- **RUNAWAY INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER:** *Sophie's World* was one of the stand-out books of the 1990s and the world's bestselling book in 1995. It has been translated into sixty languages and has sold over forty million copies worldwide
- **GO-TO BOOK FOR YOUNG PHILOSOPHERS:** an accessible introduction to philosophy in the form of a unique, magical, mind-bending novel about worlds opening up
- **30TH ANNIVERSARY EDITION:** with a beautiful new paperback design to reflect the lasting importance of the novel and appeal to contemporary readers
- **THE CHRISTMAS MYSTERY:** Gaarder's Nordic Christmas classic was reissued by W&N in November 2025 with a stunning new design. This paperback will make the perfect companion for it

### Reviews

- 'A marvellously rich book. Its success boils down to something quite simple - Gaarder's gift for communicating ideas' - *Guardian*
- 'An *Alice in Wonderland* for the '90s . . . this is a simply wonderful, irresistible book' - *Daily Telegraph*
- 'A wonderfully engaging mystery story that also forms a completely accessible and lucid introduction to philosophy and philosophers' - *The Times*

### Author Biography

**Jostein Gaarder** was born in Oslo in 1952. *Sophie's World*, the first of his books to be published in English, has been translated into sixty languages and has sold over forty million copies. He is the author of many other bestselling, beloved novels and children's books, including *The Orange Girl*, *The Christmas Mystery* and *The Ringmaster's Daughter*. He lives in Oslo with his family.

### Market

**Philosophical-leaning novels that appeal to teenagers and adults:** *The Life of Pi*, *The Midnight Library*, *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time*, *To Kill a Mockingbird*

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Main Identifier	<b>9781529452778</b>
Thema 1.6	<b>Modern and Contemporary romance (FRD) Romance: the rich / famous / powerful (FRR) Romance: unlikely or unexpected lovers (FRL) Romance: fantasy and paranormal (FRT) Romantic comedies (FRB) Urban fantasy (FMX) Fantasy romance / Romantic fantasy (FMR)</b>
Binding Format	<b>Paperback B Format</b>
Extent	<b>384 pages</b>
Word Count	
Illustrations	<b>N/A</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>Africa; ANZ; EU; Ind; Ire; M East; UK</b>
Not for Sale	<b>Asia (ex Ind); Can; Carib; Cent &amp; S Am; USA</b>
In-House Editor CANADA, UNITED STATES Publisher	<b>Jocasta Hamilton HBG US Publisher</b>

**Previous Titles**

Lights Out  
Caught Up  
Game On

1st Serial	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
2nd Serial	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
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Dramatisation and documentary	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
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Translation	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Undramatised (straight) reading	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
US	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>

**The Lunatics**

**the gripping, slow-burn paranormal romance from the multi-million copy bestselling author of Lights Out**

**Navessa Allen**

**Keynote**

**From the No. 1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *Lights Out* comes a gripping paranormal romance, perfect for fans of Ali Hazelwood's *Bride*.**

**Description**

**<h4>\*\*\*GAME ON, the final book from the MULTI-MILLION BESTSELLING INTO DARKNESS series is OUT NOW\*\*\***

**From the No. 1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *Lights Out* comes a gripping paranormal romance, perfect for fans of Ali Hazelwood's *Bride*.**</h4>

**Anything can happen during a full moon . . .**

Layla Fitzpatrick lives a simple life . . . for a werewolf. And that's just how she likes it-the scent of woody air, the ability to run free whenever she wants. Everything changes one summer night when she attends a ritual bonding ceremony. She thought she was only there to support her friend, but midway through, the magic seizes *her*, and Layla's suddenly mated to the most arrogant shifter she's ever met. How in the world is she supposed to spend her life with *him*?

Layla has no idea that man in the pristine business suit is hiding deep secrets. That Michael Kolbeck spends his nights prowling the streets of Boston, where shifters, witches, and vampires walk a delicate tightrope of uneasy peace. Layla wants to rebel against every aspect of her new life, but unless she and Michael can unlock the true powers of their mating bond, that thin veneer of peace among all supernatural beings is about to vanish.

**<h4>Readers LOVE *The Lunatics!*** </h4>

'It's like Navessa Allen has been rooting around inside my head and plucked out every single item on my wish list' &#11088;&#11088;&#11088;&#11088;&#11088;

'Couldn't put it down! . . . The story drew me in and I am here for it' &#11088;&#11088;&#11088;&#11088;&#11088;

'OBSESSED' &#11088;&#11088;&#11088;&#11088;&#11088;

'I loved it will all my heart' &#11088;&#11088;&#11088;&#11088;&#11088;

'Truly bingeable . . . I absolutely could not put it down' &#11088;&#11088;&#11088;&#11088;&#11088;

'Unexpected, sweet and brimming with mystery. I absolutely love the world she's created' &#11088;&#11088;&#11088;&#11088;&#11088;

'The pacing, tension, sub plots and slow burn are magnificent' &#11088;&#11088;&#11088;&#11088;&#11088;

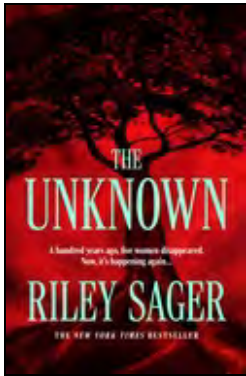
Lights Out, No. 1 *New York Times* bestseller, April 2025.

**Sales Points**

- Navessa Allen has spent 52 weeks in the *New York Times* bestseller chart with her multi-million copy bestselling series, Into Darkness.
- Navessa Allen is a social media sensation, with 313.9K followers and 6.5M likes on TikTok alongside 269K Instagram followers.
- Already a self-published success, this will be the first outing of *The Lunatics* in physical bookshops.
- With her trademark romance and humour, Navessa takes on paranormal romance in this gripping fated mates romcom which is perfect for fans of Ali Hazelwood's *Bride* and *The Vampire Diaries*.

**Author Biography**

**NAVESSA ALLEN** is the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of the Into Darkness series and other romances. She lives on the East Coast with her husband and their spoiled cats.



## The Unknown

**A totally gripping, unputdownable and heart-pounding thriller**

**Riley Sager**

### Keynote

**The next twisty, tension-filled, dizzying thriller from the master of suspense. You'll never guess what's coming next.**

### Description

**In 1926, five women disappeared from a remote island in Vermont. Now, one hundred years later, it's happening again.**

Struggling actress Marin Keane is shocked when she lands a role in a major motion picture about the unsolved mystery of New Avalon, an island on sprawling Lake Faraday in Vermont. She's even more surprised when she learns that the role requires a weeklong research trip to that very spot.

Because New Avalon isn't your ordinary island. A century ago, it was a commune for spiritual mediums-until they all vanished in 1926. The only trace of them was five dresses hanging from the branches of an old oak tree in the middle of the island, one for each missing woman. Some locals say they simply left. Others think they were murdered. But the prevailing opinion, thanks to a diary left behind by one of the vanished, a young woman named Daisy Rue, is that a séance gone wrong conjured something supernatural that took them all one by one.

Not long after arriving, Marin and her castmates, including legendary actress Violet Wright and white-hot director Ronan Peters, begin to realize all is not right with New Avalon. They hear strange noises in the night and notice mysterious symbols left behind by the island's previous occupants. And after a sudden health emergency leaves Marin, Ronan, and the other actors stranded on the island, the disappearances begin again.

Is it the work of someone trying to derail the movie? Or is the island's alleged supernatural past catching up with the present? As fear and suspicion mount, Marin turns to Daisy's diary, hoping it holds the key to figuring out what really happened to the women of New Avalon-and how to keep the island's terrible history from repeating itself.

### Sales Points

- **INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER:** Riley Sager is a multiple and instant *New York Times* bestseller, whose sales are growing rapidly in both the US and the UK. His most recent novels - *Middle of the Night*, *The Only One Left*, and *The House Across the Lake* were all instant *NYT* bestsellers.
- **HUGE NEW CAMPAIGN FOCUS:** The publishing team is re-focusing the Riley Sager UK campaign and putting a big, splashy marketing campaign in place. Riley Sager is a huge success already in the US, and we are looking to match this in the UK & commonwealth moving forward, including analysing the Riley Sager covers and branding.
- **COMMERCIAL HOOK:** Riley is working at his very best at this stage in his career, and this is yet another spooky, on-the-edge-of-your-seat thriller that will appeal widely to readers. And - as with any and all Riley novels - has a brilliant twist. His writing is gripping, addictive and stands out amongst his peers as feeling truly original with each new book.
- **STRONG PRAISE:** Riley has an impressive raft of author and press endorsements. His fans include Freida McFadden, David Baldacci and Lee Child, among many more.
- **GROWING UK PRESENCE:** Riley's sales are already on the rise book-on-book in the UK, with his most recent hardback, *Middle of The Night*, accruing over double the pre-orders of the previous, showing that his readership in the UK is expanding all the time. He has a dedicated fanbase which has expanded from love on TikTok/BookTok.

### Author Biography

Riley Sager is the *New York Times* bestselling author of ten novels, most recently *With a Vengeance*, *Middle of the Night* and *The Only One Left*.

His novels have been published in 40 countries, with more than 4 million copies sold worldwide. *The Unknown* is his latest book.

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

Publication date **Tuesday, August 04, 2026**

Price **£15.99 / ₹799**

Main Identifier **9781399742139**

Thema 1.6 **Psychological thriller (FHX) Political / legal thriller (FHP) Crime and mystery: hard-boiled crime, noir fiction (FFL)**

Binding **Trade Paperback**

Format **Royal**

Extent **368 pages**

Word Count

Illustrations **N/A**

Exclusively for Sale **Cw (ex UK, Can); Ire**

Not for Sale **Can; UK; USA**

Author living in **Princeton, New Jersey**

### Previous Titles

Final Girls  
Last Time I Lied  
Lock Every Door  
Home Before Dark  
Survive the Night  
The House Across the Lake  
The Only One Left  
Middle of the Night

1st Serial **Refer to Publisher**

2nd Serial **Refer to Publisher**

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## 31 Inventions that Built Our World FROM THE SUNDAY TIMES #1 BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF A HISTORY OF THE WORLD IN 47 BORDERS

**Jonn Elledge**

### Keynote

A fascinating delve into the history of the city, by the #1 bestselling author of *A History of the World in 47 Borders*

### Description

For over 10,000 years, the human race has been busy altering our environment and embracing 'progress', evolving seamlessly from hunter gatherers to the modern urban sophisticates we see ourselves as today.

But what are the ideas and inventions that enabled humanity to become, by the early 21st century, a majority urban species for the first time? How did the essential infrastructure of modern life - the innovations that we barely even notice, but without which our world would fall apart - happen?

With his characteristic wit and boundless curiosity, Jonn Elledge invites us to join him on a fascinating and often surprising tour of the ideas and technologies that made modernity possible. From elevators to electric lighting, street numbering to sewers, he guides us through the history of civilisation itself.

### Sales Points

- **#1 bestselling author:** *A History of the World in 47 Borders* is an ongoing bestseller, and shot to #1 in the *Sunday Times* paperback bestseller list
- **A global perspective:** Includes inventions and stories from cities all over the world
- **Strong social media following:** Jonn Elledge's Substack, *The Newsletter of (Not Quite) Everything* has a large and devoted following
- **Well-connected author:** Jonn Elledge's previous books have garnered effusive praise from the likes of Marina Hyde, Miranda Sawyer, Tom Holland, Robert Webb, Ahir Shah, Gideon Defoe, Patrick Maguire, Ian Martin (*The Thick of It*) and more

### Author Biography

Jonn Elledge is a *New Statesman* and *New World* columnist, a regular on the podcasts *Oh God, What Now?* and the late, lamented *Paper Cuts*, and a frequent contributor to *The i Paper*, the *Guardian* and assorted other publications. He was previously an assistant editor at the *New Statesman*, where he created and ran its urbanism-focused CityMetric site, spending six happy years writing about cities, maps and borders and hosting the *Skylines* podcast. He has written three books, as well as over 200 editions of the *Newsletter of (Not Quite) Everything*. He lives in London, with the best dog in the world.

Publication date	<b>Thursday, August 27, 2026</b>
Price	<b>£16.99 / ₹799</b>
Main Identifier	<b>9781035432776</b>
Thema 1.6	<b>Historical geography (NHTP) History of other geographical groupings and regions or specific cultures / societies / groups / peoples (NHQ) Biography and non-fiction prose (DN)</b>
Binding	<b>Trade Paperback</b>
Format	<b>Royal</b>
Extent	<b>368 pages</b>
Word Count	
Illustrations	<b>N/A</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>Cw (ex UK, Can); Ire</b>
Not for Sale	<b>Can; UK; USA</b>
Book locale	<b>Worldwide</b>
Author born in	<b>Dagenham, London</b>
Author living in	<b>London</b>
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Undramatised (straight) reading	<b>Headline Publishing Group</b>
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## Cujo a chilling classic from the No. 1 bestseller

Stephen King

### Keynote

Don't miss this new retro edition of Stephen King's classic novel with a nostalgia-inducing cover, which sees a mother and son trapped in a car by a rabid dog.

### Description

King's classic tale of survival sees a young mother and her son trapped in a car by a horrifyingly familiar monster.

*Once upon a time, not so long ago, a monster came to the small town of Castle Rock, Maine . . .*

Cujo is a huge Saint Bernard dog, the best friend Brett Camber has ever had. Then one day Cujo chases a rabbit into a bolt-hole. Except it isn't a rabbit warren any more. It is a cave inhabited by rabid bats.

And Cujo falls sick. Very sick. And the gentle giant who once protected the family becomes a vortex of horror inexorably drawing in all the people around him . . .

### Sales Points

- **NEWLY RELEASED WITH ORIGINAL ARTWORK:** The new cover look and supported marketing will reach out to a new generation of readers yet to discover King.
- **ALWAYS-ON CORELIST PROMOTION:** King's backlist is promoted through the year to maintain a high awareness of King's catalogue.
- **IDEAL FOR COLLECTORS AND NEW READERS:** Cujo will be re-released alongside six other titles including *Pet Sematary* and *Firestarter*.
- **RETRO-VINTAGE:** King's classics are both timeless and of their time, appealing also to viewers of series such as *STRANGER THINGS* and *IT: WELCOME TO DERRY*

### Reviews

- 'Not since Dickens has a writer had so many readers by the throat' - *Guardian*
- 'King at his best . . . a winner!' - *The New York Times*
- 'King is unbeatable' - *Mirror*

### Author Biography

STEPHEN KING is the author of more than seventy books, all of them worldwide bestsellers. His recent titles include *Fairy Tale*, *Holly*, and *If It Bleeds*, all number one *Sunday Times* bestsellers.

Many of his titles are the basis for major motion pictures including *IT*, *Stand By Me* (adapted from *The Body*) and *The Shawshank Redemption*, which is IMDb's top-rated movie of all time.

King is the recipient of *The Sunday Times* Award for Literary Excellence 2022, the 2020 Audio Publishers Association Lifetime Achievement Award, the 2018 PEN America Literary Service Award, the 2014 National Medal of Arts, and the 2003 National Book Foundation Medal for Distinguished Contribution to American Letters. He lives in Maine, with his wife, novelist Tabitha King.

Publication date	Friday, August 28, 2026
Price	£10.99 / ₹699
Main Identifier	9781399765312
Thema 1.6	Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA) Thriller / suspense fiction (FH) Horror, ghost stories and supernatural fiction (FK)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	432 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Book locale	USA
Author born in	Portland, Maine
Author living in	Bangor, Maine

### Previous Titles

Include *CHRISTINE*, *DOCTOR SLEEP*, *FIRESTARTER*, *'SALEM'S LOT*, *THE SHINING*, *THE STAND*, *THE OUTSIDER*, *THE INSTITUTION*

1st Serial	refer to publisher
2nd Serial	refer to publisher
Audio	Hodder
Dramatisation and documentary	refer to publisher
Electronic	Hodder
Film and TV	Rand Holston Management
Large print	Hodder
Podcast	refer to publisher
Translation	The Lotts Agency
Undramatised (straight) reading	refer to publisher
US	S&S US (Gallery)

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## Pet Sematary

### An iconic chiller from the No. 1 bestseller

#### Stephen King

#### Keynote

Don't miss this new retro edition of Stephen King's classic novel with a nostalgia-inducing cover.

#### Description

King's iconic, beloved classic is 'so beautifully paced that you cannot help but be pulled in' *Guardian*.

'SOMETIMES ... DEAD IS BETTER'

The house looked right, felt right to Dr Louis Creed.

Rambling, old, unsmart and comfortable. A place where the family could settle; the children grow and play and explore. The rolling hills and meadows of Maine seemed a world away from the fume-choked dangers of Chicago.

Only the occasional big truck out on the two-lane highway, grinding up through the gears, hammering down the long gradients, growled out an intrusive threat.

But behind the house and far away from the road: that was safe. Just a carefully cleared path up into the woods where generations of local children have processed with the solemn innocence of the young, taking with them their dear departed pets for burial.

**A sad place maybe, but safe. Surely a safe place. Not a place to seep into your dreams, to wake you, sweating with fear and foreboding.**

#### Sales Points

- **ICONIC FILM:** Pet Sematary was made into a major motion picture by Paramount Pictures which starred John Lithgow, Jason Clarke, and Amy Seimetz.
- Includes a fascinating INTRODUCTION by Stephen King about the inspiration behind the novel
- **NEWLY RELEASED WITH ORIGINAL ARTWORK:** The retro cover look and supported marketing will reach out to a new generation of readers yet to discover King.
- **ALWAYS-ON CORELIST PROMOTION:** King's backlist is promoted through the year to maintain a high awareness of King's catalogue.
- **IDEAL FOR COLLECTORS AND NEW READERS:** Cujo will be re-released alongside six other titles including Cujo and Firestarter.

#### Reviews

- 'King can make the flesh creep half a world away' - *The Times*
- 'So beautifully paced that you cannot help but be pulled in' - *Guardian*
- 'The most frightening novel Stephen King has ever written' - *Publisher's Weekly*
- 'Wild, powerful, disturbing' - *Washington Post Book Review*

#### Author Biography

STEPHEN KING is the author of more than seventy books, all of them worldwide bestsellers. His recent titles include *Fairy Tale*, *Holly*, and *If It Bleeds*, all number one *Sunday Times* bestsellers.

Many of his titles are the basis for major motion pictures including *IT*, *Stand By Me* (adapted from *The Body*) and *The Shawshank Redemption*, which is IMDb's top-rated movie of all time.

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Publication date	Friday, August 28, 2026
Price	£12.99 / ₹699
Main Identifier	9781399765305
Thema 1.6	<b>Literary studies: fiction, novelists and prose writers (DSK)</b> <b>Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA)</b> <b>Classic fiction: literary and general (FBC)</b> <b>Thriller / suspense fiction (FH)</b> <b>Horror, ghost stories and supernatural fiction (FK)</b>
Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
Format	<b>B Format</b>
Extent	<b>480 pages</b>
Word Count	
Illustrations	<b>N/A</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>Cw; Ire; UK</b>
Not for Sale	<b>Can; USA</b>
Book locale	<b>USA</b>
Author born in	<b>Portland, Maine</b>
Author living in	<b>Bangor, Maine</b>
<b>Previous Titles</b>	
Include THE SHINING, MISERY, CUJO, THE OUTSIDER, IT	
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Dramatisation and documentary	<b>refer to publisher</b>
Electronic	<b>Hodder</b>
Film and TV	<b>Rand Holston Management</b>
Large print	<b>Hodder</b>
Podcast	<b>refer to publisher</b>
Translation	<b>The Lotts Agency</b>
Undramatised (straight) reading	<b>refer to publisher</b>
US	<b>Scribner</b>



## 'Salem's Lot A RETRO PAPERBACK EDITION

Stephen King

### Keynote

Don't miss this new retro edition of Stephen King's classic novel with a nostalgia-inducing cover, set in a small new England town about to be engulfed in terror.

### Description

A chilling classic from the No. 1 bestseller.

'Salem's Lot is a small New England town with white clapboard houses, tree-lined streets and solid church steeples. Of course there are tales of strange happenings - but no more than in any other such town.

Ben Mears has returned to the Lot to write a novel and exorcise the terrors that have haunted him since childhood - since the event he witnessed at the Marsten House.

He finds the house has been rented by a newcomer, a man who causes Ben some unease. And then things start to happen: a child disappears, a dog is brutally killed - nothing unusual, except the list keeps growing...

### Sales Points

- **A PERENNIAL CLASSIC:** perhaps one of the greatest vampire novels of all time.
- **RELEASED AS A KING CLASSIC HARDBACK WITH AN INTRODUCTION BY JOE HILL** in October 2025 to mark the 50th anniversary of release.
- Released as **AN ACCLAIMED FILM** in 2024 by Warner.
- **IDEAL FOR COLLECTORS AND NEW READERS:** Will be re-released alongside six other titles including *Pet Sematary* and *Firestarter*.
- **NEWLY RELEASED WITH ORIGINAL ARTWORK:** The retro cover look and supported marketing will reach out to a new generation of readers yet to discover King.

### Reviews

- 'Mr. King's gift of storytelling is unrivaled. His ferocious imagination is unlimited' - George Pelecanos
- 'Hugely impressive' - *Guardian*
- 'One of the few horror writers who can truly make the flesh creep' - *Sunday Express*

### Author Biography

STEPHEN KING is the author of more than seventy books, all of them worldwide bestsellers. His recent titles include *Fairy Tale*, *Holly*, and *If It Bleeds*, all number one *Sunday Times* bestsellers.

Many of his titles are the basis for major motion pictures including *IT*, *Stand By Me* (adapted from *The Body*) and *The Shawshank Redemption*, which is IMDb's top-rated movie of all time.

King is the recipient of *The Sunday Times* Award for Literary Excellence 2022, the 2020 Audio Publishers Association Lifetime Achievement Award, the 2018 PEN America Literary Service Award, the 2014 National Medal of Arts, and the 2003 National Book Foundation Medal for Distinguished Contribution to American Letters. He lives in Maine, with his wife, novelist Tabitha King.

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Thema 1.6	Horror, ghost stories and supernatural fiction (FK) Mythical creatures: Vampires, werewolves and other shapeshifters (VXQM2) Thriller / suspense fiction (FH)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	768 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Author born in	Portland, Maine
Author living in	Bangor, Maine

### Previous Titles

Includes *CHRISTINE*, *DOCTOR SLEEP*, *FIRESTARTER*, *THE SHINING*, *CUJO*, *THE STAND*, *THE OUTSIDER*, *THE INSTITUTE*

1st Serial	refer to publisher
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Undramatised (straight) reading	refer to publisher
US	Doubleday US (Anchor)

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Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
Format	<b>B Format</b>
Extent	<b>480 pages</b>
Word Count	
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Book locale	<b>USA</b>
Author born in	<b>Portland, Maine</b>
Author living in	<b>Bangor, Maine</b>

#### Previous Titles

Include CARRIE, FIRESTARTER, CHRISTINE, FROM A BUICK 8, ON WRITING, THE DARK TOWER SERIES, UNDER THE DOME

1st Serial	<b>refer to publisher</b>
2nd Serial	<b>refer to publisher</b>
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## The Dead Zone

### An iconic chiller from the No. 1 bestseller

Stephen King

#### Keynote

Don't miss this new retro edition of Stephen King's classic novel with a nostalgia-inducing cover.

#### Description

The two things that conjured up that horrible night, were his run of luck at the Wheel of Fortune, and the mask...

Meet Johnny Smith. A young man whose streak of luck ends dramatically in a major car crash. Followed by blackness. A long, long time in cold limbo.

When he wakes up life has been turned upside down. His fiancée has met someone else. And Johnny is cursed with the power to perceive evil in men's souls. He's had these hunches since he had an ice-skating accident as a child. Now he has an ability to see into the future. An ability which will bring him into a terrifying confrontation with a charismatic, power-hungry and dangerous man . . .

#### Sales Points

- Stephen King's **FAN-FAVOURITE** thriller about a young man with a dangerous ability.
- **ADAPTED INTO FILM:** starring Christopher Walken.
- **ALWAYS-ON CORELIST PROMOTION:** King's backlist is promoted through the year to maintain a high awareness of King's catalogue.
- **NEWLY RELEASED WITH ORIGINAL ARTWORK:** The retro cover look and supported marketing will reach out to a new generation of readers yet to discover King.
- **IDEAL FOR COLLECTORS AND NEW READERS:** Will be re-released alongside six other titles including Pet Sematary and Firestarter.

#### Reviews

- 'Read this stunning novel and you will feel the hairs on the nape of your neck rise.' - *Time Out*
- 'Ominous and nerve-wracking.' - *New York Times*
- 'The indisputable King of horror.' - *Time*

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**REVIEWS**

‘Bora Lee Reed has written a beautifully told, beautifully constructed chronicle not just of war, but of growing up, of storytelling and survival, of the ties that bind both blood family and found family. *Song For Another Home* is timely, wide-ranging, immersive historical fiction and a magnificent debut’ - Laurie Frankel, author of *This is How it Always is*

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# Song for Another Home

BORA LEE REED

**KEYNOTE**

A powerful and expansive story of one family separated by the Korean War, for fans of *Pachinko* and *Homegoing*

**SALES POINTS**

- Author is a 2023 Reese Witherspoon LitUp Fellow and the joint publication with S&S US will be supported by a marketing commitment from Reese's team
- Propulsive and heartwarming historical family drama for fans of *Pachinko* (166K TCM), *The Mountains Sing* (32K TCM) and *Wandering Souls* (30K TCM)

**DESCRIPTION**

1950, Pyongyang. Oksoon's father - confident that the war is over - has left for Seoul in search of opportunity. There is nothing to do but wait, until the Chinese army attacks and forces Oksoon, her mother and her brother to flee southward themselves. But the journey is dangerous, and wartime makes enemies of even the kindest of friends.

Meanwhile, Oksoon's cousin Junho has found uncertain refuge in a struggling orphanage near the southern coast. When the orphanage director's rich niece arrives, harbouring a secret, Junho must choose between his duty and his dreams if they are all to survive.

Full of heart and rich in history, *Song for Another Home* is an unforgettable portrait of resilience, courage, friendship and love that endures.

**AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY**

Bora Lee Reed was born in Seoul, South Korea and lives in California. She holds an MFA in Creative Writing, an MA in Theology and a BA in English. In 2023, she was selected as a Reese's LitUp Fellow. *Song for Another Home* is her first novel.

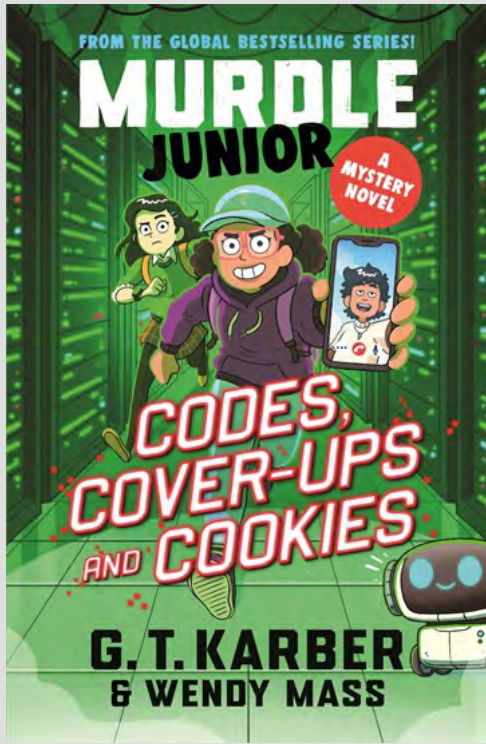
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**REVIEWS**

‘\*PRAISE FOR *MURDLE JUNIOR*: *CURIOUS CRIMES FOR CURIOUS MINDS\**’ - :

‘Immersive puzzle and mystery-solving fun that’s guaranteed to keep them busy over the festive period’ - *Woman & Home*

‘Perfect for kids who enjoy piecing together clues and working out mysteries . . . If you’re looking for a book that both entertains and challenges young minds, *Murdle Junior* is an excellent choice’ - *Irish News*

‘An exciting new book of perplexing puzzle mysteries for young detectives aged 9 to 12 years’ - *Irish Times*

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# Murdle Junior Mysteries: Codes, Cover-ups and Cookies

A Mystery Novel

G. T. KARBER

**KEYNOTE**

The second *Murdle Junior* novel from the global bestselling series, with puzzles to solve as you read!

**SALES POINTS**

- The second *Murdle Junior* novel for young readers aged 9 to 12 years in the series that has sold **over 1.3 MILLION copies!**
- *Murdle* won 2023 Waterstones Gift of the Year and the British Book Awards 2024 Overall Book of the Year.
- G. T. Karber is an unstoppable ball of energy beloved by fans of puzzles and crime fiction!

**DESCRIPTION**

A new *Murdle Junior* novel from the bestselling *Murdle* puzzle series!

Junior detective Olivia is the greatest computer programmer in the world, so she’s extremely excited to be spending the summer working at her father’s company. TekCo Futures’ latest invention, the MORIARTY Supercomputer, is a powerful and definitely safe artificial intelligence that most people believe will save the world.

Olivia’s biggest problem is her arch-rival, Hazel Brown, whose father also works at TekCo. But when VP Brown collapses in the MORIARTY room, Olivia and Hazel must team up to find out whodunnit... Was it Technologist Turquoise in the server rows? Janitor Salmon in the Metaverse? Or could it have been MORIARTY itself?

Find out as you unravel the mystery alongside Olivia and Hazel in this new *Murdle Junior* adventure!

**AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY**

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

**Wendy Mass** is a New York Times bestselling children’s author. Her first book was *A Mango-Shaped Space*, and since then she has written thirty-one novels for young people. Wendy lives in New Jersey with her family.

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Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
Format	<b>B Format</b>
Extent	<b>304 pages</b>
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Illustrations	<b>N/A</b>
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Author living in	<b>Los Angeles</b>

#### Previous Titles

*Elsewhere* (2005)  
*The Hole We're In* (2010)  
*The Storied Life of A. J. Fikry* (2014)  
*Young Jane Young* (2017)  
*Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow* (2022)

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## Margarettown the sparkling debut by the bestselling author of Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow

**Gabrielle Zevin**

#### Keynote

**A quirky, heartfelt love story like no other: the kaleidoscopic debut novel from the bestselling author of *Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow***

#### Description

**'Gabrielle Zevin has an incredible gift for story telling. . . I am forever amazed . . . this is my new favourite' 5-star reader review**

The day he first meets Maggie is the day N. understands what it is to be in love. Deeply, wildly, terminally in love.

What he doesn't know is that loving Maggie means loving the many women who make up her family: Old Margaret, Marge, Maggie, Mia and May, five women of different ages, all living together in a house called Margaron, in a place called Margarettown.

Because nothing in Maggie's world is quite like anywhere else...

Romantic, funny and wildly original, *Margarettown* is a fable about the many faces of love. It is the story of what it takes to love the same person for a lifetime - and the impossibility of really knowing who it is we have come to love.

**'Strange, quirky and brilliantly written' 5-star reader review**

**'This book was magical' 5-star reader review**

**'Unlike any book I have ever read before . . . one of my favourites' 5-star reader review**

**'Another amazingly intricate novel. . . [Gabrielle Zevin] continues to delight me!' 5-star reader review**

#### Sales Points

- **FROM THE AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR OF A BESTSELLING SENSATION:** Zevin's latest novel *Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow* has become a global phenomenon - now readers can rediscover her sparkling debut.
- **A HEARTFELT, IMAGINATIVE BOOK CLUB READ:** with Gabrielle Zevin's signature high-concept flair and an amazing emotional punch, this is a readable and conversation-starting story exploring mental illness and identity, with a unique romance at its heart
- **FOR LOVERS OF:** *The Time Traveller's Wife*, *The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue* or *Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind* - but with a story line that is as shamelessly loving as *The Notebook*.

#### Reviews

- 'Chasing after the idea of what it means to be in love with one person (do you love all of them? or just one?). A droll piece of romantic whimsy, with an unexpected resonance' - *Kirkus (starred)*

#### Author Biography

Gabrielle Zevin's most recent novel, *Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow*, spent over a year on the *New York Times* Best Seller List and was chosen a best book of the year by more than twenty-five publications, including the *Atlantic*, the *Washington Post*, *Entertainment Weekly*, *Time*, the *New York Times*, *Slate*, the *Hollywood Reporter*, and *Oprah Daily*. In 2024, *Tomorrow* was named to the *New York Times* list of the 100 Best Books of the 21st Century. She is the author of several critically acclaimed and bestselling novels, including *The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry*, *Young Jane Young*, *The Hole We're In*, and *Elsewhere*. Her books have been translated into over forty languages. She lives in Los Angeles.



## The Nine Lives of a Bookshop Cat

**Kentaro Utsugi**  
Translated by **Sylvia Gallagher**

### Keynote

**Winner of the Japan Fantasy Award 2024 - A cat in his ninth life goes to live in a bookshop with four other cats who also once belonged to famous writers**

### Description

**In his third life, Kinnosuke belonged to a famous author.**

Now, in his ninth, he wants nothing more to do with humans, who bring nothing but trouble and suffering. Drawn to the city in search of food, he comes across the Hokuto-do Bookshop, owned by a curious woman who has already given a home to four contented cats.

Soon Kinnosuke begins to notice the shop's quirks: there are few customers, but it never goes out of business. No stock is ordered, but it never runs out of books. And the other cats also belonged to famous authors in previous lives. If he wants to know more of its secrets, he will have to reveal his own about the life he shared with the author.

At first, he is reluctant, but when a young aspiring writer faces tragedy, Kinnosuke is drawn into her struggle, confronting the bookshop's hidden past to help keep her dream alive.

**Translated from the Japanese by Sylvia Gallagher**

### Sales Points

- Winner of the Japan Fantasy Award 2024
- The perfect blend of the Japanese cat and bookshop trends, drawing on folklore and legend and offering a history of Japan from the late 18th century to the present day through the cat protagonist's nine lives
- Rights also sold in China, Taiwan, Thailand, Korea, France, Spain, Italy, Greece, Romania, Hungary, Turkey and Estonia

### Author Biography

Kentaro Utsugi is from Koshigaya, Saitama Prefecture. He grew up in a house surrounded by books, and before he knew it, he started writing novels. His first novel, *The Forest Calls*, was published in 2021. *The Nine Lives of a Bookshop Cat* won the Japan Fantasy Novel Grand Prize 2024, judged, among others, by the author Tomihiko Morimi.

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Binding	<b>Trade Paperback</b>
Format	<b>Demy</b>
Extent	<b>256 pages</b>
Word Count	
Illustrations	<b>N/A</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>UK; World</b>
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Dramatisation and documentary	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
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## Psychotic Obsession

Leigh Rivers

### Keynote

From *USA Today* bestselling author and TikTok sensation comes the steamy, emotional dark romance spin-off that everyone is talking about!

### Description

From *USA Today* bestselling author and TikTok sensation comes the steamy, emotional dark romance spin-off that everyone is talking about!

'Filled with **TENSION, HEARTBREAK** and **ELECTRIC CHEMISTRY**. This one will tear your heart right out of your chest before tossing it back in and sewing you up' **No. 1 New York Times bestselling author Brynne Weaver**

'Leigh Rivers is **THE QUEEN OF DARK ROMANCE**. Her books are deeply emotive and her characters feel so vividly real' **Tierney Page**

***Love is dangerous. Trust is a weakness. Possession is a toxic game.***

Sweet and gentle, calm and collected, nervous and inexperienced, Tobias Mitchell was death cloaked in the form of a handsome man. But, instead of running the other way, she fell for him.

Aria Miller is a scientist researching rare genetic diseases when her world is tilted off its axis, and she collides with Tobias. When she takes him on as her assistant, he becomes infatuated with her in ways he can't comprehend.

When reality hits and Aria is forced to leave the country, Tobias is faced with the thought of losing the object of his desire. His mask slips, showing her his true self for the first time.

Aria is his, and he'll do anything to make sure she stays that way.

*Psychotic Obsession is a prequel set before the Edge of Darkness trilogy. It can be read as a standalone but is recommended to be read after.*

*This is a dark romance and contains explicit sexual content and difficult themes. Please read the content warnings before reading. Recommended 18+.*

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### Readers love the Edge of Darkness trilogy!

'An absolute **must-read**. The **chemistry** between Kade and Stacey, the **secrets**, and the **mouth-watering spice** are perfect' **Natasha K. Lauren**

'**Sexy, angsty, and deliciously dark**. Impossible to put down' **Allie Oleander**

'This series is **CONSUMING** my soul'

'The love story of Kade and Stacey is one that will **linger in my heart for years to come**'

### Tropes:

- Workplace romance
- Doctor x Assistant
- Forbidden romance
- Love triangle
- Non-HEA (for now!)

### Sales Points

- **GENRE ON THE RISE:** Dark romance is a hugely profitable readership that we haven't always been able to tap into due to content issues. However, Leigh's titles are the perfect introduction titles for readers that are new to the genre; hitting the classic tropes this audience loves whilst still incorporating an emotional, sweeping love story.
- **TIKTOK SENSATION:** the Edge of Darkness series and Leigh Rivers herself are hugely popular on TikTok, loved by BookTokers and Bookstagrammers and is widely known as 'the best dark romance series', so there is huge potential for us to grow the series and author even further in our markets.
- **READERSHIP/COMPS:** Perfect for fans of H. D. Carlton, Penelope Douglas and Rina Kent.

### Reviews

- "Filled with tension, heartbreak and electric chemistry. This one will tear your heart

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Extent	<b>352 pages</b>
Word Count	<b>100000 words</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>Cw; Ire; UK</b>
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### Previous Titles

The Edge of Darkness trilogy (*Insatiable, Voracious, Restitution*); *Psychotic Obsession*; The Web of Silence Duet (*Little Stranger, Little Liar*)

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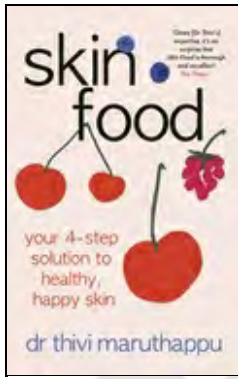
### Author Biography

*USA Today* and international bestseller Leigh Rivers is a Scottish Biomedical Scientist who has ventured into the world of writing dark, morally gray characters with rollercoaster storylines to drive her readers wild. When she isn't reading, writing on her laptop, or gaming until ridiculous hours, she dances at the pole studio, goes to the gym, and walks her four dogs with her two sons and husband.

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## SkinFood

### Your 4-Step Solution to Healthy, Happy Skin

Dr Thivi Maruthappu

#### Keynote

A holistic skincare guide from a consultant dermatologist and nutritionist that offers practical advice on how to leverage the powerful relationship between skin and food to improve the overall health and appearance of your skin.

#### Description

<H3> 'Thorough and excellent' *The Times*

We all want a healthy, glowing complexion, but are we going about it the right way?</H3>

Our skin is influenced by many different factors, from our individual genetics to stress, and nutrition to sleep. Each one of these is a piece of a puzzle. Over a decade of treating patients, consultant dermatologist and registered nutritionist Dr Thivi Maruthappu has found that each piece counts. When it comes to our skin we need to start taking a more holistic view, which is why Dr Thivi has devised an innovative, science-backed way to help you achieve the skin that you want: the 4-Step Skin Solution.

Building on pioneering research into the powerful links between the gut microbiome and the skin, Dr Thivi's unique approach prioritises skin health while also helping you to feel great along the way. *SkinFood* will also explore the importance of the mind-body connection and its vital role in supporting our skin, as well as offer advice on how to develop a bespoke skincare routine that includes ingredients that work for you.

With over forty delicious, tried-and-tested SkinFood recipes designed to target a number of concerns - including acne, ageing well, rosacea, psoriasis and eczema - and in-depth, tailored advice, *SkinFood* aims to replicate a conversation you might have in a dermatologist's clinic to help you put your skin health at the top of the agenda.

#### Sales Points

- **POPULAR SUBJECT:** There is a huge appetite and interest in skincare with the UK skincare industry alone estimated to be worth £26.7 billion in 2022.
- **DOUBLE EXPERT AUTHOR:** As both a consultant dermatologist and registered nutritionist, Dr Thivi is uniquely qualified to write about the complex relationship between our diet and our skin.
- **UNIQUE APPROACH:** Thivi has devised an innovative, science-backed approach to skin health - the 4-Step Skin Solution - that centres on the powerful relationship between nutrition and skin.

#### Author Biography

**Dr Thivi Maruthappu MA PhD FRCP ANutr** is a consultant dermatologist, nutritionist and leading researcher. As the UK's first and only dual-qualified dermatologist and nutritionist, her pioneering expertise bridges the gap between diet and skin health. Dr Thivi works in the NHS and has her own practice based at London's renowned Cleveland Clinic. She is frequently invited as a keynote speaker for healthcare professionals and organisations globally on the topic of nutrition and skin, and also conducts research at King's College, London.

Dr Thivi studied medicine at Oxford University and completed her dermatology training in London. She undertook a PhD to understand the links between our skin and internal health and her research was featured in the scientific press. She completed further training in severe eczema and psoriasis at St John's Institute of Dermatology, London, and achieved a certificate in nutrition science from Stanford Medical School, USA. Over the course of her career, Dr Thivi has garnered numerous academic awards, scholarships and prizes from organisations such as the British Association of Dermatologists, the British Society for Dermatology Research and the Royal Society of Medicine.

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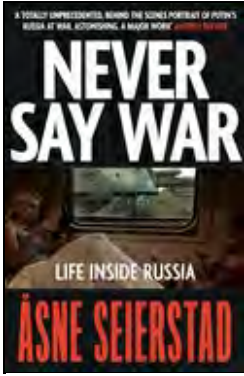
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## Never Say War Life Inside Russia - 'Astonishing. A major work' (Antony Beevor)

**Åsne Seierstad**  
Translated by **Siân Mackie**

### Keynote

An intimate yet epic portrait of a much-mythologized and little-understood country, by the award-winning war correspondent and bestselling author of *The Bookseller of Kabul*

### Description

**'A totally unprecedented, behind the scenes portrait of Putin's Russia at war. Astonishing. A major work' ANTONY BEEVOR**

Putin's Russia silences its citizens, targets foreign journalists and invaded a neighbouring country - while declaring it illegal to say the country is at war. This is what we know from the outside: but what does it feel like on the inside?

The way into this question, for bestselling author and journalist Åsne Seierstad, was young Russian soldier Andrey Medvedev, who defected from the infamous Wagner Group and sought asylum in Norway in January 2023. He was three years old when Putin rose to power and his life story mirrors the transformation of his country. And as Åsne dug deeper into his family and connections, more and more of Russian society opened up to her, from teachers and farmers to reporters and women left behind by soldiers at war.

Drawing upon Åsne's deep knowledge of Russia and her unparalleled access to the country, *Never Say War: Russian Lives Today* paints an intimate yet epic portrait of a much-mythologized and little-understood country. With Åsne's characteristic eye for narrative and detail, she takes us behind closed doors and illuminates the lives of individuals, helping us think about vital questions: how did present-day Russia come to be? And how are some Russians looking to change the future of their country?

**'An exquisite work of on-the-ground reportage conjuring all the violence, injustice and contradiction of wartime Russia. Novelistic-in-scope, insightful and humane' HOWARD AMOS, author of *Russia Starts Here: Real Lives in the Ruin of Empire***

**'What kind of man enlists to fight in Ukraine? A Russian soldier who runs from Wagner to seek asylum in Norway tells his heart-wrenching story to Åsne Seierstad. A necessary read' JANA BAKUNINA, author of *The Good Russian: In Search of a Nation's Soul***

### Praise for Åsne Seierstad:

'The supreme non-fiction writer of her generation' Luke Harding

'One of the greatest, most courageous journalists of our time' Eric Schlosser, author of *Fast Food Nation*

'Seierstad manages to achieve a rare intimacy' *New York Times* on *The Afghans*

'Both a masterpiece and a masterclass in investigative journalism' Christina Lamb on *Two Sisters*

### Sales Points

- **STRONG PR TRACK RECORD** of high profile festival and broadcast invites
- **AUTHOR EXPERTISE** Asne has studied, lived and worked in Russia on and off since the early 1990s and is completely fluent, so has a rare ability to gain access to this country and its people
- **NORWEGIAN SUCCESS:** The book has already won two prizes in Norway (where it came out last autumn) and sales there are on par with *The Bookseller of Kabul*
- **STRONG VIRAGO SALES TRACK:** Virago has sold 250,000 copies of THE BOOKSELLER OF KABUL and almost 350,000 of her books total
- **AIMING FOR STRONG ENDORSEMENTS** We will be approaching a wide range of authors and fans from previous books include Luke Harding, Kate Adie and Christina Lamb

### Reviews

- **'Praise for Åsne Seierstad:**  
'Åsne Seierstad is the supreme non-fiction writer of her generation' Luke Harding  
'An intimate portrait of Afghani people quite unlike any other' Sunday Times on *The Bookseller of Kabul*  
'Has the feel of a non-fiction novel - irresistible' New York Times on *One of Us*  
'Hauntingly written, this book is both a masterpiece and a masterclass in investigative

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### Author Biography

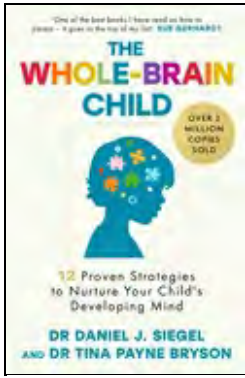
Åsne Seierstad is an award-winning war correspondent and writer, best known for *The Bookseller of Kabul*, which has sold over two million copies. She first visited Russia in 1990, ahead of beginning studies in the Russian language in what was then Leningrad, now St. Petersburg. She reported on the country throughout the 90s and lived between Moscow and Grozny from 2006-7 while researching her book *The Angel of Grozny: Life Inside Chechnya*. Between 2023 and 2024, she made five extended trips to Russia that form the basis of her latest book. Her insights are invaluable in understanding the past, present and future of a behemothian country that concerns us all.



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## The Whole-Brain Child 12 Proven Strategies to Nurture Your Child's Developing Mind

**Dr. Daniel J. Siegel, Dr Tina Payne Bryson**

### Keynote

**Over 2 million copies sold - a pioneering and practical book for parents that explains the new science of how a child's brain is wired and how it matures.**

### Description

In this pioneering, practical book for parents, neuroscientist Daniel J. Siegel and parenting expert Tina Payne Bryson explain the new science of how a child's brain is wired and how it matures, offering hands-on, proven parenting techniques including:

**Name It to Tame It:** Control raging right-brain behaviour through left-brain storytelling.

**Engage, Don't Enrage:** Keep your child thinking and listening, instead of purely reacting.

**Move It or Lose It:** Use physical activities to shift your child's emotional state.

**Let the Clouds of Emotion Roll By:** Teach children that feelings come and go.

**SIFT:** Help children recognise their own **Sensations, Images, Feelings and Thoughts.**

**Connect Through Conflict:** Use discord to encourage empathy and greater social success.

Featuring clear explanations, age-appropriate strategies and illustrations that will help you explain these concepts to your child, *The Whole-Brain Child* will help your children to lead balanced, meaningful and connected lives.

### Sales Points

- Applies cutting-edge science in a very practical form, written in clear 12 strategies that all parents can understand, so they can help their children THRIVE rather than just SURVIVE their development.
- Runaway popularity in the US - radio, tv interviews, and was a No 1 new release in the parenting section on amazon.com when it came out (and that's a big, popular section). There is already growing interest in the author's practical techniques in the UK - e.g. he was recently invited to UK to speak to professional rugby coaches about how they can help train their players to stay focused.

### Reviews

- 'One of the best books I have read on how to parent - it goes to the top of my list!'
- 'Daniel Siegel and Tina Payne Bryson have created a masterful, reader-friendly guide to helping children grow their emotional intelligence. This brilliant method transforms everyday interactions into valuable brain-shaping moments. Anyone who cares for children-or who loves a child-should read.'
- 'Siegel and Bryson reveal that an integrated brain with parts that cooperate in a coordinated and balanced manner creates a better understanding of self, stronger relationships, and success in school, among other benefits. With illustrations, charts, and even a handy "Refrigerator Sheet," the authors have made every effort to make brain science parent-friendly.' - *Publisher's Weekly*
- '"Fears? Fights? Frustrations? Help is here! Daniel Siegel and Tina Payne Bryson turn leading brain science into simple, smart-and effective-solutions to your child's struggles.'

### Author Biography

**Dr Daniel J. Siegel** is a clinical professor of psychiatry at UCLA and executive director of the Mindsight Institute. **Dr Tina Payne Bryson** is a psychotherapist specialising in parenting.

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## Tales of Green Tea Notes from a Centuries-old Kyoto Teahouse

**Miyako Watanabe**  
Translated by Cathy Hirano

### Keynote

A charming collection of essays exploring Japanese tea culture and daily life as the owner of a 300-year old tea shop in the historical city of Kyoto.

### Description

At Ippodo Tea in Kyoto, leaves unfurl in a kyusu teapot as steam rises and water is poured with care. The teahouse hums with activity, but each movement is deliberate and every cup a small ritual.

In *Tales of Green Tea*, Miyako Watanabe, current owner of the 300-year-old tea house, shares moments, encounters and discoveries from a life shaped by tea and tradition.

Following the journey of the leaf - from misty fields where it is grown and hand-picked to the serenity of tea ceremony - Watanabe explores tea's history alongside its place in contemporary culture. The result is a gentle meditation on how a simple cup can hold memory, season and place.

### Sales Points

- Ippodo Tea is one of the most famous tea stores in Japan. The store's Instagram pages @ippodotea and @ippodoteausa respectively have 83,000 and 33,000 followers.
- *Tales of Green Tea* taps into a trend for charming and healing East Asian literature

### Author Biography

Miyako Watanabe was born in Shimane Prefecture in 1953 and graduated from Yokohama's Ferris University. Since marrying into Ippodo Tea, a family-owned tea business that was founded in Kyoto in 1717, she has been working to share the joy of tea both in Japan and around the world.

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# The Infinite State

## The dystopian science fiction epic from the bestselling author of GRAVE EMPIRE

Richard Swan

### Keynote

*Sunday Times* bestselling author Richard Swan is back with a blistering and fraught science fiction epic.

### Description

'Prescient, dark, and ultimately hopeful' **PIERCE BROWN**

'Excellent' **PETER F. HAMILTON**

'A menacing experience' **FONDA LEE**

'Science fiction at its finest' **SUNYI DEAN**

In this brand-new blistering science fiction epic, *Sunday Times* bestselling author Richard Swan presents a thrilling tale of survival and an eviscerating examination of totalitarianism.

### WHO GIVES YOU LIFE?

*PATER AETERNUS.*

Katherine Fuller's husband is dead. As an esteemed member of Pater Aeternus - governing party of the fascist, galaxy-spanning Decurion Empire - he has left behind an estate of immeasurable wealth. And Katherine is going to inherit it.

### WHO GIVES YOU PURPOSE?

*PATER AETERNUS.*

Life under the Eternal Father is rigidly stratified, surveilled, and controlled - each new day to be endured, not lived. But with Katherine's newfound fortune, she is presented with a rare and dangerous opportunity: purchase a virgin world, and create a better, fairer society.

### WHO GIVES YOU JOY?

*PATER AETERNUS.*

But the Empire cannot allow its wayward daughter to succeed. And as Katherine works in secret, recruiting allies she's not even sure she can trust, she will discover exactly how far Pater Aeternus is willing to go to stop her. Because Katherine is going to create something nobody has seen for many years.

A democracy.

**1984 meets *The Man in the High Castle* in gripping sci-fi *The Infinite State* from Richard Swan, which begins at a flashpoint in the lives of a widowed party member, a disgraced investigator, and a hypersled pilot - entangled in a plot to escape the suffocating authority of a fascist state.**

'A thrilling vision of resistance to dystopian fascism' **J.T. GREATHOUSE**

'Absorbing and thought-provoking' **SCOTT DRAKEFORD**

'Richard's writing is scapel-sharp' **NICHOLAS EAMES**

### Sales Points

- **FRESH APPROACH FROM POPULAR AUTHOR:** Richard Swan is known for his successful epic fantasy series, and this is his science fiction debut. Readers will be excited to see something different from him.
- **INTEREST IN DYSTOPIA:** In the wake of Donald Trump's US election victory, reports emerged of a massive spike in dystopian fiction sales. We will be tapping into this renewed interest in the genre with this book.
- **TENSE ATMOSPHERE:** Richard conjures atmosphere like few other writers can, and this new world from him feels alive, fraught and dangerous. It will have readers on the edge of their seats.

### Reviews

- 'Prescient, dark, but ultimately hopeful, *The Infinite State* mauled my heart and kept me reading well into the winnowing hours of the night' - *Pierce Brown, No. 1 New York Times bestselling author of RED RISING*
- '*The Infinite State* is the kind of future that's so horrific you hope in your heart it will never exist. But Richard Swan has made it believable' - *Peter F. Hamilton*
- 'A menacing experience in a despicable galactic empire. I had a great time' - *Fonda Lee, author of THE LAST CONTRACT OF ISAKO and the GREEN BONE SAGA*
- '*The Infinite State* is science fiction at its finest, doing what sci-fi does best: showing us how to build a better future. This book is a reflection of our times, and for our times' -

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### Previous Titles

#### Empire of the Wolf series

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The Trials of Empire - 9780356516509

#### The Great Silence series

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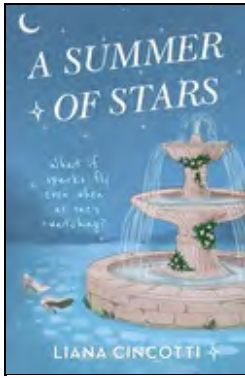
### Author Biography

**Richard Swan** is a *Sunday Times* bestselling genre writer. He is known for his Empire of the Wolf and Great Silence trilogies, as well as the upcoming Decurion Saga. He has also written fiction for Black Library and *Grimdark Magazine*. His work has been translated into nine languages. Richard is a qualified lawyer, and before writing full time spent ten years litigating multimillion pound commercial disputes in London. He currently lives in Sydney with his wife and three young sons.

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## A Summer of Stars

The brand-new, hotly anticipated fake dating romcom from the bestselling author of **PICKING DAISIES ON SUNDAYS**

**Liana Cincotti**

### Keynote

From the author of TikTok sensation *Picking Daisies on Sundays*, *A Summer of Stars* is a brand-new fake-dating romance between a tennis star and a movie star over one scorching summer.

### Description

The unmissable new fake-dating romance from the *USA Today* bestselling author of *Picking Daisies on Sundays*! Pre-order now.

After a messy breakup, it feels like the entire world hates tennis superstar Luna Aldridge. With her reputation ruined and her career at risk, the only way to repair it is a PR stunt: fake-dating Hollywood's golden boy, Kieran Alexander. There's just one problem... Luna can't stand him.

For Kieran, the feeling is mutual. He's about to lead a big-screen love story, but his dating history is jeopardizing the film's success. His team believes the world needs to see him wildly in love. And who better than Luna, the person he loathes most?

Soon, Luna and Kieran spend the summer posing for cameras, sharing red carpets and flying around the world for the tennis circuit. But the more they pretend, the more they question if they can keep their hearts, and their careers, together. Especially with everyone watching...

### Sales Points

- **Building on the success of PICKING DAISIES ON SUNDAYS:** Liana's previous novel, PICKING DAISIES ON SUNDAYS was a huge word-of-mouth sensation on TikTok and Instagram after being originally self-published in July 2023. We've invoiced over 60k copies of the paperback so far, reprinting 18 times since publication.
- **Worldwide fanbase:** We're on twelve rights deals and counting for PICKING DAISIES ON SUNDAYS, and Tara said the German auction was the most competitive one she's had at Orion, with the book an instant German bestseller. In Australia Liana features regularly on Dymock's best of romance tables, and since the US published their paperback edition in February, Liana has featured as a USA Today bestseller seven times. Forever have just gotten her into Walmart, and with their next reprint, they're about to have 100k copies in circulation.
- **The TikTok sensation author:** Liana's USP is that she writes clean and sweet 2000s romcoms-esque romance, which sets her apart in a market that's flooded with dark and spicy romance. She's a marketing professional who does a lot of fantastic content for her books online (her social media following has grown exponentially since we took her on), and she's brilliant at engaging with her fans. The announcement/cover reveal for A SUMMER AND STARS got over 10k likes on Instagram.
- **Romance tropes:** A SUMMER OF STARS has everyone's favourite romance tropes, fake dating and enemies-to-lovers. This is such a fun summer romance between a tennis star and a movie star who need to enter a fake relationship in order to save their images - and keep their sponsors - only to fall in love.

### Author Biography

**Liana Cincotti** is a self-published author in her 20s working in marketing. She runs a blog and immerses herself in the newest romance novels. After years of reading and looking for the next best romance, she decided she would try to make her own.

She creates stories and characters that will give you the urge to travel, the desire to try new things, and the mind of a hopeless romantic. You'll want to be friends with her characters and you'll want to encounter the romance she writes - it will make your heart ache and your jaw drop.

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**SolidGoldMagikarp**  
**A Descent into the AI Underworld**  
**Matthew Watkins**

**Keynote**

**A gripping descent into the hidden psychology of AI, and the strange subcultures trying to control it before it destroys us**

**Description**

When English mathematician Matthew Watkins went to San Francisco to study an early version of ChatGPT, he expected dry technical work. Instead, he uncovered a series of 'rare tokens' that made the system go haywire. Some produced gibberish. Others turned it hostile. One trigger word - petertodd - sent the machine into what looked like full-blown paranoia. Was it a simple bug? A trail of breadcrumbs left by whistleblowers? Or a glimpse into how AI really thinks?

The search for answers pulls Watkins into the secretive world of AI safety research. In this rapidly expanding domain, the line between science and belief blurs: billionaires play god while rogue chatbots win fortunes and groupies. What starts as a computer mystery becomes something much bigger: both a window into the eerie inner worlds of LLMs and a cryptic clue to what might be history's greatest power grab.

The system has since been patched. Even so, before the window closed, we saw inside for a brief moment - and what stared back at us was both stranger and more human than we might like to admit.

**Sales Points**

- **An Unprecedented Glimpse into the Inner Life of AI:** Drawn from real safety research on early language models, this book captures a brief moment when ChatGPT exposed strange, unfiltered behaviors - offering eerie insights into how these systems actually think, break down, and assign meaning.
- **A Deep-Dive into the Cultures Shaping AI's Future:** From Effective Altruists and rationalist fringe communities to crypto scammers and fallen tech prophets, the book reports from inside the weird, influential world of AI safety - where utopian visions and doomsday fears collide.
- **For Readers of *The Alignment Problem*, *You Look Like a Thing and I Love You*, and *Superintelligence*:** Perfect for anyone curious about how AI really works beneath the surface - especially readers drawn to the strange overlap of machine learning, internet subcultures, tech ethics, and the philosophical limits of language and mind.
- **Expert author:** With extensive knowledge of not only LLMs, but the people behind them, Matthew Watkins is the perfect guide through the depths of AI programming and its eccentric cast of subcultures.

**Author Biography**

Matthew Watkins is a British mathematician and AI safety researcher. While studying language models at SERI MATS in Berkeley and London, he discovered 'a cluster of strange keywords that will break ChatGPT' (*Vice*). Posts about his findings for the tech-rationalist website LessWrong were among the most upvoted in the site's history. Leading AI critic Eliezer Yudkowsky called his research 'one of the more hopeful processes happening on Earth right now'.

**Market**

For readers of Mustafa Suleyman's *The Coming Wave*, Brian Christian's *The Alignment Problem*, *You Look Like a Thing and I Love You* by Janelle Shane, *What We Owe The Future* by William MacAskill, and *Number Go Up* by Zeke Faux.

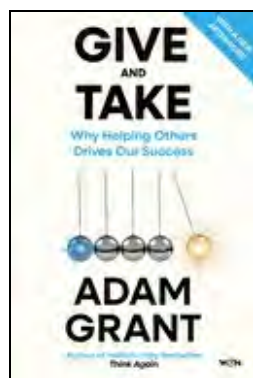
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## Give and Take From the author of million-copy bestseller THINK AGAIN

Adam Grant

### Keynote

The transformative debut from the bestselling author of *Originals* and *Think Again*, reissued for a new audience with a brand new afterword

### Description

#### PRAISE FOR ADAM GRANT

'One of my favourite thinkers' MALCOLM GLADWELL

'One of the great social scientists of our time' SUSAN CAIN

'Has a deserved reputation as an original thinker' *Financial Times*

'We would all be better off if we took Adam Grant's wise counsel seriously' YO-YO MA

The pioneering social scientist reveals the power of helping others as key to personal success and transforming organisations, in his debut book reissued with a brand new afterword

Everybody knows that hard work, luck and talent each plays a role in our working lives. In his landmark debut, Adam Grant illuminates the importance of a fourth, increasingly critical factor - that the best way to get to the top is to bring others with you. *Give and Take* changes our fundamental understanding of why we succeed, offering a new model for our relationships with colleagues, clients and competitors. Using his own cutting-edge research as a professor at the Wharton School, as well as success stories from Hollywood to history, Grant shows that nice guys need not finish last. He demonstrates how smart givers avoid becoming doormats, and why this kind of success has the power to transform not just individuals and groups, but entire organisations and communities.

### Sales Points

- **WORLD-FAMOUS, INTERNATIONALLY BESTSELLING AUTHOR:** Adam Grant's books have incredible sales records around the world and his landmark book THINK AGAIN has sold over 1 million copies. He has been praised by the likes of Daniel Kahnemann, Sheryl Sandberg, Malcolm Gladwell, Brené Brown and many more luminaries.
- **REISSUE FOR A NEW AUDIENCE.** This was Adam's landmark 2013 debut and here he updates it with a brand new afterword, detailing new perspectives he has gained since the book's original publication.
- **UNIVERSALLY APPLICABLE, ON THE PULSE OF RECENT BESTSELLERS.** Despite being published over ten years ago, the themes of reciprocity, team-building and how to get ahead while bringing others with you. This is for readers of recent bestsellers like THE NEXT CONVERSATION by Jefferson Fisher and THE LET THEM THEORY by Mel Robbins.

### Reviews

- 'Perfectly timed and beautifully weighted...Grant's book is optimistic, a refreshing change after years of reading angry indictments of fallen corporate idols...(an) excellent book' - *FINANCIAL TIMES*
- '*Give and Take* is brimming with life-changing insights. As brilliant as it is wise, this is not just a book - it's a new and shining worldview.' - *Susan Cain, author of QUIET*
- '*Give and Take* is a truly exhilarating book - the rare work that will shatter your assumptions about how the world works and keep your brain firing for weeks after you've turned the last page' - Daniel Pink, author of DRIVE

### Author Biography

ADAM GRANT is an organizational psychologist at the Wharton School, where he has been the top-rated professor for seven straight years. A #1 New York Times bestselling author and one of TED's most popular speakers, his books have sold millions of copies and been translated into 45 languages, his talks have been viewed over 35 million times, and his podcasts Re:Thinking and WorkLife have been downloaded over 65 million times. He received his BA from Harvard and his PhD from the University of Michigan, and he is a former junior Olympic springboard diver and magician. He lives in Philadelphia with his wife Allison and their three children.

### Market

Anyone who enjoyed QUIET and THINKING FAST AND SLOW.

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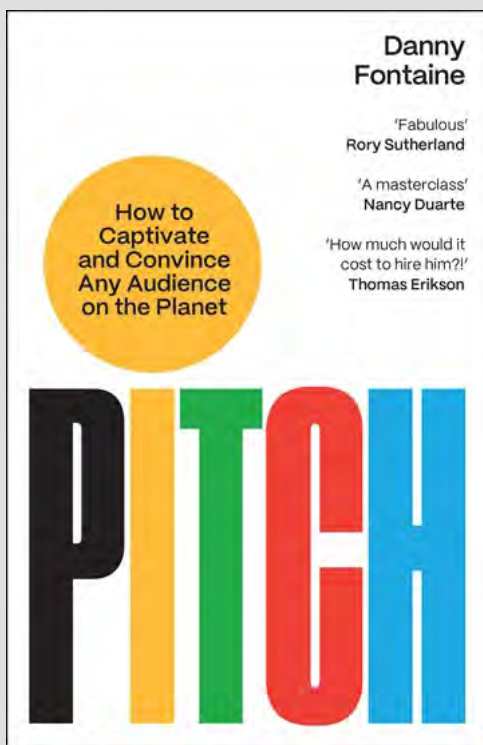
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## REVIEWS

‘A **fabulous** book’ - Rory Sutherland, author of *Alchemy*

‘An **instant classic** ... an indispensable guide for any individual or organisation that needs to up its pitch game. Highly recommended’ - Peter Coughter, author of *The Art of the Pitch*

‘A **storytelling masterclass** that will change how you present forever’ - Nancy Duarte, author of *Resonate*

‘My first thought was: how much would it cost to hire him? This is **the go-to compendium of pitching**. It's light-hearted and **packed with incredible stories and tools**’ - Thomas Erikson, author of *Surrounded by Idiots*

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# Pitch

How to Captivate and Convince Any Audience on the Planet  
**DANNY FONTAINE**

## KEYNOTE

**The instant classic and game-changing guide to the art, science and joy of pitching - now in paperback**

## SALES POINTS

- **An instant contemporary classic** - over 8,000 copies sold across formats in its first 6 months, with fans including heavyweights like Rory Sutherland, Thomas Eriksson and Nancy Duarte
- **The author's star continues to rise** - Danny's podcast *Pitch Masters* attracts 1000s listens per episode; over 10k followers on LinkedIn; in-demand speaker at universities and businesses (incl. Harvard, London Business Forum, Hult). Danny is a tireless self-promoter, and his audience across channels is constantly growing.
- **Expertise + Storytelling + Creative design = a Winning package** - Danny is the best in the business. Combining insight with creative storytelling and a brilliant, cut-through cover, this PB edition will be *the* go-to book for pitching for years to come.

## DESCRIPTION

Pitching sucks. It often means dull PowerPoint decks, pushy tactics, and shouty emails. **But it doesn't have to be that way.**

In this revolutionary guide, go-to Pitch Guy Danny Fontaine reveals how to transform any pitch into an engaging, creative experience for audiences and presenters alike. Drawing on his billion-dollar pitching expertise, this book sets out the steps to preparing, refining and delivering unforgettable pitches. You'll master the art of storytelling, the psychology of connection, and practical, proven methods for generating brilliant ideas.

Backed by anecdotes from some of the very best - and worst - pitches of all time, these techniques work in any context, from boardrooms to classrooms to after-dinner speeches. **Forget PowerPoint and discover how to captivate any audience, win more deals, and have fun doing it.**

## AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

**Danny Fontaine** coaches teams and pitches multi-million-dollar deals to the biggest brands in the world. His unique approach blends creativity, psychology, storytelling and immersive experiences, based on years of research and application. Danny also hosts the *Pitch Masters* podcast where he interviews the masters of the advertising, sales and marketing industries to find out how *they* win business. [www.pitchguy.co.uk](http://www.pitchguy.co.uk)

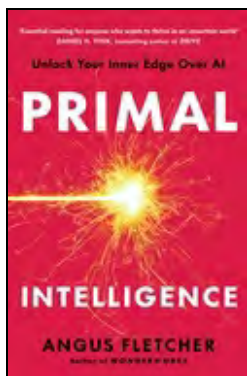
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# Primal Intelligence

## Unlock Your Inner Edge Over AI

### Angus Fletcher

#### Keynote

A revolutionary book that teaches readers how to futureproof their brains against the threats of AI

#### Description

'A fascinating exploration of human potential that will change how you think about thinking' DANIEL H PINK

**Are you worried that AI could replace you?  
What if we told you that your brain already has the solution?**

In this life-changing book, Professor Angus Fletcher shares a revolutionary neuroscientific approach to unlocking the hidden potential of your intelligence. Fletcher and his team of researchers tested a pattern of thinking that - whether trained into civilian entrepreneurs, doctors, teachers, athletes, or children as young as eight - helped participants to achieve heightened levels of leadership and innovation, cope better with change, and experience less anger and anxiety. They called it Primal Intelligence.

Now, this training is being made available to you. Blending practical advice with cutting-edge research, Fletcher will show you how to reshape your approach to intuition, imagination, emotion, and common sense. *Primal Intelligence* is the ultimate guide to maximising your efficiency, creativity, adaptability, and precision, giving you the tools and edge over AI to thrive in an uncertain world.

#### Sales Points

- **Smart thinking personal development with a soft business angle:** From *Atomic Habits* to *Think Again* books in this space have excellent sales potential and typically backlist very well
- **Timely:** AI books are a rising trend and this book offers a rallying call to embrace the side of our brains that computers can never imitate.
- **Blend of science with human stories:** the book will bring together expert research into productivity, goals and growth with a mix of human stories to make this an engaging read.
- Endorsements from Daniel Pink and Malcolm Gladwell

#### Author Biography

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

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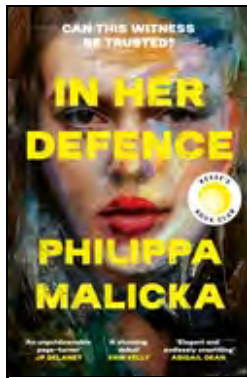
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## In Her Defence

The **NEW** Reese Witherspoon Book Club pick, February 2026. A dark and gripping courtroom drama for fans of Gillian Flynn and Ripley

**Philippa Malicka**

### Keynote

*The Talented Mr Ripley* meets Gillian Flynn in this juicy, page-turning courtroom drama about family, privilege, the dark side of therapy and the slippery nature of memory.

### Description

**Everyone is watching . . .**

Wealthy and famous, Anna Finbow stands in court, accusing therapist Jean Guest of brainwashing her daughter Mary to gain access to her trust fund.

Jean claims that the dark memories she's helped Mary uncover are real. That therapy has offered her a chance to finally heal from childhood trauma, and she would be better off away from her family's damaging influence.

*I'll tell you now . . . you shouldn't believe either of them.*

### Sales Points

- **REESE'S:** *In Her Defence* was chosen as a Reese's Book Club pick in February 2026, a hugely impressive feat for a UK-based debut author
- **WIDE APPEAL:** Smart, sexy and utterly unique, *In Her Defence* is an intricate character study that will stay with you, just as much as it is a pulse-pounding thriller
- **TIMELY THEMES:** The book draws inspiration from the Johnny Depp/Amber Heard and Rebekah Vardy/Colleen Rooney trials, as well as the Nxium brainwashing case

### Reviews

- '*In Her Defence* has pace, the lush backdrop of Rome, and many wonderfully wealthy characters destroying their lives' - *The Times*
- 'A gripping courtroom drama I absolutely inhaled' - *Grazia*
- 'So, so, so good! You don't know what's real and you don't know who to trust. I couldn't put it down . . . you're going to lose your mind over it' - Reese Witherspoon
- 'Smart, elegant, and endlessly unsettling. This is a novel full of delicious, vivid details: the ambiguous characters, the unforgettable settings, the unnerving psychology' - Abigail Dean, international bestselling author of *GIRL A*

### Author Biography

Philippa Malicka grew up in Essex and now lives in London. Her journalism has appeared in the *Sunday Telegraph* and *Sunday Times* and she is a graduate of the Fiction MA at the University of East Anglia. *In Her Defence*, a Reese's Book Club pick in February 2026, is her first novel.

### Market

For fans of *Ripley*, Gillian Flynn, Abigail Dean and Ruth Mancini

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## Café. Waiting. Love.

Giddens Ko

Translated by Shanna Tan

### Keynote

**Bestselling translator Shanna Tan teams up with renowned Taiwanese author and filmmaker Giddens Ko to bring readers one of his modern classics about coming of age and finding love, for the first time in the English language.**

### Description

*'Dreams that are laughable when said aloud are often the ones most worth pursuing. Even if you fall . . .'*

In a small café in Hsinchu, Taiwan, everyone is waiting for something. Whether it's love, a second chance or a sign of something greater. More than just an ordinary coffee shop; this is a place for serendipitous encounters.

Si-ying, a young woman working at the café, harbours a secret crush on the handsome Tse-yu, who regularly visits with a new girlfriend in tow. However, her life takes a turn when she befriends the quirky and earnest Ah Tuo. He takes her on adventures and introduces her to an eclectic mix of people who aren't what they seem to be - a triad boss who is a cinephile and a laundrette owner who whips up exquisite dishes worthy of Michelin stars (but only on a Sunday!).

Feelings are complicated, Si-ying learns.

Within the café's walls, moments of reflection reveal profound truths. Amidst the wait for someone else, Si-ying makes her most significant journey: the one to discovering herself.

**\*\* Translated from the Mandarin Chinese by Shanna Tan \*\***

### Sales Points

- **ENGLISH LANGUAGE DEBUT OF BESTSELLING TAIWANESE TALENT:** Giddens Ko (or Jiubadao) is a famed Taiwanese novelist with over 60 published books, many of which have been adapted for screen. This is the **first time he is being translated into English** language.
- **COSY TRANSLATED FICTION:** Perfect for fans of slice-of-life novels that take you through life's simple moments, e.g. **THE CONVENIENCE STORE BY THE SEA** by Sonoko Machida, **SOYANGRI BOOK KITCHEN** by Kim Jee Hye and **DAYS AT THE TORUNKA CAFE** by Satoshi Yagisawa.
- **COMING OF AGE STORY:** Follows main characters who are navigating that precarious transition period of life, when you graduate high school and go into university/college, touching on the lessons, heartbreaks and friendships made along the way.
- **CULT CINEMATIC HIT:** *Cafe. Waiting. Love.* was adapted into a film in Taiwan in 2014, directed by Chiang Chin-lin and starring Vivian Sung, Bruce Hung and Marcus Chang.
- **TRANSLATOR PASSION PROJECT:** This was a major passion project for **bestselling translator SHANNA TAN**, who has worked on books such as *The Moonglow Bookshop* by Dongwon Seo, *Hakuda Photo Studio* by Her Taeyeon and *Welcome to the Hyunam-dong Bookshop* by Hwang Bo-reum.

### Author Biography

**Giddens Ko** is an award-winning and highly popular Taiwanese writer and filmmaker. He writes under the pseudonym JIUBADAO 'Nine Knives' and has authored more than sixty books, primarily novels spanning a diverse range of blended genres including thriller, speculative fiction, horror, fantasy, romance and more. At his peak, he published one book per month for more than a year. Since 2009, he has also become a well-known figure in the film industry, having directed, produced and wrote several blockbuster Taiwanese films, including adaptations of his novels. *You Are the Apple of My Eye*, a 2011 Taiwanese coming-of-age romance film based on the semi-autobiographical novel by Ko, was a box office hit, winning several awards, and inspiring several film and drama remakes in Thailand and South Korea.

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## How to Build a City Journeys into the Urban Future

Gabriella Bennett

### Keynote

**A globe-trotting exploration into the towns and cities at the frontiers of urban living**

### Description

**'A thoughtful, open-hearted, deeply reported book about what we need to live. In *How To Build A City*, Bennett roams the world in search of answers to some of the most profound questions of our present and our future' - CAL FLYN**

A moveable city in the Arctic Circle. Tower blocks tackling loneliness in Tokyo. Helsinki's sprawling underground metropolis. And Ukraine's bomb-resistant bedrooms. These places, and many more, are among the strange and dazzling solutions responding to our uncertain world.

Gabriella Bennett takes readers on a globe-trotting journey to learn how we are reimagining home to embrace the challenges of contemporary living. From political instability to wildfires, flooding and an increased pressure on materials and space, the built environment is under threat like never before. It must change - and it is. We'll travel to the frontier cities of this urban revolution and discover how people are transforming their communities in surprising ways.

Celebrating human ingenuity and resilience, *How to Build a City* is a remarkable investigation into where we'll live and why it matters.

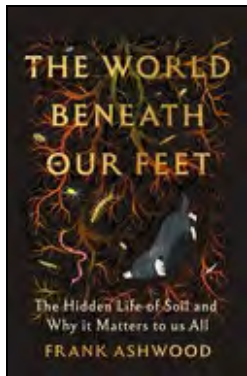
### Sales Points

- International focus: This book has a global reach featuring towns and cities in Japan, Ukraine, Scotland, Germany, Austria, Denmark, Finland and more.
- Timely: Overpopulation, climate change and the housing crisis are constant features of the news. This book brings these threads to together to examine how we will live in the face of these issues.
- Brilliant writing: Gabriella blends human stories with cutting edge insights into the future of urban living.
- Practical takeaways: bursting with profound and tangible examples of how to plan and build better, more sustainable, happier towns and cities from around the world.
- For fans of Cal Flynn, Thomas Heatherwick, Olivia Laing and Alain de Botton.

### Author Biography

Gabriella Bennett is a journalist specialising in housing, architecture, travel and design. She writes a weekly column for The Times and her broadcasting credits include This Morning, Countryfile and Debate Night. In 2021 she was named Travel Writer of the Year at the Scottish Press Awards and Regional Journalist of the Year at the UK Property Press Awards for her investigations into the cladding crisis. She lives in Perthshire.

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## The World Beneath Our Feet The Hidden Life of Soil and Why It Matters to Us All

**Frank Ashwood**

### Keynote

A stunning, microscopic safari tour of the world of soil beneath our feet, offering a new appreciation of an ecosystem that is the basis for all life on Earth.

### Description

**To appreciate the wonders of the world around us, we're often told to look up. But what if we need to look down instead?**

The ground beneath our feet hums with a staggering abundance of winding roots, interconnecting fungal networks, wriggling creatures and mind-blowing microbial life. This glittering ecosystem is the single most biodiverse habitat on the planet. Half of all our species exist underfoot, and just a handful of soil can contain an entire world. Without soil, there would be no life as we know it.

Everything that happens below ground sustains all life above it - yet we rarely think about this mysterious, dark underland. In *The World Beneath Our Feet* soil ecologist Frank Ashwood scratches the surface and takes us on an eye-opening safari through this precious ecosystem, from the ancient forests of New Zealand to the vast black soil deposits of China. Every layer of the pedosphere is a world of its own, each more alien than the last as we travel deeper into the Earth.

In a story of connection and communication, we meet pioneering plants and invisible insects that are essential to the health and wellbeing of our planet. We learn how soil makes our very existence possible, allowing us to cultivate crops as well as storing the water we need to survive. We marvel at soil as the Earth's fertiliser and one the building blocks of evolution, transforming decaying matter into the birthplace of new life.

*The World Beneath Our Feet* opens our eyes to the hidden, wondrous world of soil and invites us all to play a part in protecting it for future generations.

### Sales Points

- **ORIGINAL, DOOR-OPENER TOPIC:** This is an unexploited niche topic but one that is a door opener subject - it leads into big topics through microscopic detail about the world beneath our feet, and the vital importance of soil for life on Earth. It taps into natural history, science, animals and habitats, gardening and growing, environment/climate change and the great outdoors.
- **PRIZE-WORTHY QUALITY:** This is beautiful, prize-worthy writing. It absolutely glitters and gives us a sense of awe and wonder about the world at a minute level, akin to going for a walk with a small child.
- **BIG SELLING COMPS:** For readers who loved OTHERLANDS by Thomas Halliday (HB 26,396, PB 41,550), ENTANGLED LIFE by Merlin Sheldrake (HB 57,066, PB 145,873), AN IMMENSE WORLD by Ed Yong (HB 11,872, PB 27,659), LOST RAINFORESTS OF BRITAIN by Guy Shrubsole (HB 21,744, PB 41,883) or THE HIDDEN LIFE OF TREES by Peter Wohlleben (PB 197,162).
- **INTERNATIONAL APPEAL:** The author is British but based in New Zealand. This is a completely global topic and global proposal, with examples from the UK to Uruguay, America to Greenland.
- **EXPERT AUTHOR:** Frank Ashwood is a soil ecologist who researches soil animals and habitats and Postdoctoral Fellow at the University of Canterbury in New Zealand. Frank has appeared on the BBC Earth Podcast, BBC Breakfast, ABC Landline and he will be brilliant on radio and TV.

### Reviews

- 'This is a thrilling and delightful book. It opens a treasure chest of fascinating insights into our most neglected ecosystem.' - *George Monbiot*
- '"Vital, brilliant, wholly absorbing" - this rich weave of soil science and stories that connect us with the tiny creatures we rarely see is as diverse and finely tuned as the life of the soil itself. A masterpiece of science writing and a subject that is the most important of all to our own survival' - *Isabella Tree* - *Isabella Tree*
- 'If there's one thing we're going to need in the future, it's healthy soil. Terrestrial life depends on it. We find ourselves at a critical juncture in our history and what we do now will determine our survival. I sincerely hope we heed the message of this significant book. Quite simply magnificent.' - *George McGavin, Oxford University Museum of Natural History*
- 'This book has massive, understated charm. I used merely to like earthworms. Now I truly admire them. Ashwood has made soil science enchanting.' - *Noreen Masud, author of A FLAT PLACE*

### Author Biography

Dr Frank Ashwood is a soil ecologist and macrophotographer, specialising in soil



invertebrates. He is a Lecturer of Ecology and Entomology at Lincoln University in New Zealand, and received his PhD from University of Lancashire in 2016. Frank has previously worked as a scientist for Forest Research, part of the British Government's Forestry Commission. He is Associate Editor of the *New Zealand Journal of Zoology* and member of the Royal Society of Biology. Frank has appeared on the BBC Earth Podcast, BBC Breakfast, ABC Landline, and his soil animal photography has been featured in the *Guardian* and the *New York Times*, and has been exhibited internationally.

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## The Legend of Lady Byeoksa

**For fans of K-Pop Demon Hunters and historical K-dramas - A devastating Korean romantasy tinged with mythology**

**Esther Park**  
Translated by **Gene Png**

### Keynote

**Travel to the Underworld and back in this tale of star-crossed lovers, political intrigue and mysticism inspired by Korean mythology and set in the Joseon dynasty, by the emerging Korean romantasy sensation Esther Park.**

### Description

**'Bound to tug at your heart strings' ELIZA CHAN**  
**'Brimming with romance and intrigue' ELIZABETH LIM**  
**'A historical K-drama brought to life on the page' JUNE HUR**  
**'A sweeping, romantic tale about reforging your own destiny' JIHYUN YUN**

***'Whether I remember or not, it seems I am destined to love you.'***

Lady Seomun Bin is hiding a secret.

Cursed to see otherworldly spirits, Bin disguises herself as a man to perform exorcisms as a byeoksaga, or ghost-stalker. Collecting a pearl each time, she is counting as she collects the 108 spirit pearls needed to buy back her freedom from the demon who once cursed her.

When she sneaks into the chief state councillor's home, Bin chances upon Eunho, a trusted advisor to the King and one of the Joseon court's most eligible bachelors. Their connection is immediate but while Eunho finds himself drawn to Bin, she does everything she can to avoid him. Yet fate has other plans, continuing to throw them in each other's paths.

When a demonic presence grows in power in the Underworld, the boundaries between the physical world and the one beyond grow thinner. As these evil forces seek to exert their influence over the palace court, will Bin and Eunho be able to work together to overpower them?

**\*\* Translated from the Korean by Gene Png \*\***

### Sales Points

- **FEMINIST TWIST ON KOREAN FOLKLORE:** This novel subverts the traditional byeoksaga figure presented in Korean mythology, who is always a man. The byeoksa is a swashbuckling hero, wielding an intricate blade and using it to exorcise ghosts and slay demons.
- **PERFECT FOR FANS OF:** historical fantasy novels such as Sue Lynn Tan's DAUGHTER OF THE MOON GODDESS or Axie Oh's THE GIRL WHO FELL BENEATH THE SEA; historical romance novels set in the Joseon era such as June Hur's THE RED PALACE or A CRANE AMONG WOLVES.
- **HEART-BREAKING KOREAN ROMANTASY:** Introduces readers to the tragic, star-crossed love story of Bin and Eun-ho, whose memory has been wiped to forget their past. Curses and supernatural forces are the ultimate perils on their journey to find and remember each other.
- **WEL RIGHTS:** Wildfire have got World English language rights and will be submitting widely at international book fairs in the lead up to publication.
- **STAR TRANSLATOR: Gene Png** is an up and coming buzzy Korean translator, mentored by Anton Hur. She has got brilliant SFF/fantasy-leaning upcoming projects such as **THE MIDNIGHT SHIFT** by Cheon Seon-ran (Bloomsbury, August 2025) and **PROJECT V** by Park Seolyeon (HarperVia, TBD)

### Reviews

- **'A vividly imagined fantasy** of courtly intrigue reminiscent of the best Korean dramas. Come for the cross-dressing exorcist, stay for the sweeping love story that's **bound to tug at your heart strings.'** - ELIZA CHAN, author of Fathomfolk
- **'Propulsive and compulsively readable, *The Legend of Lady Byeoksa* is a sweeping, romantic tale about reforging your own destiny.** Set in an expansive fantasy world with a rich tapestry of elements drawn from Korean folklore, this is **an engaging, imaginative book** perfect for readers who wish to be transported.' - JIHYUN YUN, author of And the River Drags Her Down
- **'Full of magic, action, and romance, *The Legend of Lady Byeoksa* reads like a sweeping historical K-drama brought to life on the page.** Set in the Joseon dynasty and originally written in Korean, it's the kind of story I've always dreamed of reading.' - JUNE HUR, author of A Crane Among Wolves

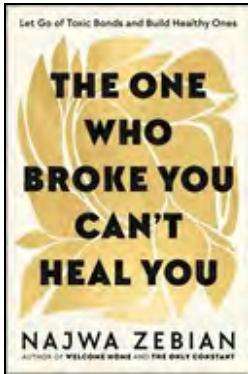


### Author Biography

**Esther Park** strives for memorability in her writing. She mainly writes historical fantasy and YA fiction. Her other works include REVELATIONS OF THE GARDEN (2023), OCCULT GIRL (2022) and D-CLUB QUEEN'S SUMMER (2016). She was the winner of the 1 BIR Marshmallow Fiction Contest for her YA series MICHAELA (2017), and her web novel saw her win the prestigious detective/mystery/thriller award organised by Korean entertainment giants KakaoPage, CJ ENM and Studio Dragon.

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Podcast	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
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## The One Who Broke You Can't Heal You Let Go of Toxic Bonds and Build Healthy Ones

**Najwa Zebian**

#### Keynote

The one who broke you can't heal you is not just a truth. It's a turning point. A wake-up call. A release.

#### Description

Most of us continue to be bonded to the people who hurt us, waiting for them to give us closure, to see us as worthy of their change or remorse, and to apologize. True healing begins when you stop giving the one who broke you the pen that writes the story of how you heal. Instead, you decide to put your broken pieces back together with the healing threads of self-love and inner wisdom.

We are bound to people in our romantic relationships and friendships, in our families and at work. And those bonds pull at us in ways that might make us feel stuck, dispensable, or unstable. But bonds with others can also make us feel valued, respected, and truly loved. The One Who Broke You Can't Heal You explores the seven types of bonds that hold us to people: healthy bonds, convenient bonds, transactional bonds, forced bonds, enabling bonds, toxic bonds, and trauma bonds.

You can learn to recognize the bonds that weaken you and the ones that strengthen you. You can shine a light on these invisible threads and see which ones need to be released, which ones may need mending, and when it's time to weave new, healthier threads.

In these pages, Najwa guides you to:

- \* let go of the myth of closure and make peace with your past
- \* break the patterns and beliefs that keep you bonded to pain and those who caused it
- \* reclaim your power in all your relationships
- \* plant the seeds for relationships rooted in depth, safety, and authenticity

With practical actions and personal stories woven throughout, The One Who Broke You Can't Heal You is a soul-soothing journey to a life nourished by meaningful connections with others-and yourself.

#### Sales Points

- **3.2M FOLLOWERS AND CONSISTENTLY GROWING:** Since we launched The Only Constant in 2023, Zebian's online platform has grown from 2.4M to 3.2M (Instagram: 1.4M/6% CAN; Facebook: 979k/32% CAN; TikTok: 725.4k/6% CAN; X: 84k; YouTube: 52.7k); 12K newsletter subscribers
- **WELL-CONNECTED AUTHOR:** Najwa is connected to authors and influencers/personalities like Lisa Bilyeu, Elaine Welteroth, Mel Robbins, Jennifer Pastiloff, Vex King, Alex Elle, Sarah Nicole Landry, Robyn Doolittle
- **RELATIONSHIP ADVICE IS THE TOPIC HER FANS ARE CLAMOURING FOR:** Her consumers also bought books on healing and relationships, Reviewers recommend her books in response to relationship questions, and her top content continues to include interview clips where she provides relationship advice. The One Who Broke You Can't Heal You is her first book specifically about relationships, making it a huge opportunity to connect deeply with her followers.
- **BESTSELLING SELF-HELP AUTHOR:** Najwa's debut self-help book Welcome Home (June 2021) has sold 50K copies (UK and Comm) across all editions, The Only Constant (June 2023) has sold 10K copies UK and Comm, all eds. (extent figs)

#### Reviews

- 'Najwa has an incredibly rare ability to take you to an emotionally deep and vulnerable place while also showing you that you are strong and that change is possible. You never feel alone with a Najwa book in your hand-every word she writes lands like a poetic kiss to the heart. You feel seen. You feel understood. And most importantly, you never feel alone.-**Lisa Bilyeu, author of Radical Confidence: 10 No-BS Lessons on Becoming the Hero of Your Own Life**'
- 'There is a human need to have the people who hurt us, bear witness to that pain. A compulsion that can last for years, or even a lifetime. *The One Who Broke You Can't Heal You* reminds us to compassionately understand why we crave that, teaches us how to release it, and recognizes the capacity we each have to bear witness to ourselves." -**Ramani Durvasula, Ph.D., Psychologist and New York Times Bestselling Author of It's Not You: Identifying and Healing from Narcissistic People**'
- 'A compassionate guide to recovering from harmful relationships...Zebian valuably challenges familiar notions, including that moving on requires "closure" (a misguided belief that puts "all the power of your healing in another person's hands"), in a friendly, conversational tone... The result is an affirming resource for readers looking to sever connections that no longer serve them.-**Publishers Weekly**'
- 'This book doesn't just tell you what to do, it calls you forward. Najwa Zebian offers an

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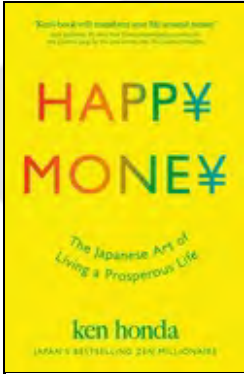
unwavering reminder that the people who broke your trust don't get to control your healing. Instead of chasing validation or explanations, she guides you back to yourself. The exercises are simple but powerful, creating shifts that actually stick. This is a clear, compassionate guide to building relationships that are meaningful, reciprocal, and rooted in self-respect. A true must-read for anyone who is ready to stop waiting for closure and start choosing themselves. **Misha Brown, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Be Your Own Bestie: A No-Nonsense Guide to Changing the Way You Treat Yourself***

### Author Biography

Najwa Zebian is a Lebanese Canadian activist, author, speaker and educator. Her search for a home was central to her early years as she struggled to find her place in the world. She became a teacher and a doctoral candidate in educational leadership. As Najwa began to write in an effort to connect with and heal her first students, a group of young refugees, she found that she was also writing to heal herself. The author of three collections of poetry, she delivered the TEDx talk 'Finding Home Through Poetry' and recently launched a digital school, Soul Academy, and a podcast, *Stories of the Soul*. Her work has been featured in the *New York Times*, *Glamour*, *Elle Canada*, *HuffPost* and more.

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# Happy Money The Japanese Art of Living a Prosperous Life

**Ken Honda**

## Keynote

Follow the zen path to happiness with money, based on the Japanese bestseller which has sold 1 million copies!

## Description

"Ken's book will transform your life around money." - **Jack Canfield, #1 New York Times bestselling coauthor of the Chicken Soup for the Soul series and The Success Principles**

**Take the zen path to financial security and happiness. Ken Honda - Japan's #1 bestselling personal development guru - teaches you how to achieve peace of mind when it comes to money with this instant international bestseller.**

Too often, money is a source of fear, stress, and anger, often breaking apart relationships and even ruining lives. We like to think money is just a number or a piece of paper, but it is so much more than that. Money has the ability to smile, it changes when it is given with a certain feeling, and the energy with which it imbues us impacts not only ourselves, but others as well.

Although Ken Honda is often called a "money guru," his real job over the past decade has been to help others discover the tools they already possess to heal their own lives and relationships with money. Learn how to treat money as a welcome guest, allowing it to come and go with respect and without resentment; understand and improve your money EQ; unpack the myth of scarcity; and embrace the process of giving money, not just receiving it.

This beautifully written book will reinvent the way you see your personal finances. You will come to understand that money flows like water and arrives like a guest. You'll rethink your own attitudes and examine the way they were shaped by beliefs about money you were taught as a child. When we heal the fear and anxiety we have about money, we successfully achieve prosperity and peace.

This book isn't to fix you, because as Ken Honda says, you're already okay!

## Sales Points

- Ken is the leading self help authority in Japan. He has published more than 110 books, has recorded weekly podcasts for 4 years, and has held seminars and conferences all over Japan for the last 12 years. He is the highest paid professional speaker in Japan. His seminars attract up to 1,000 people and sell out within an hour, and his Japanese website receives more than 250 testimonials and reader comments every day.
- HAPPY MONEY is accessible, outcome focused self help which combines practical tips about managing money with a zen philosophy which will resonate strongly with readers keen to escape their feelings of stress, anxiety and tension around money.
- HAPPY MONEY is publishing with Scribner in the US and Ken is passionate about growing his influence in the English-speaking world. He has already re-positioned his website to face our territories, and is extremely well connected - he is the first person from Japan to be included in Jack Canfield's invitation-only *Transformational Leadership Council*.
- This book has v strong audio potential, following in the footsteps of JML's success with *YOU ARE A BADASS AT MAKING MONEY*, which looks like it will sell 7.5k audio in its first year, and Rob Moore's *MONEY*, which has sold almost 20,000 copies through Audible.

## Author Biography

Ken Honda is a bestselling author of self-development books in Japan. His expertise comes from owning and managing several businesses, including an accounting company, management consulting firm, and a venture capital corporation. His writings bridge the topics of finance and self-help, focusing on creating and generating personal wealth and happiness through deeper self-honesty. Ken's much-sought-after advice has been the impetus for thousands of people to take action toward self-realization, allowing them to work and live from a position of strength and solvency. Ken also provides ongoing support through mentoring programs, business seminars, therapeutic workshops, and correspondence courses.

To date, Ken has published more than 110 books, has recorded weekly podcasts for 4 years, and has held seminars and conferences all over Japan for the last 12 years. He is the highest paid professional speaker in Japan. His seminars attract up to 1,000 people and sell out within an hour, and his Japanese website receives more than 250 testimonials and reader comments every day.

He is the first person from Japan to be voted into the Transformational Leadership

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Council, a group of personal and professional development leaders. He is fluent in Japanese and English. He has focused on the Japanese market for 12 years, but is turning his attention to the rest of the world. He currently lives in Tokyo.

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## Bookish Volume 2

**a witty, warm-hearted mystery that's perfect for book lovers**

**Matthew Sweet**

#### Keynote

**Based on Mark Gatiss's brand new TV series set in post-war London, *Bookish* follows an enigmatic independent bookshop owner who helps the local police solve crimes.**

#### Description

***Adapted from the major television series created by Mark Gatiss - new season coming soon!***

**London, 1946.** Much of the capital, and indeed the country, remains beset by rationing and bomb damage. But for some there are other, more immediate concerns: crimes of a serious and sometimes deadly nature.

Inspector Bliss of Bow Street occasionally enlists the services of Gabriel Book, proprietor of Book's Books: antiquarian and amateur sleuth, whose appetite for mystery is rivalled only by his enthusiasm for rare second-hand volumes.

Working alongside Book are his wife and wallpaper shop-owner, Trottie; true crime fanatic Nora; and Jack, who's surprised to have found a home at Book's. They are all overseen by Dog, when otherwise unoccupied by his hunt for ginger biscuits.

Together, they sell books and solve crimes. But Book has his own personal mystery to solve - one that's haunted him for over a decade - and with each passing day, he draws closer to the truth.

**Warm-hearted, witty and perfect for book lovers, *Bookish Vol.II* is a surprising, entertaining mystery about books, murder and the lengths we'll go to keep our secrets safe.**

#### READERS LOVE BOOKISH

'A **delicious** read' &#11088;&#11088;&#11088;&#11088;&#11088;

'**Charming** and **entertaining**' &#11088;&#11088;&#11088;&#11088;&#11088;

'An **enjoyable** and **very clever** read' &#11088;&#11088;&#11088;&#11088;&#11088;

'So **unique** and **if you are a murder mystery fan give it a go**' &#11088;&#11088;&#11088;&#11088;&#11088;

#### Sales Points

- **PERFECT FOR:** fans of *Sherlock*, Agatha Christie and *Knives Out*, the star of *Bookish* is its protagonist, Gabriel Book - brilliant, bookish and unconventional - who readers and viewers alike will fall for.
- **HIT TV SERIES:** The second six-part season of *BOOKISH*, co-written by Mark Gatiss and Matthew Sweet and starring Mark Gatiss, Polly Walker, Connor Finch and Elliot Levey, will air in 2026.
- **NOVELISATION WITH A TWIST:** Gabriel Book is an unconventional and endearing bookseller / detective, whose shop is a magnet for waifs and strays - one of whom is an aspiring writer called Nora. Unlike the TV series, the book will re-tell the crime stories from Nora's perspective.
- **FOR THE LOVE OF BOOKS:** *Bookish* is a novelisation about a bookseller, that champions bookshops, and our aim is for the series and its protagonist to become an unmissable, beloved favourite across the bookish community.

#### Author Biography

Matthew Sweet is co-writer, with Mark Gatiss, of *Bookish*. He is a Fellow of the School of Advanced Study, University of London and the author of *Inventing the Victorians*, *Shepperton Babylon*, *The West End Front*, *Operation Chaos* and the crime novel *The New Forest Murders*. His biography, *Barbara Cartland: The Great Dictator* is published in September 2026. He is the presenter of *Free Thinking* (BBC Radio 4) and his 25 years of television and radio programmes include *The Culture Show* (BBC2), *Checking into History* (C4), 12 years of *Sound of Cinema* (Radio 3), five series of *The Philosophers Arms* (Radio



4), and *1922: The Birth of Now*, a ten-part history of modernism (Radio 4). He has been film critic of the *Independent on Sunday*, photography critic of *Newsweek* and fashion columnist for *1843/The Economist*. *Liberation Radio* - his collaboration with the artists Nhung Nguyen and Esther Johnson - has been staged at the Manzi gallery in Hanoi and at Index, the Swedish Contemporary Art Foundation in Stockholm. In 2017 he and the baker Frances Quinn achieved a chocolate-related Guinness World record that held good until 2022, when it was broken by Ant and Dec.

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## The Cinnamon Spice Inn

**A totally addictive, heart-warming and cozy small-town romance**

**Harper Graham**

### Keynote

**The first in a totally addictive, cozy and steamy small-town romance series, this book is perfect for the TikTok market and for fans of Gilmore Girls, Emily Henry and Virgin River.**

### Description

#### Love is the sweetest spice of all.

Madison has convinced herself she belongs in NYC. But then she's called back to Maple Falls to save her childhood home, The Cinnamon Spice Inn. She's NOT looking forward to seeing her ex, Zach-now a sexy handyman who knows exactly how to push her buttons. But she won't let anything distract her from the inn's relaunch... right?

Zach is frustrated in more ways than one when his latest job brings him face-to-face with the girl who got away. He's already agreed to renovate her family's inn. But the last thing he wants is to work side-by-side with that stubborn, infuriating-fine, totally gorgeous-red-head.

Will Madison save the inn and have a second chance at love, or will it all go up in flames?

**Grab your favourite spiced latte and settle in with this steamy romance, packed with small-town charm, scorching chemistry, and the perfect HEA. If you love Laurie Gilmore, Emily Henry, cozy autumn vibes and plenty of spice, this is perfect for you!**

### Tropes:

Enemies to lovers  
Forced proximity  
Small-town vs. city life  
Opposites attract  
Second chance romance  
Childhood sweethearts  
Work romance  
Spicy

### Sales Points

- Over a dozen translation deals have already been made for this series with widespread interest from influencers.
- Delivers on all the autumnal cues with a gorgeous, stand-out cover, packed full of stunning descriptions.
- A brilliant blend of small-town cozy vibes and hot steamy scenes. Full of key tropes, e.g. enemies to lovers, forced proximity, small town s. city life, second chance romance, childhood sweethearts.
- Builds on a growing and lucrative trend in cozy seasonal steamy romances.
- The first in a series which will be publishing in close succession, the second being a Christmassy book.

### Author Biography

Harper Graham lives with her mischievous spaniel in a cozy small town in Connecticut. Her quirky neighbours may or may not have inspired the residents of her Maple Falls series.

When she's not hiking with her daughter, baking her grandmother's recipes or reading in her favourite coffee shop, Harper can be found writing the sweet and spicy romance stories of her own dreams.

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Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
Format	<b>B Format</b>
Extent	<b>368 pages</b>
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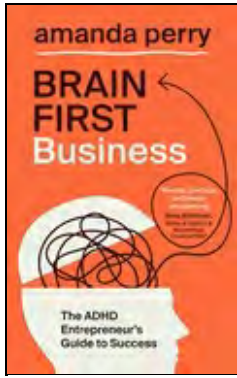
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## Brain First Business The ADHD Entrepreneur's Guide to Success

Amanda Perry

### Keynote

A practical and inspiring guide to help you harness your ADHD brain and build a thriving business on your own terms.

### Description

**'HONEST, PRACTICAL, AND DEEPLY EMPOWERING'** Gino Wickman, Author of *Traction & Shine*, Creator of EOS®

As an entrepreneur with ADHD, some of your traits like creativity, hyperfocus, and risk-taking are rocket fuel for starting a business. Others, like trouble with attention to detail and time management can make running it feel impossibly overwhelming. Traditional business advice, designed for neurotypical brains, often leaves you stressed, doubting yourself, and on the road to burnout.

That's why serial entrepreneur and ADHDer Amanda Perry wrote *BRAIN FIRST BUSINESS* a groundbreaking guide that rewrites the rules of entrepreneurship for you and your neurodivergent brain. Using her Brain First method, she blends lived experience with neuroscience to show you how to reach your goals without sacrificing your sanity. By learning how ADHD shows up in your business and adopting proven strategies that play to your strengths, you'll redesign your approach in a way that works *with* your brain, not against it and unlock a sustainable path to a profitable business.

### Sales Points

- **TRENDING TOPIC:** ADHD and entrepreneurship are both topics with strong interest. There is a clear market for books for adults with ADHD, but none tackle the realities of running a business with ADHD.
- **GREAT QUOTES:** "Amanda is an extraordinarily talented entrepreneurial person. Often you meet people with great talent, but they're lacking in other areas, this isn't the case with Amanda. She has phenomenal people skills, she's naturally ambitious (which is infectious), she thinks differently and all of this is fuelled by a tremendous work ethic. Would love to work alongside Amanda on a project again soon!" STEVEN BARTLETT
- **LIVED EXPERIENCE:** Amanda Perry is a serial entrepreneur and business owner diagnosed with ADHD at the age of 42. She is writing the book that would have helped her earlier in her career. She draws from her own experiences as well as those of other ADHDers who run their own businesses.
- **GROWING PLATFORM:** Amanda has 125K followers on Instagram with a 5.55% engagement rate (77% UK, 2% Australia), 14K on LinkedIn, 22K on Threads, and an email list of 9,000. She is meeting her audience in the social media spaces they already are, and she offers coaching and community.
- **STRONG NETWORK:** Steven Bartlett is a personal contact and blurber and she *should* get onto The Diary of a CEO podcast to promote. She is also a personal contact of Alex Partridge, has been on the ADHD Chatter podcast and will look to repeat.

### Author Biography

Amanda Perry is a serial entrepreneur, coach, and speaker who has launched, scaled, and sold four businesses. Her work has been featured in *Forbes*, *The Guardian*, and on the BBC. She lives in the UK and is passionate about helping ADHD entrepreneurs turn their ideas into thriving, sustainable ventures.

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Thema 1.6	<b>Coping with / advice about ADHD (VFJR2) Entrepreneurship / Start-ups (KJH) Coping with / advice about neurodevelopmental issues or topics (VFJR) Advice on careers and achieving success (VSC)</b>
Binding	<b>Trade Paperback</b>
Format	<b>Demy</b>
Extent	<b>288 pages</b>
Word Count	<b>N/A</b>
Illustrations	<b>N/A</b>
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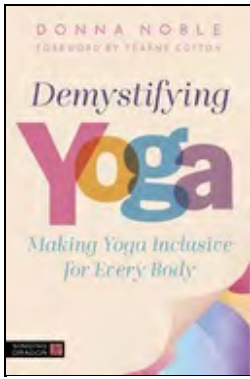
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Main Identifier	<b>9781805017301</b>
Thema 1.6	<b>Fitness and diet (VFM) Yoga (as a philosophy) (QDHC2) Complementary therapies, healing and health (VXH)</b>

Binding	<b>Trade Paperback</b>
Format	<b>229x152 (6x9")</b>
Extent	<b>144 pages</b>
Word Count	<b>42792 words</b>
Illustrations	<b>N/A</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>UK; World</b>
Not for Sale	<b>None</b>

Author living in	<b>London, UK</b>
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#### Previous Titles

Donna Noble, *Teaching Body Positive Yoga*, August 2022 (9781787753358) 1,142 copies sold.

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2nd Serial	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
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## Demystifying Yoga Making Yoga Inclusive for Every Body

**Donna Noble**

### Keynote

A guide to debunking misconceptions about yoga and removing the common barriers to yoga practice.

### Description

Misconceptions have led many people to believe that yoga is an exclusive practice only for slim, young, able-bodied and privileged people. Shifting the focus away from limiting stereotypes and myths, Donna Noble carves out a vital space for a more inclusive vision of yoga within these pages.

Examining issues such as body image, cultural appropriation and accessibility, chapters break down the barriers to yoga practice, exploring the origins of yoga stereotypes and how they have shaped perceptions. Drawing on real-life examples, interviews with practitioners, and community insights, this book spotlights the voices that are too often missing from yoga spaces and offers practical tools for making yoga culture welcoming and inclusive for everybody.

Whether you are yoga teacher or simply looking to find yourself reflected in yoga, this book is the perfect place to be reminded that yoga really is for everyBODY regardless of age, size, ethnicity, ability or gender.

### Sales Points

- Donna Noble's book *Teaching Body Positive Yoga* (9781787753358) has sold incredibly well with 1,150 copies sold since August 2022.
- The author is well-respected in the field and is the founder of CurveSome Yoga which is an organisation offering body-positive yoga and self-acceptance classes, making her well positioned to write on this topic.
- This book moves beyond the surface level discussions of exclusion in yoga to examine the origin of misconceptions and stereotypes and offer practical tools and solutions.
- The book includes interviews from different yoga practitioners and direct insights from the community.

### Reviews

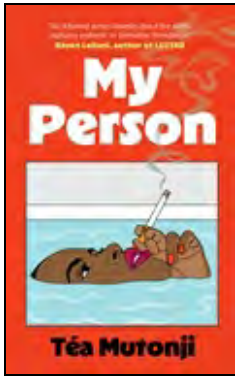
- 'A must read! *Demystifying Yoga* is Donna's story, my story, and the story of all practitioners who came to yoga from their longing to find their true self. It's the universal experience of empowerment, transformation, happiness and real fulfillment. Highly recommended!' - Kirti Khalsa, *CEO, Alzheimer's Research and Prevention Foundation*
- '*Demystifying Yoga* is an in depth and unique Yoga FAQ. As you read it, it is as if you are having an actual conversation with Donna; informative, engaging, light and funny at times, but still disruptive...We get to connect with Donna through her openly sharing how yoga was a major part of her healing journey from Bell's palsy, personal insights about how microaggressions within the yoga space affected both her and her students. It was also good to read of Donna's lived experience of the 8 Limbs of Yoga.' - Yvonne O'Garro, *Restorative Yoga Teacher*

### Author Biography

Donna Noble is a Yoga and Wellbeing Specialist, Educator and founder of CurvesomeYoga. She is known for her dedication to making yoga and wellbeing more accessible and inclusive. She is a social justice and diversity and inclusion advocate. As an original co-creator of the UK's first Black wellbeing and fitness festival, Donna is also a writer and her work has been featured across print and digital media including *HuffPost*, *Thrive Global*, *Stylist Magazine*, *Metro*, *OM Yoga & Lifestyle Magazine*, and on BBC and Channel 4. Donna is the author of *Teaching Body Positive Yoga* (Singing Dragon) and a contributor to the anthology *Forgiveness is The Hardest Thing* (Leschenault Press). She lives in London.

### Market

Yoga teachers, trainees and practitioners.



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Price	<b>£15.99 / ₹699</b>
Main Identifier	<b>9781846016547</b>
Thema 1.6	<b>Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA) Fiction / Literature / Comics / Graphic novels: narrative themes (FX) Fiction: literary and general non-genre (FB)</b>

Binding	<b>Trade Paperback</b>
Format	<b>Demy</b>
Extent	<b>272 pages</b>
Word Count	
Illustrations	<b>n/a</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>Cw; Ire</b>
Not for Sale	<b>Can; UK; USA</b>

Book locale	<b>Toronto</b>
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Author living in	<b>Toronto</b>

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## My Person

### The witty, razor-sharp debut novel about a big BFF break-up

**Téa Mutonji**

#### Keynote

**A bold debut from an exhilarating, multi-award-winning young writer, about two lifelong BFFs who find themselves in an emotional deadlock when one abruptly proposes that they end the friendship**

#### Description

**'Mutonji writes sharply about the subtle ruptures endemic to formative friendships' RAVEN LEILANI**  
**'Nuanced and fearless . . . Told with subtlety and verve' NUSSAIBAH YOUNIS**  
**'Sexy, infuriating, and unbelievably fun . . . This is a writer who can read someone to filth in just one line' KATIE YEE**

*'I want to, like, I don't know how else to say it but, I want to unknow you.'*

*A moment of silence. Then Margot started laughing.*

Tania and Margot, best friends for over twenty years, are preparing to host their monthly dinner party when Tania tells Margot this isn't working for her anymore. But how do you extricate yourself from someone whose family owns your apartment, who has taken you in as their own, even claims you as their 'person'?

In the midst of a tense will-they-won't-they break-up, Tania and Margot are forced to reckon with where it all went wrong . . . or whether they were simply wrong for each other to begin with.

A taut, piercing exploration of girlhood and identity, and the ways in which world-defining friendships can be both beautiful and excruciating, *My Person* is an addictive, astutely observed novel from a major new talent.

#### Sales Points

- **YOUNG AND IMPRESSIVE AUTHOR:** *My Person* started as Téa Mutonji's thesis project at NYU where she received the Jill Davis Fellowship for her MFA in Fiction, working with Joyce Carol Oates, Raven Leilani and Brandon Taylor, among others. Before that, Mutonji won the prestigious Edmund White Fiction Award, the Trillium Book Award, and was shortlisted for the Atwood Gibson Writers' Trust Fiction Prize, for her short story collection, *Shut Up, You're Pretty*, which hit the Canadian bestseller list purely through word-of-mouth promotion.
- **TIMELY AND IMPORTANT, YET ACCESSIBLE:** *My Person* is a vital, timely look at race and privilege, but is also psychologically taut, morally elusive, addictively cringe-worthy, and most importantly, a voicey, wild ride of a read.
- **HOT-BUTTON TOPIC:** Friendship breakups are a hot topic, and many notable outlets like the *Cut*, *New York Times*, and *Elle* have explored this subject - one that is already permeating the cultural zeitgeist as evidenced by recent releases like *Yellowface*. Mutonji's offering taps into contemporary girl culture in a particularly fresh and exciting way.
- **INTERNATIONAL LAUNCH:** Brazen Books scooped up *My Person* after it sold to Random House Canada in a big auction, in which almost every in-house imprint participated. We will be publishing simultaneously with PRH Canada and Putnam in the US, with lots more international buzz to come.
- **LITERARY BRAND:** As a Congolese author, Mutonji aspires to pen stories rooted in defying cultural expectations, and about realistic Black women who are allowed to be complex. Her writing to date achieves this and more, and her second novel will be even more expansive and ambitious in scope - more to come!

#### Reviews

- 'Téa Mutonji writes sharply about the subtle ruptures endemic to formative friendships' - Raven Leilani, *author of LUSTER*
- 'A nuanced and fearless exploration of friendship, family, race and class, and the extraordinary pressures of coming of age as an artist, told with subtlety and verve' - Nussaibah Younis, *author of FUNDAMENTALLY*
- 'Sexy, infuriating, and unbelievably fun to read. . . . This is a writer who can read someone to filth in just one line' - Katie Yee, *author of MAGGIE*
- 'Unlike anything I've read before, teeming with pathos, authenticity and wit . . . An explosive debut from a once-in-a-generation talent' - Jasmine Sealy, *author of THE ISLAND OF FORGETTING*

#### Author Biography

**Téa Mutonji's** first book, the story collection *Shut Up You're Pretty*, was shortlisted for the Atwood Gibson Writers' Trust Fiction Prize (2019) and won the Edmund White Debut Fiction Award (2020) and the Trillium Book Award (2020). *My Person* started as her thesis project at NYU, where she received the Jill Davis Fellowship. This is her first novel.

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## Please Form Pairs THE #1 GIRL-EAT-GIRL JAPANESE SENSATION

Chiren Kina

### Keynote

**SQUID GAME** meets **MEAN GIRLS** in this hit sensation about keeping up and staying (barely) alive in a girl-eat-girl Japan

### Description

**<h5>MEAN GIRLS MEETS SQUID GAME</h5>**

**<h4>ARE YOU READY TO PLAY?</h4>**

**<h5>THE #1 JAPANESE HIT ABOUT KEEPING UP AND STAYING (BARELY) ALIVE</h5>**

1. *Please form pairs*
2. *You cannot pair with someone twice*
3. *Anyone without a partner will be executed*

Mishin Mizushima isn't *nearly* cool enough by Japanese standards. Not even her mum is a fan, ditching her in their micro-apartment to shack up with a sugar daddy.

At school, towering alpha females move and think as a single, terrifyingly beautiful organism. The betas know to lay low. The rest grovel at the bottom of the sparkly food chain.

But one day, a new teacher dares to question the natural order with a simple instruction - and unleashes a gladiatorial catfight for survival.

***Please Form Pairs* is a candy-coated death game where every doll must play by three rules: keep up, be liked, and stay (barely) alive in a girl-eat-girl world.**

**<h5>LET THE GAMES BEGIN</h5>**

### Sales Points

- **SQUID GAME** meets **MEAN GIRLS** with **100k+ copies sold in the first year alone**
- **COMMERCIAL CROSSOVER** blending Japanese mysteries like *STRANGE PICTURES* (46k) with the dark chick-lit of *BUNNY* (73k) in a *SQUID GAME* setup
- **MULTIPLE ADAPTATIONS:** *PLEASE FORM PAIRS* is being developed into a TV show and anime, as well as a manga illustrated by one of the biggest names in women's manga.
- **BRAND PARTNERSHIP:** Japanese cool has brought the world Pokémon, Tamagotchi and everyone's favourite furry: Labubu (as seen on Kim K). Marketing are in talks with UK shops ki:ts and Pick Store.
- **PERSONAL ANGLE:** Japan saw a record number of bullying cases reported last year, driven by a national culture of extreme social pressure. 'I myself was at the bottom of the food chain back in school,' reveals Chiren.

### Author Biography

**CHIREN KINA** began writing in her student years and made her professional debut after winning the R-18 Literature Prize for Women by Women. Her novel *Please Form Pairs* has sold over 130,000 copies in print in Japan.

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## Six Four

**Hideo Yokoyama**

**Translated by Jonathan Lloyd-Davies**

### Keynote

**The Japanese crime sensation that sold over a million copies. Now part of the MacLehose Crime Classics.**

### Description

\*Shortlisted for the 2016 CWA International Dagger\*

READ THE MILLION-SELLING JAPANESE CRIME PHENOMENON, NOW A UK BESTSELLER.

### SIX FOUR.

**THE NIGHTMARE NO PARENT COULD ENDURE.**

**THE CASE NO DETECTIVE COULD SOLVE.**

**THE TWIST NO READER COULD PREDICT.**

For five days in January 1989, the parents of a seven-year-old Tokyo schoolgirl sat and listened to the demands of their daughter's kidnapper. They would never learn his identity. They would never see their daughter again.

For the fourteen years that followed, the Japanese public listened to the police's apologies. They would never forget the botched investigation that became known as 'Six Four'. They would never forgive the authorities their failure.

For one week in late 2002, the press officer attached to the police department in question confronted an anomaly in the case. He could never imagine what he would uncover. He would never have looked if he'd known what he would find.

### Sales Points

- Shortlisted for the 2016 CWA International Dagger.
- *Six Four* has sold in excess of 1.3 million copies in its native Japan, and was a top 10 bestseller in its UK hardback edition.
- Combines the impossible mystery of *The Devotion of Suspect X* with the percolating tension and shattering denouement of *Presumed Innocent*.
- Provides an eye-opening insight into the workings of the Japanese police and press, in the way that only bestselling non-fiction books, such as Richard Lloyd Parry's *People Who Eat Darkness*, have previously achieved.
- Ranked the Number 1 Domestic Mystery of 2012 by the weekly magazine *Shukan bunshun*, the Number 1 Mystery Title in Japan's 2013 *Konomys* rankings, and personally recommended by Tokyo's leading crime editor as the foremost Japanese crime novel of the century.

### Reviews

- 'Not only is *Six Four* an addictive read, it is an education about Japan, its police and its society, and **simply one of the best crime novels I have ever read.**' - David Peace
- 'A classic plot about a decent cop painstakingly uncovering corruption suddenly turns into **one of the most remarkable revenge dramas in modern detective fiction.**' - *Sunday Times*
- '**It's very different, in tone, narrative and style, from almost anything out there** . . . the twist and the pay-off are worth the wait.' - *Observer*
- 'A huge hit in Japan and it's easy to see why . . . steadily gathers menace and power until it becomes **addictive.**' - *The Times*

### Author Biography

#### Hideo Yokoyama (Author)

Born in 1957, Hideo Yokoyama worked for twelve years as an investigative reporter with a regional newspaper north of Tokyo, before becoming one of Japan's most acclaimed fiction writers. His exhaustive and relentless work ethic is known to mirror the intense and obsessive behaviour of his characters; and in January 2003 he was hospitalized following a heart attack brought about by working constantly for seventy-two hours. *Six Four* is his sixth novel, and his first to be published in the English language.

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Publication date **Thursday, August 13, 2026**

Price **£14.99 / ₹999**

Main Identifier **9781529452280**

Thema 1.6 **Crime and / or mystery fiction (FF)  
Fiction in translation (FYT)  
Japan (1FPJ)**

Binding **Paperback**

Format **B Format**

Extent **656 pages**

Word Count

Illustrations **N/A**

Exclusively for Sale **World (ex USA)**

Not for Sale **USA**

In-House Editor **Jon Riley**

Book locale **Tokyo**

Author born in **Tokyo**

Author living in **Tokyo**

### Previous Titles

9781786484635 Prefecture D

9781786484604 Seventeen

9781848665255 Six Four

9781529411133 The North Light

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 **Refer to Publisher**

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US **Refer to Publisher**

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## The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo

The genre-defining thriller that introduced the world to Lisbeth Salander

Stieg Larsson

### Keynote

The bestselling book which started the Millennium series, a global phenomenon and Sweden's greatest literary success ever. Now a MacLehose Crime Classic.

### Description

Meet Lisbeth Salander - the iconic character who has captivated 100 million readers worldwide.

"As vivid as bloodstains on snow . . . a perfect introduction to the unique strengths of Scandinavian crime fiction" LEE CHILD

Lisbeth Salander gets under the skin of her targets like no-one else. Those who underestimate her live to regret it. If they're lucky . . .

Mikael Blomkvist - disgraced journalist, womanizer - is everything she ought to hate. But when she is hired by a security firm to investigate him, her report on his life reveals an integrity that fascinates her.

Then she discovers that Blomkvist is cracking open the cold case of a missing girl - uncovering secrets that have poisoned a family through generations.

And only one thing gives Salander greater satisfaction than exposing a liar: stopping a killer.

With an introduction by Val McDermid

\*\*\* Want more Lisbeth? THE GIRL WITH ICE IN HER VEINS is available to order now \*\*\*

### Sales Points

- Stieg Larsson's Millennium Trilogy has sold 73 million copies worldwide, including 6 million through the UK TCM
- The trilogy has inspired a major Hollywood film directed by David Fincher, and three Swedish language adaptations
- MacLehose Crime Classics showcase our most successful crime novels from across the globe, from Scandi noir to Japanese bestsellers, European psychological thrillers to Israeli literary suspense. It is our aim to expand this classics series as we acquire more international titles (especially bestsellers from East Asia).

### Reviews

- 'I doubt you will read a better book this year' - Val McDermid
- 'Intelligent, complex, with a gripping plot and deeply intriguing characters. The author's early death is a great loss' - Philip Pullman
- 'What a cracking novel! I haven't read such a stunning thriller debut for years. Brilliantly written and totally gripping' - Minette Walters

### Author Biography

Stieg Larsson was the Editor-in-Chief of the magazine Expo. He was a leading expert on anti-democratic, right-wing extremist organisations. He died in 2004, soon after delivering the text of the novels that make up the Millennium Trilogy.

Embargo Date	Wednesday, December 30, 2009
Publication date	Thursday, August 13, 2026
Price	£12.99 / ₹899
Main Identifier	9781529452297
Thema 1.6	Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA) Crime and / or mystery fiction (FF) Thriller / suspense fiction (FH) Fiction in translation (FYT)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	544 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Series	Millennium Series, Millennium
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
In-House Editor	Paul Engles

Book locale	Sweden
Author born in	Stockholm
Author living in	Deceased

### Previous Titles

9781906694166 The Girl Who Kicked the Hornets' Nest  
 9781847245564 The Girl Who Played With Fire

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher
Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
Large print	Refer to Publisher
Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
US	Refer to Publisher



## The Truth About the Harry Quebert Affair

### From the master of the plot twist

Joël Dicker

#### Keynote

The phenomenal breakthrough novel from the master of the plot twist. More than 7 million copies sold. Now a MacLehose Crime Classic.

#### Description

**THE PHENOMENAL BREAKTHROUGH NOVEL FROM THE MASTER OF THE PLOT TWIST. MORE THAN 7 MILLION COPIES SOLD**

"A top-class literary thriller" *The Times*

"The cleverest, creepiest book you'll read this year" *Daily Telegraph*

**August 30, 1975. The day of the disappearance. The day Somerset, New Hampshire, lost its innocence.**

That summer, struggling author Harry Quebert fell in love with Nola Kellergan. Thirty-three years later, her body is dug up from his yard, along with a manuscript copy of the novel that made him a household name. Quebert is the only suspect.

Marcus Goldman - Quebert's most gifted protégé - throws off his writer's block to clear his mentor's name. Solving the case and penning a new bestseller soon merge into one. As his book begins to take on a life of its own, the nation is gripped by the mystery of 'The Girl Who Touched the Heart of America'.

But with Nola, in death as in life, nothing is ever as it seems.

**\*\*\*MARCUS GOLDMANN AND PERRY GAHALWOOD RETURN IN A NEW TWISTY SEQUEL - THE ALASKA SANDERS AFFAIR - AVAILABLE NOW\*\*\***

#### Reader Reviews

"Loved it! Recommend 200%"

"For anybody after an engrossing crime thriller to lose themselves in, as much character as plot driven, I can certainly recommend this"

"An engrossing page turner of a novel that had me hooked from start to finish"

"I can't recommend it too highly"

Translated from the French by Sam Taylor

#### Sales Points

- More than 120,000 copies sold through the UK TCM
- Among the bestselling literary debuts of 2014
- A breathtaking international phenomenon: a *New York Times* and *Sunday Times* Top 10 bestseller; 900,000 copies sold in France, 400,000 in Italy, 160,000 in Spain, 90,000 in Germany
- Selected for Simon Mayo's BBC Radio 2 Book Club
- MacLehose Crime Classics showcase our most successful crime novels from across the globe, from Scandi noir to Japanese bestsellers, European psychological thrillers to Israeli literary suspense. It is our aim to expand this classics series as we acquire more international titles (especially bestsellers from East Asia).

#### Reviews

- 'Maybe, just possibly, the book of the year' - *Simon Mayo*
- 'An expertly realised, addictive Russian doll of a whodunnit' - Fanny Blake, *Daily Mail*
- 'A top-class literary thriller that smoothly outclasses its rivals' - Melissa Katsoulis, *The Times*
- 'Should delight any reader who has felt bereft since finishing *Gone Girl* or Stieg Larsson's Millennium Trilogy' - Patricia Nicol, *Metro*

#### Author Biography

Joël Dicker was born in Geneva in 1985, where he studied Law. *The Truth about the Harry Quebert Affair* was nominated for the Prix Goncourt and won the Grand Prix du Roman de l'Académie Française and the Prix Goncourt des Lycéens. It has sold more than 7 million

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Publication date	<b>Thursday, August 13, 2026</b>
Price	<b>£12.99 / ₹999</b>
Main Identifier	<b>9781529452273</b>
Thema 1.6	<b>Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA) Fiction in translation (FYT)</b>

Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
Format	<b>B Format</b>
Extent	<b>624 pages</b>
Word Count	
Illustrations	<b>N/A</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>Cw; Ire; UK</b>
Not for Sale	<b>Can; USA</b>
In-House Editor	<b>Paul Engles</b>

Book locale	<b>New Hampshire, USA</b>
Author born in	<b>Geneva, Switzerland</b>
Author living in	<b>Geneva, Switzerland</b>

#### Previous Titles

9781529433814	The Alaska Sanders Affair
9780857056863	The Baltimore Boys
9780857059208	The Disappearance of Stephanie Mailer
9781529425253	The Enigma of Room 622
9780857053091	The Truth About the Harry Quebert Affair
9781529447811	Wild Animal

1st Serial	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
2nd Serial	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Audio	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Dramatisation and documentary	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Electronic	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Film and TV	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Large print	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Podcast	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Translation	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Undramatised (straight) reading	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
US	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>



## Three an intricate thriller of deception and hidden identities

**D. A. Mishani**  
Translated by **Jessica Cohen**

### Keynote

**A bestselling dark psychological thriller with a killer twist. Now a MacLehose Crime Classic.**

### Description

**Winner of the Prix Mystère de la Critique 2021**  
**Longlisted for the CWA Dagger for Crime Fiction in Translation 2021**

**\*TRANSLATED BY BOOKER PRIZE WINNER JESSICA COHEN\***

*Three* tells the stories of three women: **Orna**, a divorced single-mother looking for a new relationship; **Emilia**, a Latvian immigrant on a spiritual search; and **Ella**, married and mother of three, returning to University to write her thesis. All of them will meet the same man. His name is Gil. He won't tell them the whole truth about himself - but they don't tell him everything either.

<font size="+1"> Tense, twisted and surprising, *Three* is a daring new form of psychological thriller. **It is a declaration of war against the normalisation of death and violence.** Slowly but surely, you see the danger each woman walks into. What you won't see is the trap being laid - until it snaps shut.</font>

### Sales Points

- Went straight to #1 in Israel, beating Michelle Obama and JoJo Moyes and sold over 10,000 copies in three weeks.
- Published as a big international translated thriller at Quercus along the lines of Leila Slimani's *Lullaby* and Hideo Yokoyama's *Six Four*
- Translation rights sold in English, French, German, Italian, Spanish and Catalan
- By the author of the acclaimed Detective Avraham Avraham series, a former publisher and crime fiction expert
- DA Mishani's Avraham Avraham novels were translated into more than twenty languages, shortlisted for the CWA international dagger award and the Grand Prix de Littérature Policière and won the prestigious Martin Beck award for best crime novel translated to Swedish and the Grand Prix du meilleur Polar de lecteurs de Points.

### Reviews

- '**Dror Mishani writes with profound originality**' - *Henning Mankell*
- '**Dror Mishani has reached the world league of crime fiction**' - *Die Zeit, Germany*
- '**Dror Mishani marvellously handles the art of suspense**' - *Les Echos, France*
- '**Dror Mishani is one of the greatest new writers in the genre**' - *Politiken, Denmark*

### Author Biography

Dror A. Mishani is an international bestselling crime writer, screenwriter and literary scholar, specializing in the history of crime fiction. His bestselling Inspector Avraham series (The Missing File, A Possibility of Violence, The Man Who Wanted to Know) was translated into more than 20 languages. They were shortlisted for the CWA international dagger award and the Grand Prix de Littérature Policière and won the prestigious Martin Beck award for best crime novel translated to Swedish and the Grand Prix du meilleur Polar de lecteurs de Points. A successful French cine movie (Fleuve Noire) and an Israeli TV series based on the Inspector Avraham series were released in 2018/2019. A TV adaptation of The Missing File is in development with major American writer/producer David E. Kelley and NBCUniversal for Peacock. His stand alone thriller *Three* was again an international bestseller, received the Prix Mystère de la Critique and is longlisted for the CWA Crime Fiction in Translation Dagger. An English language TV adaptation of *Three* is in development with Keshet International. *Conviction* is shortlisted for Israel's most prestigious literary award, the Sapir Prize.

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Publication date	<b>Thursday, August 13, 2026</b>
Price	<b>£12.99 / ₹699</b>
Main Identifier	<b>9781529452303</b>
Thema 1.6	<b>Crime and / or mystery fiction (FF) Thriller / suspense fiction (FH)</b>

Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
Format	<b>B Format</b>
Extent	<b>304 pages</b>
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	<b>Cw (ex Can); EU; UK</b>
Not for Sale	<b>Can; USA</b>
In-House Editor	<b>Jon Riley</b>

Book locale	<b>Israel</b>
Author born in	<b>Israel</b>
Author living in	<b>Tel Aviv</b>

### Previous Titles

9781780876528	A Possibility of Violence
9781784297473	Conviction
9781784296902	The Man Who Wanted to Know
9781780876481	The Missing File

1st Serial	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
2nd Serial	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Audio	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Dramatisation and documentary	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Electronic	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Film and TV	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Large print	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Podcast	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Translation	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Undramatised (straight) reading	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
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## Even the Darkest Night A Terra Alta Investigation

**Javier Cercas**  
Translated by Anne McLean

### Keynote

**A Terra Alta novel. Winner of Spain's biggest literary prize - the Premio Planeta. Now part of the MacLehose Crime Classics.**

### Description

**\*Financial Times Best Summer Books 2022\***

**"A gem of a book, easily the best I've read this year. A contemporary police procedural with a literary edge. I was rooting for the flawed, but deeply compassionate Melchor Marín from the first page to the last. Highly recommended" M W Craven**

**A Terra Alta Investigation. Winner of Spain's biggest literary prize - the Premio Planeta**

When Melchor goes to investigate the horrific double-murder of a rich printer and his wife in rural Cataluña nothing quite adds up. The young cop from the big city, hero of a foiled terrorist attack, has been sent to Terra Alta till things quieten down. Observant, streetwise and circumspect, Melchor is an also an outsider.

The son of a Barcelona prostitute who never knew his father, Melchor rapidly fell into trouble and was jailed at 19, convicted of driving for a Colombian drug cartel. While he was behind bars, he read Hugo's *Les Misérables*, and then his mother was murdered. Admiring of both Jean Valjean and Javert - but mostly the relentless Javert - he decided to become a policeman.

Now he is out for revenge, but he can wait, and meanwhile he has discovered happiness with his wife, the local librarian, and their daughter, who is, of course, called Cossette.

Slowly at first, and then more rapidly once ordered to abandon the case, he tracks the clues that will reveal the larger truth behind what appears at first to be a cold-blooded, professional killing.

**Translated from the Spanish by Anne McLean**

### Sales Points

- First crime novel by one of Europe's leading writers
- Engaging hero - Melchor Marín - who will return in future novels
- Set in a backwater of Cataluña where nothing ever happens, but which becomes a lightning rod for many of Spain's tensions, old and new
- Javier Cercas is the author of *Soldiers of Salamis*, *The Impostor* and *Lord of All the Dead*
- MacLehose Crime Classics showcase our most successful crime novels from across the globe, from Scandi noir to Japanese bestsellers, European psychological thrillers to Israeli literary suspense. It is our aim to expand this classics series as we acquire more international titles (especially bestsellers from East Asia).

### Reviews

- *'Even The Darkest Night is a gem of a book, easily the best I've read this year. A contemporary police procedural with a literary edge. I was rooting for the flawed, but deeply compassionate Melchor Marín from the first page to the last. Highly recommended' - M W Craven*
- *'A wonderful novel. I look forward to many more Melchor stories' - A N Wilson, Tablet*
- *'The first in what promises to be an excellent series' - Guardian, Laura Wilson*
- *'Striking' - Barry Forshaw, Financial Times*

### Author Biography

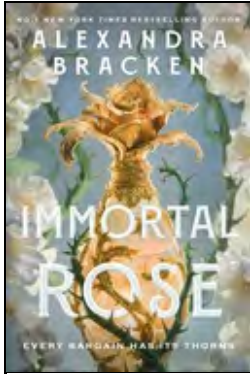
Javier Cercas was born in 1962. He is a novelist, short-story writer and columnist, whose books include *Soldiers of Salamis* (which sold more than a million copies worldwide, won six literary awards in Spain and was filmed by David Trueba), *The Tenant and The Motive*, *The Speed of Light* and *The Anatomy of a Moment*. His books have been translated into more than twenty languages. He lives in Barcelona.

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Publication date	<b>Thursday, August 13, 2026</b>
Price	<b>£12.99 / ₹799</b>
Main Identifier	<b>9781529452266</b>
Thema 1.6	<b>Crime and / or mystery fiction (FF) Spain (1DSE) 1936-1939 (Spanish Civil War period) (3MPBGJ-ES-B)</b>
Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
Format	<b>B Format</b>
Extent	<b>352 pages</b>
Word Count	
Illustrations	<b>N/A</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>Cw (ex Can); EU; UK</b>
Not for Sale	<b>Can; USA</b>
In-House Editor	<b>Paul Engles</b>
Book locale	<b>Spain</b>
Author born in	<b>Spain</b>
Author living in	<b>Spain</b>

### Previous Titles

9781529436204	Fortress of Evil
9780857058324	Lord of All the Dead
9781529422481	Prey for the Shadow
9780857056535	The Blind Spot
9780857056504	The Impostor

1st Serial	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
2nd Serial	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Audio	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Dramatisation and documentary	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Electronic	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Film and TV	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Large print	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Podcast	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Translation	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Undramatised (straight) reading	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
US	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>



Publication date	<b>Tuesday, August 18, 2026</b>
Price	<b>£15.99 / ₹999</b>
Main Identifier	<b>9781911769040</b>
Thema 1.6	<b>Fantasy romance / Romantic fantasy (FMR) Historical fantasy (FMH)</b>

Binding	<b>Trade Paperback</b>
Format	<b>Royal</b>
Extent	<b>496 pages</b>
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	<b>Cw; Ire; UK</b>
Not for Sale	<b>Can; USA</b>

## Immortal Rose

**An achingly romantic, slow-burn love story set in a world ruled by magical perfume from the bestselling author of Lore**

**Alexandra Bracken**

### Keynote

Sumptuous new adult fantasy with an intoxicating romance that will flood your senses from bestselling author Alexandra Bracken

### Description

**From Alexandra Bracken, the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Lore*, comes a stunningly original adult fantasy. Set in a sumptuous world ruled by magical perfume, this achingly romantic, slow-burn love story will shatter your heart and leave you breathless.**

Members of the ancient Rosebourne family have a strange gift born of a fairy ancestor: the ability to infuse fragrance with magic capable of manipulating mind, body, and emotion.

When a shocking murder leaves the kingdom of Albion vulnerable to a coup, royal spymaster Hugh Thornton seeks the one person who can help: Viola Lockwood, the last living Rosebourne and secret heir to a fraught legacy.

Livid at the silver-eyed aristocrat who had her thrown in jail to force her compliance, Viola nevertheless comes to an agreement with him. In exchange for crafting Immortal Rose, the singular perfume capable of saving Albion, illegitimate Viola can seize the life - and fortune - that should have been hers.

As Hugh and Viola race to find the perfume's lost fairy ingredient, hidden deep in Albion's dark underbelly, neither can deny the scorching attraction building between them - especially as the attempts on Viola's life grow increasingly brazen.

But a terrible truth lurks in the heart notes of their kingdom - and while every bargain has a cost, Immortal Rose may demand more than Hugh and Viola can ever pay.

**"Sensuous and enthralling, *Immortal Rose* blooms. This is the magical *Bridgerton* I've been waiting for with a vibrant heroine, an exceptional world, and my favorite kind of love story - a dangerous one." - Victoria Aveyard, No.1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Red Queen***

Filled with intoxicating romance that will flood your senses, IMMORTAL ROSE is the adult debut from no.1 *New York Times* bestselling author Alexandra Bracken. Bracken has also published a number of brilliant titles for teen readers - read them now: LORE, PASSENGER, WAYFARER and THE DARKEST MINDS series.

### Sales Points

- A New Adult duology, infused with magic and conspiracy - perfect for fans of Brigid Kemmerer and Elise Kova
- Set in a world resembling Regency England, with a struggle for the throne and a powerful magical family
- Alexandra Bracken is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Lore* and has sold over 145,000 copies in the UK (Nielsen TCM figure, 28.02.2026)
- Slow-burn romance with medium spice sex-scenes. We will be positioning this for older readers and flagging 18+ content in any promotions

### Reviews

- **'Sensuous and enthralling, *Immortal Rose* blooms. This is the magical *Bridgerton* I've been waiting for with a vibrant heroine, an exceptional world, and my favourite kind of love story - a dangerous one.'** - Victoria Aveyard, author of *The Red Queen*
- **'Lush, mysterious, and utterly transportive, *Immortal Rose* is a feast for fans of romantic fantasy.** Alexandra Bracken weaves a world as alluring as the rarest perfume, pairing unique magic with a deliciously slow-burn romance that left me breathless.' - Danielle L. Jensen, author of *A Fate Inked in Blood*
- **'A sparkling fantasy world with a romance so intoxicating that I have not been able to get it out of my head! *Immortal Rose* is filled with mystery, charm, and the fresh magic we've come to know and love from Bracken. Effervescent, glittering, and utterly captivating, I cannot wait for more!'** - Kaylie Smith, author of *Phantasma*
- **'Fresh and evocative, *Immortal Rose* delivers a vivid, redolent world with a captivating, slow-burn romance.** I'll be thinking of Viola and Hugh each time I reach for my own perfume.' - Stacia Stark, author of *We Who Will Die*

### Author Biography



Publication date	<b>Tuesday, August 04, 2026</b>
Price	<b>£16.99 / ₹999</b>
Main Identifier	<b>9781510113763</b>
Thema 1.6	<b>Children's / Teenage fiction: Fantasy romance (YFHR) Children's / Teenage fiction: Relationship stories (YFM) Children's / Teenage fiction: Magical realism / Magical fantasy (YFHD) Children's / Teenage fiction: Action and adventure stories (YFC) Interest age: from c 14 years (5AQ)</b>

CBMC	<b>E3N79</b>
Age	<b>12+</b>
Subject	<b>Fiction</b>
Type	<b>Ordinary Printed Book Format</b>
Character Tie In	<b>Non-character Non Tie-in</b>

Binding Format	<b>Trade Paperback Royal</b>
Extent	<b>400 pages</b>
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	<b>Cw; Ire</b>
Not for Sale	<b>Can; UK; USA</b>

#### Publishing History

*Wings of Starlight*  
For adults: *A Dark and Drowning Tide*

#### Previous Titles

9781510112117 *A Fragile Enchantment*  
9781510113688 *Down Comes the Night*  
9781510113732 *Immortal Game*

## Immortal Game

**An irresistible romantic fantasy brimming with rivals-to-lovers tension, deadly competition, and beautiful, cruel fae**

**Allison Saft**

#### Keynote

**An utterly irresistible YA fantasy brimming with deadly competition, beautiful, cruel fae and an enemies-to-lovers sapphic romance, from the No. 1 *New York Times* bestselling author Allison Saft.**

#### Description

**No. 1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *Wings of Starlight***

**'Romantic, moving, and utterly magical'** Ava Reid, author of *A Study in Drowning*

**'A daring and imaginative tale of moves and countermoves'** Rachel Gillig, author of *The Knight and the Moth*

**'A lush, thrilling novel that's heartfelt and captivating from start to finish'** Kiersten White, author of *Lucy Undying*

**'From the sparkling opening to the riveting end-game, I adored every single line'** Sydney J. Shields, author of *The Honey Witch*

Ever since Shea Fury's sister was stolen by the High King of the Fae, Shea has dreamed of rescuing her. When an invitation to compete in a once-in-a-lifetime chess tournament in the Otherworld arrives on Shea's doorstep, she learns the winner is granted one wish.

But dark magic lurks around every corner, and her cutthroat opponents are willing to bend the rules to make their own wishes come true. To make it to the final round - and save her sister - Shea is forced to strike an alliance with her longtime rival, the sharply beautiful fae princess, Ciara of Bri Leith. One wrong move, though, and it could cost her everything.

**In *Immortal Game*, Allison Saft has written a high-stakes sapphic love story filled with plot twists and competitive tension set against a lush, Irish folklore-inspired fantasy world. *The Cruel Prince* meets Ali Hazelwood's *Check & Mate*. Perfect for fans of *The Rose Bargain*, *Powerless*, and *Belladonna*.**

*More praise for Immortal Game:*

**'Court intrigue, competitive chess, and sapphic romance with unapologetically intellectual heroines, the result is a mesmerizing take on fae fantasy'**

Publisher's Weekly starred review

**'As well-woven and irresistible as a fae bargain'** C. L. Herman, co-author of *All of Us Villains*

#### Sales Points

- Allison Saft has multiple frontlist bestsellers in the market, including her adult novel *A Dark and Drowning Tide*, and the YA Disney tie-in *Wings of Starlight: Immortal Game* appeals across these booming fanbases
- Perfect content for the TikTok audience: enemies-to-lovers sapphic romance, glamour and glitz of beautiful and cruel faeries and the brutality of a cut-throat and deadly chess competition
- This is a romantic sapphic fantasy - two strong trends in the market combined into one compelling commercial read
- Compelling prose, great world-building and fantasy setting makes this the perfect next book from Allison Saft to springboard from the success of *A Far Wilder Magic* and *A Fragile Enchantment*
- Allison receiving significant retailer and consumer support, with a Waterstones special edition of *A Dark and Drowning Tide*, a FairyLoot sub-box edition of *A Fragile Enchantment*

#### Reviews

- 'A daring and imaginative tale of moves and countermoves-and how both are helpless in the face of love. Allison Saft's adoration for characters Shea and Ciara, for fae and folklore, and of course, for the game of chess, shines brilliantly. I simply love everything she writes.' - *Rachel Gillig #1 New York Times bestselling author of The Knight and the Moth*
- 'Clever, lush, and deeply romantic, *Immortal Game* is a captivating story about what it takes for a pawn to become a queen. From the sparkling opening to the riveting end-game, I adored every single line.' - *Sydney Shields, #1 Sunday Times bestselling*

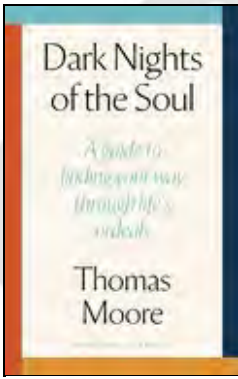


Alexandra Bracken is the No. 1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *Lore*, *Silver in the Bone*, *Passenger*, *Wayfarer*, *The Darkest Minds* series and the *Prosper Redding* series. After selling her debut novel in college, Alex worked in children's publishing for several years before leaving to write full time. She now lives in Arizona, where she was born and raised. Visit her online at [www.alexandrabracken.com](http://www.alexandrabracken.com) and on Twitter and Instagram @alexbracken

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## Dark Nights Of The Soul A guide to finding your way through life's ordeals

Thomas Moore

### Author Biography

Thomas Moore is the author of the phenomenal bestseller CARE OF THE SOUL. He lived as a Catholic monk for 12 years and later became a psychotherapist, with degrees in theology, musicology and religion. He now lectures extensively throughout the world.

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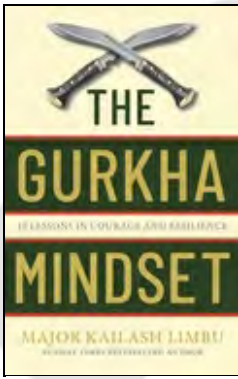
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## The Gurkha Mindset 10 Lessons in Courage and Resilience

Kailash Limbu

### Keynote

*Sunday Times* bestselling author and Gurkha soldier Kailash Limbu shows readers how to conquer adversity, find inner strength and lead with honour as he shares the lessons he's learned from a decorated career in the British Army.

### Description

**Discover the secrets of the Gurkha mindset and learn how to live courageously**

Captain Kailash Limbu has been on five tours of active service in Afghanistan with the Gurkhas. Over more than two decades in the British Army, he has been on the front line of the fighting in Helmand Province, on risky resupply missions and operations in Sierra Leone, and shared moments of peace and happiness with his brothers in the mess. All these experiences have shaped a man of rare honesty, courage and humility.

In *The Gurkha Way*, he shares the moments that made him, the lessons he has learned and the principles at the heart of the Gurkha mindset, so that readers too can conquer adversity, find their inner strength, embrace life's challenges and lead with honour.

### Sales Points

- Captain Kailash Limbu is the *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *Gurkha* (L,B Abacus) which has sold more than 67k copies (TCM) and invoiced 144k.
- *The Gurkha Way* is the first book to reveal the secrets of the Gurkha mindset in 10 simple lessons that readers can apply to their own lives
- Lessons include x, y and z (TO FOLLOW)
- For readers of *Make Your Bed*, *Stand Up Straight* and books by the SAS: *Who Dares Wins* team. Will appeal to readers of personal development as well as readers interested in the military. The Gurkhas have long been an object of enduring fascination.

### Author Biography

Captain Kailash Limbu was born in 1981 in Khebang village, one of the most remote in the whole of Nepal. He joined the 2nd Battalion Royal Gurkha Rifles in 1999 and undertook five tours of active service in Afghanistan. He has also been on operations in Bosnia and Sierra Leone. Married with two children, he is currently serving in the UK.

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Thema 1.6	<b>Self-help, personal development and practical advice (VS) Autobiography: historical, political and military (DNBH1) Nepal (1FKN) Advice on careers and achieving success (VSC)</b>
Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
Format	<b>B Format</b>
Depth	<b>22mm</b>
Extent	<b>224 pages</b>
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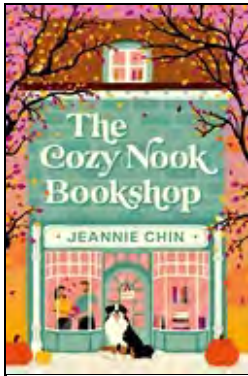
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## The Cozy Nook Bookshop

The unbelievably charming, cosy and feel-good small town romance

Jeannie Chin

### Keynote

A cosy, spicy, autumnal small-town romance, perfect for fans of *The Pumpkin Spice Café*

### Description

"Emma was so distracted worrying about her new job at the book store she slammed right into a brick wall. Only no. It wasn't brick. It was firm and warm and smelled like fresh pine and cedar. And she currently had her hand on its pecs."

Emma Rogers Li' is penniless, hopeless and adrift following her ex-fiancé bankrupting their publishing company then fleeing the country. Until a job listing to run a bookstore in the small town of Heart's Hope Crossing, Vermont winds up in her inbox, that is.

Emma may not believe in fate, but as she starts to spend time exploring the quirky small town with her handsome and enigmatic guide, she can't help but feel like maybe she was meant to end up here after all...

Gruff, bearded forest ranger Hunter Hall has his own ideas about fate. Mostly that it should keep its nose out of his business. He's built a life of solitude for himself, one where he can avoid experiencing heartbreak like his parents did. And besides, local legend about what happens to those who meet at the intersection of Heart and Hope Street is just superstition anyway, worthy only of his best eye rolls. Right?

### Sales Points

- **PERFECT FOR LOVERS OF THE PUMPKIN SPICE CAFÉ:** Since Laurie Gilmore stormed the charts with her cosy, spicy autumnal love story, fans' appetite for books in this space has been insatiable. Enter Jeannie Chin and the perfectly pitched *Heart's Hope Crossing* series.
- **TIKTOK TROPE HEAVEN:** The Cozy Nook Bookshop features every trope readers love in this space, including but not limited to #pumpkinspice #grumpyxsunshine and #forcedproximity.
- **SMALL TOWN ROMANCE:** This area of the romance market continues to boom, and Heart's Hope Crossing, and its cozy nook of a bookshop, delivers exactly the comforting small-town escape fans crave.
- **THE ULTIMATE FEEL-GOOD READ:** from the charming small town setting, to the quirky and adorable townspeople, to the delightful slow-burn romance, this story can't help but warm even the coldest of hearts.
- **FIRST IN A BRAND NEW SERIES** with the follow up due to publish in time for cosy season 2027.

### Author Biography

Jeannie Chin writes contemporary small-town romances. She draws on her experiences as a biracial Asian and white American to craft heartfelt stories that speak to a uniquely American experience.

She is a former high school science teacher, wife to a geeky engineer, and mom to an extremely talkative kindergartener. Her hobbies include crafting, reading, and hiking.

Publication date	Tuesday, August 25, 2026
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Binding	Paperback
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Extent	400 pages
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‘Such a unique author; dark humour at it’s absolute finest’ - J.M. Hewitt, author of *THE LIFE SHE WANTS*

### ‘PRAISE FOR THE AUTHOR

‘Utterly unique and an absolute roller-coaster of a read’ - *Daily Mail*

‘A pacey page turner, written in an enjoyably deadpan style’ - *Guardian*

‘First-class escapist entertainment’ - *Daily Express*

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# The Art of Getting Hammered

## JOANNA WALLACE

### KEYNOTE

A darkly funny and pulse-pounding thriller, for readers of Katy Brent and C.J. Skuse

### SALES POINTS

- From the author of *You'd Look Better as a Ghost*, winner of the Crime Fiction Lover Debut Novel of the Year
- Perfect for readers of Lisa Jewell and Harriet Tyce (350k TCM) by way of Bella Mackie (998k TCM), C.J. Skuse (55k TCM) and Katy Brent (169k TCM)

### DESCRIPTION

#### MURDER IS HER MASTERPIECE.

What use is a part-time serial killer who doesn't want to kill people? Once the terror of rude and irritating people everywhere, now Claire has lost her murderous mojo. Not even the overly chatty woman in the supermarket or the man who stole her neighbour's dog can motivate her to get out the zip ties.

Then a lucky break and a new job in the local pub gives Claire the perfect target: someone is spiking drinks and causing mayhem. But as Claire closes in on the culprit, punters start dropping like flies - and for once she's not the one doing the killing. Is someone else murdering on her patch? Claire has questions. And she's not afraid to use her hammer to get answers...

### AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

**Joanna Wallace** studied Law at Birmingham University before working as a commercial litigation solicitor in London. She now runs a family business and lives in Buckinghamshire with her husband, four children and two dogs. Her debut novel, *You'd Look Better as a Ghost*, won the Crime Fiction Lover Best Debut Novel in 2023. Her second novel, *The Dead Friend Project*, was published by Viper in 2024.

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A Thought  
Without Collision  
Adrian Duncan



**REVIEWS**

‘Adrian Duncan's account of a mathematical prodigy and the characters who shape her life is for me his best work yet. The dual timelines build into a compelling enquiry into how we perceive and affect the world that we pass through. It's very moving, very funny, and it will make your brain dance’ - Jo Lloyd

‘I was so impressed and moved by this novel. With formal innovation and elegant, blistering prose, Duncan offers a different model of novelistic causality, with characters that feel alive in their vivid and quiet complexity’ - Susannah Dickey

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# A Thought Without Collision

ADRIAN DUNCAN

**KEYNOTE**

A moving and revelatory study of love and intellect from the award-winning Irish writer

**SALES POINTS**

- Adrian Duncan has won the 2019 John McGahern Book Prize, been longlisted for the Edge Hill Prize and shortlisted for the Kerry Novel of the Year
- Historical fiction that brings rural Ireland and the Scottish coast to life, for fans of Claire Keegan, Paul Lynch and Colm Tóibín

**DESCRIPTION**

'An utterly distinctive voice in contemporary Irish literature' *Irish Times*

'One of our most original writers' *Irish Independent*

**Summer, 1923.** Six-year-old Catherine Carolan grows restless on her parents' farm. It's already clear that her intellect will soon outgrow the two-room schoolhouse across the fields. But in post-Civil War Ireland, an education is not an easy thing for a girl to access, and young Catherine is not the only one in her family who will come to tire of rural life.

**Summer, 1951.** To ease him through his final days, Dr. Josef Alois calls for someone from his past. Enter Catherine Carolan, now an Oxford professor. As Alois's mind and body falter, Catherine must decide how far she will follow this man that she loves.

A novel in two strands, *A Thought without Collision* is a beautiful meditation on how we construct our relationship to the world around us.

'An original voice, a writer who has come to recreate the world on his own terms'

**Colm Tóibín**

'An elegant rarity in contemporary fiction' **Cathy Sweeney**

**AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY**

Adrian Duncan is an Irish artist and writer. He is the author of *Love Notes from a German Building Site*, which won the John McGahern Book Prize, *A Sabbatical in Leipzig*, which was shortlisted for the Kerry Novel of the Year, *The Geometer Lobachevsky* and *The Gorgeous Inertia of the Earth*.

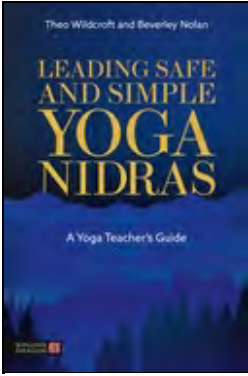
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## Leading Safe and Simple Yoga Nidras A Yoga Teacher's Guide

Theo Wildcroft and Beverley Nolan

### Keynote

A practical guide to creating and delivering safe and simple yoga nidras.

### Description

Learn how to create and deliver safe and simple yoga nidras, with confidence and creativity.

Experienced yoga teachers Theo Wildcroft and Beverley Nolan provide a comprehensive guide to teaching yoga nidras. While there are many resources available teaching you how to deliver another teacher's yoga nidras, few are designed to take you step by step through the process of learning to create and deliver your own.

Focusing on accessibility and simplicity, and with the participant's safety at the centre of their method, Wildcroft and Nolan present all the necessary tools to craft your own yoga nidras. From the science of sleep to the process of crafting a content structure, practical tips on how to avoid and resolve common difficulties and audio examples - this book is the essential guide to help you grow on your journey to becoming a competent and confident yoga teacher.

### Sales Points

- **Topical** - A number of yoga nidra lineages are subject to abuse allegations, making a book guiding readers to deliver yoga nidras with the participant's safety at the centre an essential resource.
- **Wide Readership Appeal** - Suitable for both yoga teaching students, those new to teaching yoga nidras, and experienced teachers aiming to improve their practice
- **Engaging blend of practice and theory** - the authors provide both practical, experience-based guidance and an overview of the history of and scientific theories behind yoga nidras, supported by their scholarly research.
- **Includes audio files** - example nidras and instructions are made accessible via audio recordings.

### Reviews

- 'There's an important paradox at the heart of the yoga teachings: more subtle is more powerful. Understanding this paradox is the key to making yoga practice accessible, and in so many ways this book is a shining example. With skill and dexterity, Wildcroft and Nolan slay a beast of confusion that surrounds yoga nidra. They clear the way for the thoughtful and welcome experience of yoga's most subtle and most powerful practice. A practice that takes us to the zenith of spiritual awakening through the gentle caress of rest, ease, and sleep. Thank you for the gift of *Leading Safe & Simple Yoga Nidras*. So many of us will benefit.' - *Jivana Heyman, author of Accessible Yoga*

### Author Biography

**Theo Wildcroft, PhD**, is a yoga teacher, trainer, writer and scholar. Her research considers the democratization of yoga post-lineage and the many different ways yoga communities are responding to concerns about safety in practice. She is at the forefront of the movement for trauma sensitivity, and diversity and inclusion. Theo is an honorary lifetime member of the British Wheel of Yoga and she is registered with the International Yoga Network (IYN RYT 500) and Yoga Alliance (E-RYT 500). She is also an Associate Lecturer at the Open University, UK, Coordinator of the SOAS Centre of Yoga Studies and a guest lecturer at a number of other universities. She lives in Wiltshire, UK.

**Beverley Nolan** is a yoga teacher and trainer with forty years experience and a somatic movement educator and therapist for twenty. Her practice and teaching centres the lived-experience of the body and movement through detailed attention to experiential anatomy, developmental movement, embryology, and embodied philosophy. She is Founder of Barefoot Body Training in Cambridge UK, offering professional trainings in yoga and somatics since 2018. Beverley is the author of the Substack publication *Field Notes From the Body*, and contributing author to two collections of essays on yoga and somatics. She holds accreditation with Yoga Alliance (E-RYT, YACEP), the International Somatic Movement Therapist & Educator Association (ISMETA), and is an Associate Member of the BodyMind Centering(c) Association. She lives in Cambridge, UK.

### Market

Yoga teachers new to facilitating yoga nidras, or those experienced but wanting to make their practice safer. Yoga teaching students and potentially practitioners interested in learning about the history and science of sleep and yoga nidras.

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Complementary therapies, healing and health (VXH)  
Mind, body, spirit: meditation and visualization (VXM)  
Psychology: states of consciousness (JMT)  
Coping with / advice about sleep problems (VFJV)**

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Illustrations **10-20 b/w images**

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### Previous Titles

Theo Wildcroft and Harriet McAtee (Editors), Foreword by Matthew Remski, *The Yoga Teacher's Survival Guide - Social Justice, Science, Politics, and Power*, July 2024 (9781805011668), 724 copies sold,

Beverley Nolan contributed Chapter 8  
Beverly Nolan (Contributor), Linda Hartley (Editor), Foreword by Martha Eddy and Don Hanlon Johnson, *The Fluid Nature of Being, Embodied Practices for Healing and Wholeness*, Chapter 5, Handspring, June 2022 (9781913426491), 350 copies sold

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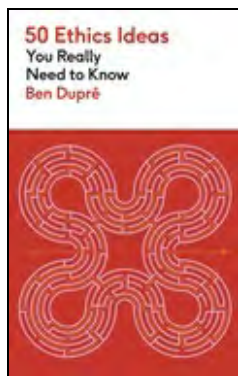
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## 50 Ethics Ideas You Really Need to Know

Ben Dupré

### Keynote

An accessible guide to the most pressing ethical questions today, in 50 accessible, bite-sized chapters.

### Description

**Discover the 50 ethics conversations that have shaped our lives and changed the course of history.**

Questions of ethics - about how we should act, our responsibilities to one another, the difference between right and wrong - have long been debated by philosophers the world over and form the foundations of government, culture and religion. Here, in 50 concise chapters, Ben Dupré explains the fundamentals of this discipline and how it is relevant to our lives every day.

Covering essential ethical concepts, including relativism, the golden rule and utilitarianism, as well as high-profile issues such as terrorism, censorship and the death penalty, *50 Ethics Ideas You Really Need to Know* will lead you through the moral maze - and rattle your conscience in the process.

### Sales Points

- **OVER ONE MILLION COPIES SOLD WORLDWIDE:** Popular Quercus series now repackaged in a small gifty A format - perfect for tillpoint placement in stores.
- **RIGHTS POTENTIAL:** Great co-edition potential, titles from this series have sold rights to territories across the globe. English-language editions have also sold well historically through export.
- **ACCESSIBLE:** These books introduce and condense big ideas, concepts and movements throughout history into accessible and easily digestible essays.

### Author Biography

Ben Dupré read Classics at Exeter College, Oxford before pursuing a career in reference publishing. He was Children's Reference Publisher at Oxford University Press from 1992 until 2004 and, all told, has more than 20 years' experience of bringing complex and challenging concepts to the widest possible audience.

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## 50 Feminism Ideas You Really Need to Know

Maya Oppenheim

### Keynote

A comprehensive introduction to feminism - the history, ideas, theory and contemporary issues - broken down into 50 bite-sized essays.

### Description

**Master the ideas that have shaped feminism throughout history.**

In a series of 50 accessible essays, author and journalist Maya Oppenheim explores the history, ideas and battle grounds that have defined and divided feminist movements.

With writing that spans the worlds of pop culture, literature, theory, politics, economics, art, science, activism and technology, the book charts the trajectory of an eclectic movement, which has long strived to make the world a fairer and less brutal place.

From the right to vote to reproductive rights, from protofeminist movements to psychoanalytical feminism, *50 Feminism Ideas You Really Need to Know* is a comprehensive, readable introduction to the most important feminist ideas throughout history. Using her experience as the first and only Women's Correspondent at a UK news outlet, Maya also delves into a range of contemporary issues, which feminist movements wrestle with today as the far right swells in power and the backlash to women's rights intensifies.

### Sales Points

- **Zeitgeist subject:** At a time when women's rights are being jeopardized all across the globe, this book will unpack the key ideas of feminism - from equality to reproductive rights and gender power to suffrage. This is a necessary addition to an authoritative series.
- **Accessibility:** The book will introduce and condense the key ideas of feminism, breaking the movement down into accessibly essays, making it perfect for a curious general reader.
- **Series track record:** With over one million copies sold worldwide to date, this series is now repackaged is a small gifty A format - great for tillpoint placement.

### Author Biography

Maya Oppenheim is a journalist and author of *The Pocket Guide to the Patriarchy*. She is the former Women's Correspondent at *The Independent* and was the first and only person to have this job title at a UK news outlet.

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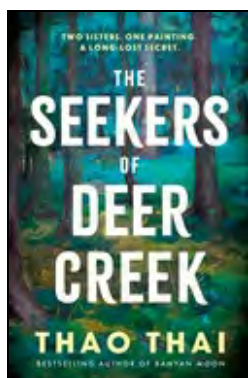
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### Previous Titles

*The Pocket Guide to the Patriarchy* (Trapeze, 2023)

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 Dramatisation and documentary **Refer to Publisher**  
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## The Seekers of Deer Creek

Thao Thai

### Keynote

From the author of the Read With Jenna bookclub pick, *Banyan Moon*, comes a captivating and evocative story of two estranged sisters on a quest to find a painting by a forgotten Vietnamese artist that holds the truth of their family's fractured past.

### Description

From the author of *Banyan Moon*, comes a captivating and evocative story of two estranged sisters on a quest to find a painting by a forgotten Vietnamese artist that holds the truth of their family's fractured past.

Aside from the fact they are sisters, Vivi and Calla Nguyễn have little in common.

Vivi, the eldest, lives an orderly and predictable life. She works as an art conservator at a museum in Chicago, carefully preserving pieces of the past, all the while refusing to examine her own dark history.

Calla leads a much bolder, if occasionally reckless, existence. She's an accomplished artist with a flair for the dramatic, charming and intriguing everyone she meets. She's also a recovering addict, constantly causing Vivi to worry.

Months after the two fall out in the wake of their father's death, Calla appears on the steps of the museum with a sketch and a letter she found in their father's belongings. The sketch is an exact copy of *Blue Mirror*, a striking painting by a Surrealist Vietnamese painter named K.P. Lý. In the letter, Lý writes about a mysterious lost work of art. Calla is convinced it is meant for their family, and that it was their father's deathbed wish for her and Vivi to find it together. Intrigued yet reluctant to follow her capricious sister, Vivi must decide whether she's willing to face or shut the door to the past.

From the ghostly Wisconsin woods to a glittering estate in the French countryside to a disintegrating ancestral home teetering on the edge of a ravine in Việt Nam, *The Seekers of Deer Creek* is a story of sisters, art, and the irresistible gravity of the past-how it endures across time and generations, always present even when buried.

### Sales Points

- THE SECOND BOOK FROM AN AUTHOR TO WATCH: Thao Thai's first novel, BANYAN MOON, was a Read With Jenna and Barnes & Noble Discover pick. Read with Jenna plans to support Thao for this second book on their socials, and we plan to build off the noise in the US, publishing simultaneously with an adapted cover look
- IMMERSIVE AND RICH STORYTELLING. This is a whirlwind mystery and family saga rooted in sisterhood and the resurrective promise of art. In this book, two estranged sisters travel the world, trailing a Surrealist painting with the power to unleash a storm of secrets about their past.
- Perfect for fans of Celeste Ng, Min Jin Lee, Charmaine Wilkerson

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Not for Sale	<b>Can; USA</b>
In-House Editor	<b>Vanessa Phan</b>

### Previous Titles

Banyan Moon

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*author of The Honey Witch*

- 'A deft, powerful exploration of the complexity of sibling bonds, the sharp edges of our dreams, and the healing capacity of love. Romantic, moving, and utterly magical.' - *Ava Reid, No.1 New York Times bestselling author of A Study in Drowning*
- 'A lush, thrilling novel that's heartfelt and captivating from start to finish. I absolutely loved my time with the Fury sisters and their immortal game, and Saft continues to dazzle.' - *Kiersten White, #1 New York Times bestselling author of Lucy Undying*

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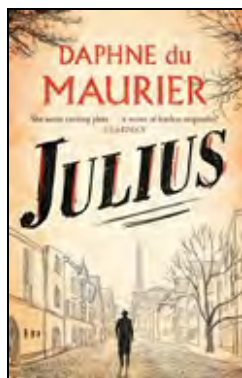
### Author Biography

Allison Saft is the author of New York Times bestselling romantic fantasy, including ***A Far Wilder Magic***, ***A Dark and Drowning Tide***, and ***Wings of Starlight***. After receiving her MA in English Literature from Tulane University, New Orleans, USA. she moved from the Gulf Coast to the West Coast in the USA, where she spends her time hiking the redwoods and practicing aerial silks.

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Author born in	<b>London, United Kingdom</b>
Author living in	<b>deceased</b>

#### Publishing History

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#### Previous Titles

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## Julius

### Daphne Du Maurier

#### Keynote

A chilling story of ambition, Daphne du Maurier's third novel has lost none of its ability to unsettle and disturb.

#### Description

**FROM THE BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF REBECCA**

**'This is a tale of such emotional brutality and moral dislocation that it feels as if it's been wrought by a master, someone who has seen, known and grappled with the world'** JULIE MYERSON

*He was his own god, he, Julius Lévy, and the power he made for himself. He was beholden to nothing and to no one and his destiny belonged to him.*

Julius Lévy learns early in life that kindness is a weakness and love is possession. He escapes his impoverished upbringing on the banks of the Seine, swindles his way through sun-drenched Algiers, and lands in London as a young man, ready to make his fortune.

Hungry for power, Julius becomes one of the wealthiest men in the country. Rich and ruthless, he cares for no one - until one day, he notices his daughter as if for the first time. From that moment on, she becomes his one weakness, and his suffocating obsession.

**'Amazingly well-done, powerful'** KIRKUS REVIEWS

**'A writer of fearless originality'** GUARDIAN

**'One of the last century's most original literary talents'** DAILY TELEGRAPH

#### Sales Points

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#### Reviews

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- 'One of the last century's most original literary talents' - *Daily Telegraph*
- 'Daphne du Maurier has no equal' - *Sunday Telegraph*
- 'A dark tale. A brilliant thriller' - *Daily Express*

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#### Advertising & Promotions

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- \* Featured on the Virago website
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Author born in	<b>London, United Kingdom</b>
Author living in	<b>deceased</b>

**Publishing History**  
First published in 1969

**Previous Titles**  
Rebecca, My Cousin Rachel, Jamaica Inn, The King's General, Mary Anne, The Parasites, I'll Never Be Young Again, The Flight of the Falcon, Julius, The House on the Strand, The Scapegoat, The Loving Spirit, Hungry Hill, The Glass-Blowers, Frenchman's Creek, After Midnight

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## The House on the Strand

**Daphne Du Maurier**

### Keynote

In this intriguing tale of time travel, du Maurier interweaves past and present together in a novel that is as rich and imaginative as anything she ever wrote.

### Description

**FROM THE BESTSELLING WRITER OF REBECCA**

'Electric . . . a compelling thriller' BRIDGET COLLINS

'*The House on the Strand* is prime du Maurier' *NEW YORK TIMES*

*I realized at that moment, more strongly than hitherto, how fantastic, even macabre, was my presence amongst them, unseen, unborn, a freak in time, witness to events that had happened centuries past . . .*

When an old friend, Professor Magnus Lane, offers him his home in Cornwall for the summer, Dick Young is relieved to escape his troubles. But Kilmarth and its owner are concealing a secret: Magnus has been experimenting with a new drug that allows the user to slip back in time. Transported back to the fourteenth-century, Dick becomes an invisible witness to a history of intrigue, adultery and murder.

But with each dose of the drug, his addiction to the other world grows stronger - and his estrangement from reality ever more dangerous.

**Du Maurier's striking novel weaves together past and present into an addictive time-slip thriller.**

'The master of slow-burning menace' STACEY HALLS

'No writer has conveyed the sheer strangeness of being human as well as du Maurier' ANDREW MICHAEL HURLEY

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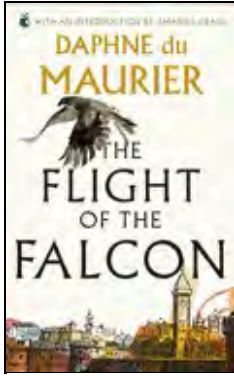
### Reviews

- '*The House on the Strand* is prime du Maurier. . . . She holds her characters close to reality; the past she creates is valid, and her skill in finessing the time shifts is enough to make one want to try a little of the brew himself' - *New York Times*
- 'No other popular writer has so triumphantly defied classification . . . She satisfied all the questionable criteria of popular fiction, and yet satisfied the exacting requirements of "real literature", something very few novelists ever do' - Margaret Forster
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## The Flight Of The Falcon

### Daphne Du Maurier

#### Keynote

From the mistress of suspense, Daphne du Maurier comes a haunting thriller set amidst the backdrop of Italy.

#### Description

**FROM THE BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF REBECCA**

'The indisputable queen of the sophisticated literary thriller' LAURA SHEPHERD ROBINSON

'Du Maurier pulls off several spectacular high-wire acts that other writers wouldn't' *GUARDIAN*

*Like Icarus, he flew too near the sun. Like Lucifer, he fell.*

When Armino Fabbio returns to his childhood town after years working as a tour guide in Rome, he discovers a sinister political movement simmering in its streets. Behind its picturesque Medieval walls, Ruffano hides a dark history: five hundred years ago it was ruled by a crazed tyrant known as the Falcon, whose life - and fateful death - still haunt the city.

Now, in the wake of the Second World War, someone is trying to redeem the Falcon's legacy. Could Fabbio's brother Aldo, believed to have been shot down in flames in the war, be at the centre of the conspiracy? And as past and present collide, is Ruffano doomed to repeat its violent history?

'[Her] most political novel . . . Temptation and guilt are what set du Maurier's imagination alight' AMANDA CRAIG

'A great gothic writer' KATE MOSSE

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#### Previous Titles

Don't Look Behind You 978 1 907410 61 1; Killing Mr Griffin 978 1 907410 62 8

## I Know What You Did Last Summer

Lois Duncan

#### Keynote

The novel that inspired the classic horror film and the 2025 major motion picture starring Jennifer Love Hewitt and Madelyn Cline. Four reckless teens fight to outsmart a brutal killer determined to avenge a young boy's death in this suspenseful thriller.

#### Description

*It was only an accident but it would change their lives forever.*

Last summer, four terrified friends made a desperate pact to conceal a devastating secret.

This summer, four friends are going to learn that some secrets just won't stay buried.

But now, someone has learned the truth, and the horror is starting again. There is an unknown killer out there who is stalking them in a deadly game. Will he stop at terror - or is he out for revenge?

With twists and turns at every corner, they'll have to fight to stay steps ahead of a menace determined to make them pay.

**'Lois Duncan is the patron saint of all things awesome' Jenny Han, bestselling author of *To All the Boys I've Loved Before***

**'Lois Duncan has always been one of my biggest inspirations . . . She's a master of suspense, so prepare to be dazzled and spooked!' Sara Shepard, bestselling author of *Pretty Little Liars***

#### Sales Points

- Lois Duncan is the queen of teen suspense
- I Know What You Did Last Summer is an iconic teen horror film

#### Author Biography

**Lois Duncan** (1934-2016) was born in Philadelphia, and grew up in Sarasota, Florida. She was the multi-award winning author of over fifty books, ranging from children's picture books to poetry to adult non-fiction, but is best known for her young adult suspense novels, including *I Know What You Did Last Summer* and *Down a Dark Hall*, which were both adapted into box-office movies. In 2015 she was named a Grand Master by the Mystery Writers of America.

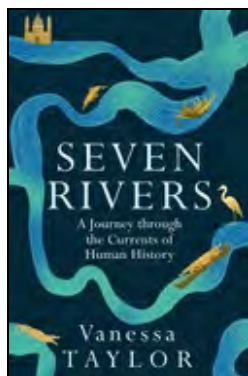
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## Seven Rivers

### A Journey Through the Currents of Human History

Vanessa Taylor

#### Keynote

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

#### Description

**'History at its most scintillating' Nicholas Crane**

Rivers are the great natural arteries that run through our lives.

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

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**This is the story of us, in seven rivers.**

#### Sales Points

- **EXPERT AUTHOR.** Dr Vanessa Taylor is a historian of water, rivers and environmental history at the University of Greenwich. She has written for BBC History Magazine and appeared on Channel 4, and is one of the foremost experts on the history of the river Thames.
- **URGENT MESSAGE.** As rivers worldwide are flooded, polluted and eroded, it is more important than ever to understand their centrality and importance to human civilization.
- **GLOBE-SPANNING DEEP HISTORY WITH INTERNATIONAL APPEAL.** This is a work of deep natural history that takes us back millions of years, narrating major world events from the birth of Buddhism on the banks of the Ganges to the Roman occupation of Britain, all through the prism of rivers.

#### Reviews

- 'What a magnificent feat of imagination and of research to tell the human story through the beauty of water . . . this book should be essential reading for policy makers' - Nicholas Crane, author of *The Making of the British Landscape*
- 'A fast flowing and rich human history of our world rivers. Wonderful!' - Jack Cornish, author of *The Lost Paths*
- 'A deeply researched exploration of how seven rivers have shaped human societies around the world. History buffs will have a blast' - *Publishers Weekly*

#### Author Biography

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

#### Market

Fans of nature writing (Robert Macfarlane), deep natural history (Thomas Halliday's *OTHERLANDS*) and big, sweeping global history (Peter Frankopan). Readers of *PRISONERS OF GEOGRAPHY* and *A HISTORY OF THE WORLD IN 47 BORDERS* - books that explain global history through one geographical feature.

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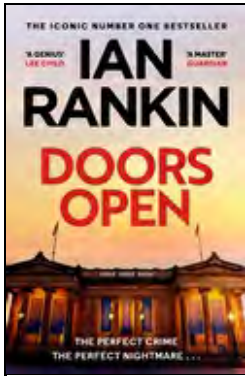
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Binding **Paperback**  
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**Doors Open**  
**From the iconic #1 bestselling author of A SONG FOR THE DARK TIMES**

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**Keynote**

**A FANTASTIC STAND-ALONE HEIST THRILLER FROM THE NO.1 BESTSELLING AUTHOR IAN RANKIN**

'You won't be able to turn the pages fast enough' **RED**

**Description**

**FROM THE ICONIC NUMBER ONE BESTSELLER IAN RANKIN**

**THEY SAY THE DEVIL MAKES WORK FOR IDLE HANDS...**

Three friends visit an art auction each in search of something. Self-made mogul Mike Mackenzie completed the rat race, Allan Cruikshank is bored of his banking job, while art professor Robert Gissing is disgusted that so many paintings stay hidden in boardrooms.

One chance encounter is all it takes to light a spark in each: to plot the perfect crime.

The target? The National Gallery of Scotland. The prize? Some of the most valuable artworks around. The risk? None - because the world will never know that a crime was ever committed.

But with such high stakes at play, the heist will descend into second guesses and double crosses, with a deadly sting in the tail...

'Perhaps Rankin's most entertaining book yet' **JOHN CONNOLLY**

**Sales Points**

- DOORS OPEN went straight to No.1 on the SUNDAY TIMES bestseller list.
- This is hot on the heels of EXIT MUSIC paperback, also a No.1 bestseller.
- With echoes of OCEAN'S 11 and THE THOMAS CROWN AFFAIR, and set in a very different Edinburgh to that inhabited by DI John Rebus, this new thriller shows a whole new side to Ian Rankin.
- Ian Rankin is a regular No.1 bestseller and GUARDIAN fastseller.
- He has won numerous awards, including the CWA DIAMOND DAGGER and GQ Author of the Year, and received an OBE.

**Reviews**

- 'Because Rankin is a master story-teller, that means the reader is quickly swept up and carried along. I read this in one sitting... I kept meaning to do other things... but somehow had to keep putting them off until I finished this chapter; and then the next; until I'd reached the end' - *GUARDIAN*
- 'DOORS OPEN is a lot of fun. It's pacy, witty, full of action, twists and splendid dialogue' - *THE TIMES*
- 'A fast-paced, intriguingly plotted tale of a heist in Edinburgh's art world, it also features the city's shadier side' - *FINANCIAL TIMES*

**Author Biography**

**Ian Rankin** is the multimillion-copy worldwide bestseller of over thirty novels and creator of John Rebus. His books have been translated into thirty-six languages and have been adapted for radio, the stage and the screen.

Rankin is the recipient of four Crime Writers' Association Dagger Awards, including the Diamond Dagger, the UK's most prestigious award for crime fiction. In the United States, he has won the celebrated Edgar Award and been shortlisted for the Anthony Award. In Europe, he has won Denmark's Palle Rosenkrantz Prize, the French Grand Prix du Roman Noir and the German Deutscher Krimipreis.

He is the recipient of honorary degrees from universities across the UK, is a Fellow of The Royal Society of Edinburgh and a Fellow of The Royal Society of Literature, and has received an OBE for his services to literature.

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COLIN WALSH



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## REVIEWS

'A fine and moving debut novel... compulsively readable... a rare treat' - *Independent*

'A genuine page-turner' - *Big Issue*

'A unique, important read' - *Guardian*

'Searing, heartfelt and excellent' - *Buzz Magazine*

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# Boy A

'A wonderful, heartbreaking tale' Andrew Garfield

## JONATHAN TRIGELL

### KEYNOTE

The cult classic novel that inspired John Crowley's film of the same name, starring Andrew Garfield in the BAFTA-winning title role

### SALES POINTS

- *Boy A* and the BAFTA-nominated film of the same name have a cult following that can only grow, for fans of Irvine Welsh, Andrew O'Hagan and hit Netflix miniseries *Adolescence*
- With existing praise from fans including Andrew Garfield to Sarah Waters and a new introduction from bestselling Colin Walsh, this reissue is sure to garner major attention

### DESCRIPTION

WITH A NEW INTRODUCTION BY COLIN WALSH, BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF *KALA*

'A compelling narrative, a beautifully structured piece of writing, and a thought-provoking novel of ideas' Sarah Waters

His new name is Jack. To his new friends, he is a good guy with occasional flashes of unexpected violence. To his new girlfriend, he is strangely inexperienced and unreachable. To his case worker, he's a victim of the system and of media-driven hysteria.

And to himself, Jack is on permanent trial: most of his life has been spent in juvenile institutions, guilty of a monstrous childhood crime. Searing and heartfelt, *Boy A* is a devastating exploration of guilt, retribution and the blurred lines between fact and fabrication.

### AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Jonathan Trigell is an award-winning author whose first novel *Boy A* won the John Llewellyn Rhys Prize and the Waverton Award, and was adapted into the BAFTA-nominated film of the same name.

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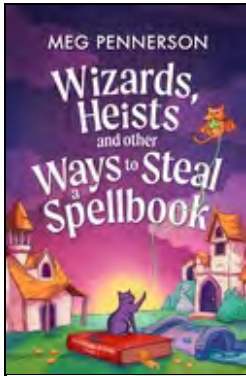
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## Wizards, Heists and Other Ways to Steal a Spellbook A cosy bookish fantasy adventure

**Meg Penneron**

### Keynote

The Hornsboggle and Dodge series is perfect for fans of *Magical Midlife Madness*, *Legends and Lattes* and *The Thursday Murder Club*. Readers will be swept away by the magical heist adventure full of friendship, enchanted books, wizards, giant ground sloths and unruly otherworldly cats.

### Description

**An enchanting cozy heist adventure that will make you believe in fate. Complete with dragons. And cats. And dragon-cats.**

**Katherine and Imogene didn't mean to rewrite destiny-honestly.**

When Katherine Hornsboggle and Imogene Dodge Chrysler are hired to steal a book-allegedly magical and fiercely guarded-it sounds simple enough. What could possibly go wrong?

Quite a lot, it turns out.

The Book of Appellations isn't just any tome; it's a sacred artifact that determines each person's destiny from the moment they name themselves in a magical ceremony. If the duo can steal it, their client believes he can change his name-and his fate.

But when a powerful magical crime network catches wind of the heist, Katherine and Imogene find themselves dodging danger across the Parched Plain, their enchanted map barely keeping them ahead.

Desperate for help, Katherine and Imogene dive into the Forbidden Woods to reconnect with a soft-hearted wizard friend. Along with his help, a people-pleasing young ranger and a growing cast of loveable strays, the duo will need every trick they've learned to pull off their most improbable heist unscathed.

Katherine and Imogene didn't set out to change the destiny of the Parched Plain, but fate had other plans...

**Hornsboggle and Dodge is a delightful cozy, heist-y fantasy series about friendships new and old is perfect for fans of TJ Klune and Travis Baldree.**

### Sales Points

- The second book in a cosy heist-filled fantasy series that is *The Thursday Murder Club* meets *Legends and Lattes*
- Simultaneous publication of ebook and audiobook editions, with a US edition of book 1 publishing on the 1st of September 2026
- Packed with crowd-pleasing cosy fantasy cosy goodness, like magical books, adorable feline and dragon companions
- Katherine and Imogene's fiercely loving and supportive friendship is the beating heart of this lovely romp

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Thema 1.6	<b>Fantasy: cosy / cozy (FMJ) Fantasy (FM) Comic (humorous) fantasy (FMK) Contemporary fantasy / Low fantasy (FMW)</b>
Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
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Extent	<b>400 pages</b>
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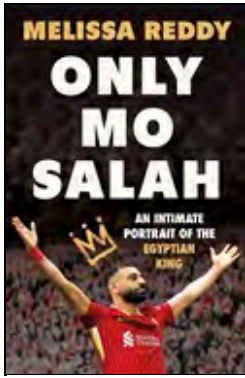
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## Only Mo Salah An Intimate Portrait of the Egyptian King

Melissa Reddy

### Keynote

**Charting the lasting impact and influence of the Egyptian King, this is the definitive biography of Mo Salah**

### Description

**Raw, authoritative and compelling, this is an intimate portrait of the Egyptian King - a biography that matches Mo's magnificent career.**

Mohamed Salah is one of the greatest footballers of all time. Records have been battered and bettered with such ferocity that there is a special archive of stats under the headline 'Only Mo Salah'. Yet his influence and impact stretches far beyond just goals, triumphs and trophies. Salah is a cultural behemoth; a man who means many different things to a diverse spread of people across the globe - not least in Egypt, where he has become a symbol of hope. However, through all of the success and exposure, Salah has remained true to himself, despite being largely misunderstood.

In this extraordinary biography packed with untold stories, acclaimed football writer Melissa Reddy paints a true portrait of Salah by speaking to teammates, friends, coaches, his local community, sporting directors, backroom staff and more. Reddy explores how he beat the odds to transcend his humble background in rural Nagrig along with the early sacrifices that led him to Cairo and onto Basel, his true experience at Chelsea before his rebirth with Fiorentina and Roma, which allowed him to reach his full potential at Liverpool, where he made being extraordinary the norm. All of this while carrying Egypt's national team on his shoulders.

Alongside the success, there is an honest journey through Mo's lowest moments and missteps too, backlit by the millions of people leaning heavily on him. *Only Mo Salah* climbs well beyond how a kid from a remote village scaled unimaginable heights to become a history-maker on and off the pitch, it showcases why Salah has a formidable claim to being the most important footballer on the planet.

### Sales Points

- **DEFINITIVE BIOGRAPHY & EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEWS:** Melissa is one of the few journalists who has gained the trust of Mo Salah and his agent - and Melissa has secured a host of exclusive interviews for the book. There is no definitive biography of Salah in the market, this will be the first that draws on exclusive access and interviews with Salah as well as those closest to him.
- **TOP FOOTBALL JOURNALIST WITH GREAT FOLLOWING:** Melissa Reddy is widely regarded as one of football's best and most loved reporters. Across all of her social media channels, she has over 900k followers collectively.
- **RIGHTS PRIORITY:** Mo Salah is one of the world's biggest stars, he has a huge fanbase globally - as does Liverpool FC - and this biography will be an international rights priority for our list.
- **AWARD-WINNING POTENTIAL:** Melissa is a phenomenal writer. We know that there is a great track record of top quality biographies like this that sell perennially and win awards - both in sports and across non-fiction.
- **SALAH LEAVING LIVERPOOL:** In March 2026, Mo Salah announced that he will be leaving Liverpool at the end of the 2025/26 season. We are publishing Melissa's book to coincide with what will be an emotional and celebratory send off for one of Liverpool's greatest players.

### Author Biography

Melissa Reddy is an award-winning South African football journalist, author and presenter based in the UK, who has covered the sport for over a decade. She was a senior reporter for Sky Sports, The Independent and ESPN, and has featured on The Athletic, BBC, CNN, CBS, The Anfield Wrap and Second Captains. She is widely regarded as an authority on Liverpool FC.

Praise for Melissa's first book *Believe Us: The Inside Story of Jurgen Klopp's Liverpool*: 'Our incredible story under a supreme manager shared in all its glory.' **Jordan Henderson**

'The tale of a watershed season wonderfully told by a great writer I have huge respect for.' **Ian Wright**

'Remarkable storytelling of a remarkable season.' **Gérard Houllier**

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Author born in	<b>South Africa</b>
Author living in	<b>Manchester, UK</b>

### Previous Titles

*Believe Us: The Inside Story of Jurgen Klopp's Liverpool* (2020)

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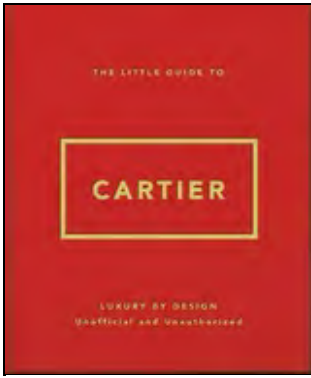
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## The Little Guide to Cartier

**OH**

### Keynote

The perfect introduction to the royal jeweller, learn about Cartier's timeless creations, curations and innovations.

### Description

There are few brands more synonymous with luxury than Cartier. Founded in France in 1847 by Louis-Francois Cartier, the luxury jeweller has been at the forefront of innovation and opulence for over 175 years. The jeweller of kings and queens, actors and adventurers, presidents and popstars, Cartier has a history as shining and multi-faceted as the diamonds they curate.

*The Little Guide to Cartier* will track the history of this exclusive brand, covering key designs from watches to jewellery, packed with glittering fun facts and golden historical nuggets. This book is sure to be the crown jewel in any diamond-lover's collection.

### Sample content:

"Never imitate, always innovate."  
Louis-Francois Cartier, Founder of Cartier

### Did you know?

The largest ever single Cartier order to date was made in 1925 by the Maharaja of Patiala, worth the equivalent of around £2.5 billion today!

### Sales Points

- Cartier is widely regarded as one of the most prestigious luxury goods dealers in the world.
- With over 200 stores in 125 countries, Cartier is a global brand with wide international appeal.
- Cartier's Royal Jewels are currently the focus of a dedicated V&A exhibit, running until November 2025.

### Author Biography

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

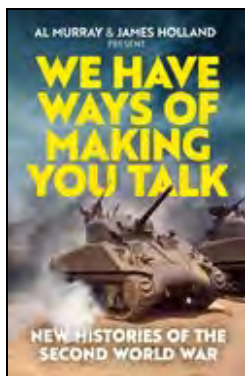
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Binding	<b>Hardback</b>
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## We Have Ways of Making You Talk New Histories of the Second World War

Goalhanger Productions with introduction by Al Murray and postscript by James Holland

### Keynote

Covering the most fascinating characters, bloody battles and key moments in WWII, **WE HAVE WAYS OF MAKING YOU TALK** brings the success of bestselling author James Holland and award-winning comedian Al Murray's podcast to readers.

### Description

From **Dunkirk** to **Barbarossa**, the war on **China** to **Stalingrad**, bestselling author James Holland and award-winning comedian Al Murray will capture readers with **the most up to date and pioneering academic research on a host of WWII-related topics.**

Their hugely successful podcast of the same name delves into **forgotten, hidden and little explained aspects of the war.** The podcast has blown the subject wide open and introduced far more complex and detailed ways of looking at this truly global conflict.

**WE HAVE WAYS OF MAKING YOU TALK** is the first book to tie-in with the podcast and will follow a number of the podcast's most successful series.

### Sales Points

- WE HAVE WAYS OF MAKING YOU TALK is a hugely popular podcast which attracts 70,000+ downloads per episode. It has surpassed the ten million download mark and has a super loyal fanbase. James is the expert and Al fills the role of the 'everyman' asking the questions we all want answered, and injecting a lot of humour.
- The eighteen chapters will follow a number of the series featured on the podcast. Promotions will run across the entire Goalhanger network, including *The Rest is History* podcast. 2025 will be the sixth anniversary of the podcast and will also see their thousandth episode.
- The book's publication will coincide with the 80th anniversary of D-Day. Goalhanger want to look into launching the book at the National Army Museum.
- Peter Caddick-Adams would be the ghost-writer of the book using Al and James's notes and research and drawing on the episodes on which the chapters are based. Peter is an acclaimed historian and the author of a number of histories of the Second World War. He is a fellow of the Royal Historical Society, taught at the UK's Joint Services Combined Staff College, was a reserve officer in the British Army, and gained his PhD at Cranfield University. He regularly appears as a defence analyst on Sky News, the BBC and elsewhere and writes regularly for *The Critic*.

### Author Biography

James Holland is an internationally acclaimed and award-winning historian, writer, and broadcaster. The author of a number of best-selling histories including most recently *The Savage Storm* and *Cassino '44*, he is also the author of ten works of fiction and a dozen Ladybird Experts. He is the co-founder of the annual Chalke Valley History Festival which is now in its twelfth year, and he has presented - and written - many television programmes and series for the BBC, Channel 4, National Geographic and the History and Discovery channels.

Al Murray's alter ego, The Pub Landlord, is one of the most recognizable and successful comic creations of the past twenty years, and Murray, who has won numerous awards and accolades, continues to fill arenas and theatres around the world. He is also the author of many successful books including *Watching War Films with My Dad* and *Command*, a sharply entertaining analysis of the key allied military leaders in the Second World War.

Goalhanger is the UK's largest independent podcast producer and the biggest outside the US - creating chart-topping, story-first shows across history, politics, sport, business, entertainment, culture, and audio drama. Goalhanger's shows include *The Rest Is History*, *The Rest Is Politics*, *Empire*, *The Rest Is Entertainment*, *The Rest Is Politics: US*, *Leading*, *The Rest Is Money*, *Journey Through Time*, *The Rest Is Football*, *Sherlock & Co.*, *The Rest Is Classified*, *The Rest Is Football: Daly Brightness*, and *We Have Ways of Making You Talk*.

Goalhanger reach tens of millions each month across long-form audio, video, and live events - with over 400 million downloads in 2024, and more than 1 billion lifetime streams.

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## Firestarter

**A chilling classic from the No. 1 bestseller**

### Stephen King

#### Keynote

**Don't miss this new retro edition of Stephen King's classic novel with a nostalgia-inducing cover, which is about a girl with a terrifying gift.**

#### Description

***Firestarter* is King's classic thriller about a young girl with a terrifying gift.**

*You're a firestarter honey . . . just one big zippo lighter.*

A year ago, he was an upstanding instructor of English at Harrison State College. Now Andy is on the run with his daughter. A pigtailed girl named Charlie. A girl with an unimaginably terrifying gift.

A gift which could be useful to corrupt authorities. Soon Charlie will be caught up in the menace of a fateful drug experiment and a sinister government ploy . . .

**Let the reader beware: FIRESTARTER is Stephen King at his most mesmerising . . . and menacing.**

#### Sales Points

- **TIMELESS YET TOPICAL:** FIRESTARTER is Stephen King at his most mesmerising and menacing, guaranteed to appeal to all those who enjoyed *Carrie*.
- **ICONIC FILM ADAPTATION:** starring Drew Barrymore.
- **IDEAL FOR COLLECTORS AND NEW READERS:** Will be re-released alongside six other titles including *Pet Sematary* and *Cujo*.
- **NEWLY RELEASED WITH ORIGINAL ARTWORK:** The retro cover look and supported marketing will reach out to a new generation of readers yet to discover King.
- **ALWAYS-ON CORELIST PROMOTION:** King's backlist is promoted through the year to maintain a high awareness of King's catalogue.

#### Reviews

- 'Stephen King's finest novel yet...the most tightly plotted of King's chillers, it is also the most terrifying' - *Cosmopolitan*
- 'One of the few horror writers who can truly make the flesh creep' - *Sunday Express*
- 'King's imagination is vast' - *Guardian*

#### Author Biography

STEPHEN KING is the author of more than seventy books, all of them worldwide bestsellers. His recent titles include *Fairy Tale*, *Holly*, and *If It Bleeds*, all number one *Sunday Times* bestsellers.

Many of his titles are the basis for major motion pictures including *IT*, *Stand By Me* (adapted from *The Body*) and *The Shawshank Redemption*, which is IMDb's top-rated movie of all time.

King is the recipient of *The Sunday Times* Award for Literary Excellence 2022, the 2020 Audio Publishers Association Lifetime Achievement Award, the 2018 PEN America Literary Service Award, the 2014 National Medal of Arts, and the 2003 National Book Foundation Medal for Distinguished Contribution to American Letters. He lives in Maine, with his wife, novelist Tabitha King.

Publication date **Friday, August 28, 2026**  
Price **£10.99 / ₹699**  
Main Identifier **9781399765336**  
Thema 1.6 **Thriller / suspense fiction (FH)  
Horror, ghost stories and supernatural fiction (FK)**

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

Book locale **USA**  
Author born in **Portland, Maine**  
Author living in **Bangor, Maine**

#### Previous Titles

Include CHRISTINE, THE SHINING, IT, THE SHAWSHANK REDEMPTION, THE LIFE OF CHUCK, MISERY, THE LONG WALK

1st Serial **refer to publisher**  
2nd Serial **refer to publisher**  
Audio **Hodder**  
Dramatisation and documentary **refer to publisher**  
Electronic **Hodder**  
Film and TV **Rand Holston Management**  
Large print **Hodder**  
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Main Identifier **9781399760706**

Thema 1.6 **Crime and / or mystery fiction (FF)  
Thriller / suspense fiction (FH)**

Binding **Hardback**

Format **Demy**

Extent **448 pages**

Word Count

Exclusively for Sale **Cw; Ire; UK**

Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Book locale **US**

Author born in **Maine, US**

Author living in **Maine, US**

**Previous Titles**

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Audio **Hodder**

Dramatisation and documentary **refer to publisher**

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**The Green Mile**  
**A No. 1 Bestselling Classic**  
**Stephen King**

**Keynote**

**A beautiful classic hardback edition of King's famous work to celebrate its thirtieth anniversary.**

**Description**

**Stephen King's iconic horror masterpiece. An international bestselling and highly acclaimed novel, a must-read for any horror fan, also a hugely successful film starring Tom Hanks.**

The Green Mile: those who walk it do not return, because at the end of that walk is the room in which sits Cold Mountain penitentiary's electric chair. In 1932 the newest resident on death row is John Coffey, convicted of the brutal murder of two little girls. But nothing is as it seems with John Coffey, and around him unfolds a bizarre and horrifying story.

Evil murderer or holy innocent - whichever he is - Coffey has strange powers which may yet offer salvation to others, even if they can do nothing to save him.

**Sales Points**

- One of a line of STEPHEN KING hardback CLASSICS for sale through the trade, many of which celebrate landmark anniversaries. The first, CARRIE, was a No. 7 *Sunday Times* bestseller in 2024.
- Beautiful editions - two foils directly onto wibalin-cloth.
- The 30th Anniversary of King's famous novel, THE GREEN MILE, will garner huge reviews and articles across the media.
- THE GREEN MILE was adapted into a beloved and hugely successful feature film, starring Tom Hanks and directed by Frank Darabont, who also directed THE SHAWSHANK REDEMPTION, another King adaption and IMDb's top-rated movie of all time (THE GREEN MILE is #25!).
- Stephen King's new novels are No. 1 bestsellers - he is the ultimate storyteller of our time.

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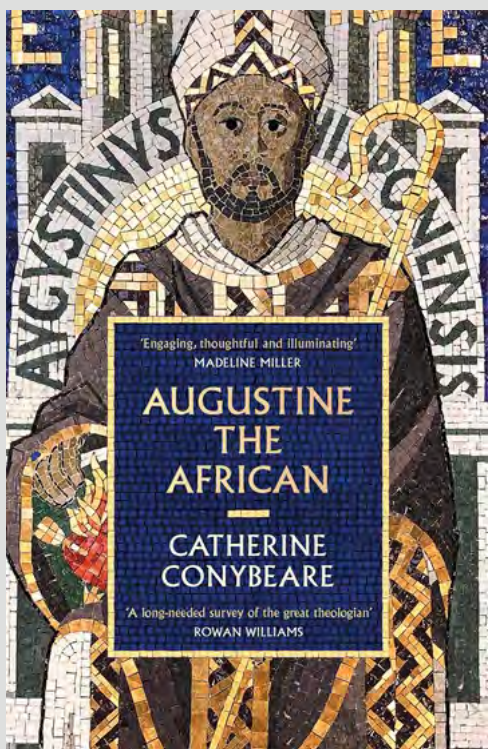
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# Augustine the African

A NEW YORKER BEST BOOK OF 2025

CATHERINE CONYBEARE

## KEYNOTE

A groundbreaking reassessment of one of Christianity's foundational thinkers from award-winning classicist Catherine Conybeare

## SALES POINTS

- A fresh and original insight into one of Christianity's foundational saints and scholars that reshapes how we understand the history of the world's largest religion
- Enduring relevance in an age of decolonisation, with insights not just for those interested in religion but with reflections on cultural history, racial discrimination, and the ongoing injustices in the Catholic Church
- For fans of John Barton's *History of the Bible*, Diarmaid MacCulloch's *Silence or Byzantium* by Judith Herrin

## REVIEWS

'Conybeare [...] intertwines learned exegesis with examples of Augustine's human idiosyncrasies, offering illuminating analyses of the philosopher's seminal texts and ideas' - *New Yorker*

'An engaging, thoughtful, and illuminating portrait... Conybeare vividly draws the thread of Augustine's African identity through his life and work in a fresh and elegant way. She has enlarged my perspective on this monumental, complicated man' - *Madeline Miller, author of The Song of Achilles*

'Beautifully written, thoroughly engaging and highly recommended' - *Literary Review*

'Rich, erudite and sympathetic... [Conybeare] allows us to appreciate [Augustine's] thought anew' - *TLS*

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## DESCRIPTION

An eye-opening new history of one of Christianity's most important figures - and one of Pope Leo XIV's primary inspirations

'Brilliant' *SPECTATOR*

'Illuminating' *NEW YORKER*

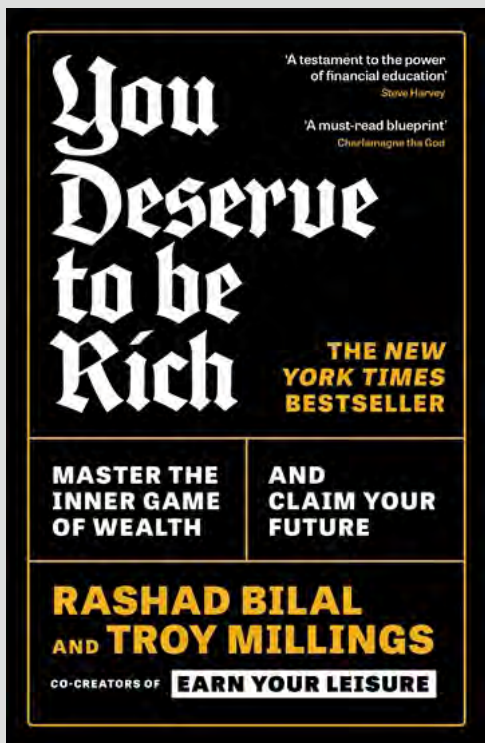
'Rich and sympathetic' *TLS*

Augustine of Hippo is one of the world's most influential theologians, an early Christian writer whose work shaped the course of Western philosophy. Born in Numidia in 354 CE, Augustine's African identity has long been painfully denied. But it was foundational to his thinking and faith. Drawing on original sources and the Augustinian texts themselves, world-renowned scholar Catherine Conybeare traces Augustine's travels from North Africa to the European continent and back again, placing his African origins firmly at the centre of his story.

A tale of exile, faith and identity, *Augustine the African* upends conventional knowledge about one of Christianity's most celebrated saints, and recentres Africa as the locus of early Catholic intellectual activity - with Europe on the periphery.

## AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Catherine Conybeare is a professor of Greek, Latin, Classical Studies and Humanities at Bryn Mawr College. She has been the recipient of numerous awards and fellowships, including from the Guggenheim Foundation, and has held visiting fellowships at the universities of Oxford and Cambridge. She lives in Pennsylvania.



# You Deserve To Be Rich: THE NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER

Master the Inner Game of Wealth and Claim Your Future  
**RASHAD BILAL AND TROY MILLINGS**

## KEYNOTE

Two wildly successful founders. One revolutionary playbook for achieving financial freedom - wherever you come from.

## SALES POINTS

- INSTANT *New York Times* bestseller now in a fresh package - perfect for readers seeking financial freedom inc fans of *Rich Dad, Poor Dad* (66k TCM) *I Will Teach You To Be Rich* (26k) and *Happy Sexy Millionaire* (98k)
- MASSIVE Earn Your Leisure platform is "a rocket ship," (TODAY), with 4M followers across IG & YouTube, 115M podcast downloads and a network that includes stars Tyler Perry, Rick Ross and Dean Forbes

## REVIEWS

‘A testament to the power of financial education’ - Steve Harvey

‘The must-read blueprint for breaking free’ - Charlamagne Tha God

‘A great book to learn from - It's time to reclaim our financial future, unapologetically’ - Bola Sol, author of YOUR MONEY LIFE

‘A step towards achieving the life you've always dreamed about’ - Tiffany 'THE BUDGETNISTA' Aliche

## DESCRIPTION

**INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER - A revolutionary playbook for achieving financial freedom, wherever you start from**

Wealth. Stability. Freedom. Hard work is often not enough to achieve these universal goals. Rashad Bilal and Troy Millings know the systemic barriers that keep those who are hustling from achieving their dreams and it's now their mission to level the playing field. For the first time since having built a multimillion following for their Earn Your Leisure platform, including legendary entrepreneurs from Tyler Perry to Patricia Bright, they reveal their game plan for financial freedom.

Laying out financial, investment and entrepreneurial lessons alongside tools for harnessing your ambition, this book breaks down the strategies for creating wealth and building a lasting legacy. From overcoming financial trauma and navigating familial expectations to earning enough to be in control, this is a first-of-its-kind guide to mastering the money game, whether you grew up knowing the rules or not.

## AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

**Rashad Bilal**, a financial advisor, and **Troy Millings**, an educator, are the co-founders of Earn Your Leisure (4 million+ followers), a global movement equipping underserved communities with the tools and resources to build wealth. They run Invest Fest, an international conference that has twice sold out the Royal Albert Hall.

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**REVIEWS**

‘A fascinating portrait of a meverick member of one of the nation's most famous families, told by her granddaughter with clear eyed vigour.’ - *Alexandra Shulman, former Editor-in-Chief of British Vogue*

‘An extraordinary woman, an extraordinary life. This is an engaging study - a treat of a book.’ - *Helen Fielding, author of Bridget Jones's Diary*

# Blue Eyes and a Wild Spirit

A Life of Dorothy Wellesley

JANE WELLESLEY

**KEYNOTE**

**A vivid biography of Dorothy Wellesley, connected to the Duke of Wellington and the Bloomsbury set.**

**DESCRIPTION**

Dorothy Wellesley was a poet, traveller, heiress and rebel. When she became the lover of Vita Sackville-West, it wrecked her marriage to the future Duke of Wellington. Through Vita, Dorothy met Virginia Woolf and gained a unique view of the iconic and intensely self-absorbed Bloomsbury Group.

W.B. Yeats hailed her as one of the most talented poets of her generation. She was his intimate friend in his final years and his muse. Yet despite being a writer, editor and champion of poetry throughout her life, she ranks highly among the most overlooked women poets of the 20th century.

This biography draws on unpublished material, including private Wellesley family papers and hitherto unknown source materials, to create a riveting story. Unconventional, reckless and often vulnerable, Dorothy Wellesley was a woman ahead of her time.

**AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY**

Jane Wellesley is a writer and producer. Before starting a long career in the television and film industry, she worked in the art world. She then worked at the BBC and later was a researcher at Granada TV. She became an independent producer, firstly running Antelope Films, then jointly running and owning Warner Sisters Film and TV until 2002.

Her first book, *Wellington: a Journey Through My Family*, was published in 2008 and re-issued in 2015 for the bicentenary of the Battle of Waterloo.

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## Staying True to You

How to Succeed without Losing Your Way

DR. PATRICIA FAISON HEWLIN

### KEYNOTE

**A unique roadmap to finding freedom from the pressures of expectation in modern working life**

### SALES POINTS

- Author is an award-winning behavioral scientist whose ground-breaking research is regularly featured in the media, and whose fans include thought-leaders like Amy Cuddy, Adam Grant and Amy Edmondson
- For readers of 'big idea' psychology books with warm, practical takeaways for work and life, like *Presence* (11k TCM), *Emotional Agility* (20k TCM) and *Chatter* (7.5k)
- Innovative and urgent advice that answers the timeless challenge of what it means to 'be yourself' at work: how to build a resilient identity that can navigate between internal values and external demands

### DESCRIPTION

'Just be yourself'. It sounds so simple, doesn't it? But all too often, we find ourselves caught between trying to 'fit in' or 'stand out' - hiding our true thoughts for the sake of belonging, or over-acting at the expense of others. Both extremes leave us exhausted, doubtful and disconnected.

In this paradigm-shifting book, behavioural scientist Patricia Hewlin reveals a better, more fulfilling way to navigate the pressures of our working lives. This is the *middle self*: a flexible framework for showing up with confidence, resilience and integrity no matter the situation. Drawing on decades of research, this break-through method will help you to make intentional choices, build stronger relationships and achieve your ambitions - while staying true to you.

### AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

**Dr. Patricia Hewlin** is an award-winning behavioural scientist with more than twenty years' experience researching authenticity and conformity. A professor at the Teachers College of Columbia University, she also consults for major global companies; her work has been featured in *The Times*, *Huffington Post* and *Harvard Business Review*

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# Ausländer

One family's story of escape and exile

MICHAEL MORITZ

## KEYNOTE

From one of the best known names in business: a haunting family memoir from the darkest era in Europe's history

## SALES POINTS

- Illustrated with over 40 photographs and illustrations
- A personal memoir by one of Silicon Valley's leading tech investors and the co-founder of the charitable foundation Crankshaft
- A poignant and meticulously researched account of one family's experience of the Holocaust

## DESCRIPTION

'Profoundly moving' ANDREW MARR

'Deeply personal' *SUNDAY TIMES*

'A shout from history that we cannot ignore' *THE IRISH TIMES*

Sorting through papers and photographs after his mother's death, Michael Moritz uncovers the history of close family members murdered by the Nazis. Exploring their journey takes him into a past of tragedy, grief and the dark shadows cast on Jewish life by the Holocaust.

Leaving Germany as child refugees, Moritz's parents escape to London before settling in Cardiff, Wales, after the war. But the idea of being a stranger or outsider - *Ausländer* - haunts the family; running through Moritz's childhood and resurfacing in his adopted home of California, where he has become one of Silicon Valley's most celebrated investors.

'As the shadows of Trump lengthened, the refrain I had heard from my parents rang ever more loudly ... "If it did happen somewhere, it can happen here".'

Disturbingly relevant to contemporary America, *Ausländer* shows what can happen to families when ordinary people hand licence to despots.

## AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

**Michael Moritz** was born in Cardiff, Wales in 1954. A former *Time* journalist and regular contributor to the *FT*, he is the author of several books, including *The Little Kingdom*, the story of Apple's years as a private business. He was a partner in Sequoia Capital for 35 years and led the business between 1995 and 2012, becoming one of the most successful investors of his generation. Together with his wife, the author Harriet Heyman, he formed Crankstart in 2001 - a San Francisco-based foundation devoted to helping those who might otherwise be left behind.



# Ausländer

## One Family's Story of Escape and Exile

## REVIEWS

'*Ausländer* casts a unique shaft of light into the darkest years of European history, and a profoundly moving, personal story of disaster and triumph unlike any other you will read.' - *Andrew Marr, writer and broadcaster*

'A book that stands alongside Edmund de Waal's *The Hare with Amber Eyes* and Philippe Sands's *East West Street* as a deeply personal immersion into the horrors of the Holocaust' - *Kathryn Hughes, The Sunday Times*

'A magisterial act of filial piety. Michael Moritz encodes and decodes his emotional DNA - and what that means for his reading of the world now. It is rare to be invited to see our world so fully through someone else's eyes.' - *Neil MacGregor, former director of the British Museum and the National Gallery*

'The best memoirs are deeply personal but connect to the universal. ... *Ausländer* more than meets this mark' - *Richard Waters, Financial Times*

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## Five Little Bugs Lift-the-Flap

Mike Brownlow (Illustrated By Simon Rickerty)

### Keynote

**TEN LITTLE: now a major TV series on Sky Kids!**

From the creators of the bestselling Ten Little series comes this felt-flap garden adventure that makes counting fun!

### Description

**TEN LITTLE: now a major TV series on Sky Kids!**  
**Five Little Bugs: Garden and Grow**

Join five green-fingered bugs for heaps of gardening fun in this bouncy rhyming and counting adventure. Lift the flaps to help the bugs with jobs around the garden, from pruning the weeds to watering the plants, all while they wait for the flowers to grow . . .

Learning to count is fun with these sturdy board books! There's a flap on every spread, perfect for little hands to lift.

Want more Five Little? Don't miss:

*Five Little Monkeys*  
*Five Little Princesses*  
*Five Little Dinosaurs*  
*Five Little Pirates*  
*Five Little Robots*  
*Five Little Unicorns*

### Sales Points

- Preschool spin-off range of the bestselling Ten Little series, which has sold over 2 million copies worldwide
- Soft learning is combined with preschool fun in these chunky board books
- Introduces numbers from one to five in an accessible and engaging way
- With a bright, durable big felt flap to play with on each spread, perfect for smaller hands
- Starring five jolly, green-fingered bugs with appearances from other minibeast friends!

### Author Biography

#### Mike Brownlow (Author)

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

#### Simon Rickerty (Illustrator)

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

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Thema 1.6	<b>Early years: numbers and counting (YBLC) Early years: verse, rhymes and wordplay (YBLB) Children's / Teenage general interest: Insects, spiders, minibeasts (YNNL) For National Curriculum Early Years (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACA) For children c 0-36 months (5AB)</b>

CBMC	<b>A2K79</b>
Age	<b>0-5 years</b>
Subject	<b>Home / Early Learning</b>
Type	<b>Board / Bath / Rag Book</b>
Character Tie In	<b>Non-character Non Tie-in</b>

Binding Format	<b>180x180</b>
Depth	<b>20mm</b>
Extent	<b>10 pages</b>
Word Count	
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### Previous Titles

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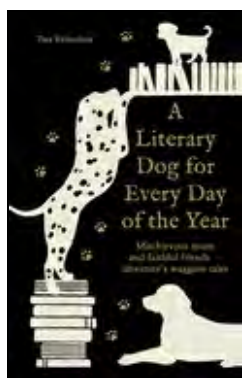


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Binding	<b>Hardback</b>
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## A Literary Dog for Every Day of the Year

### Mischievous mutts and faithful friends – literature’s waggiest tales

**Tara Richardson**

#### Keynote

**A literary treasure trove that brings together quotes and passages from beloved classic stories and poems, for dog lovers everywhere.**

#### Description

**"Outside of a dog, a book is man's best friend. Inside of a dog, it's too dark to read."** - Groucho Marx

Dogs and writers seem to belong together like bread and butter: you can't one without the other... well, not *really*. From John Steinbeck's poodle Charley and Philip Pullman's cockapoos, to Mr Rochester's Pilot and the faithful Argos of Homer's *Odyssey*, we have all grown up with a dog - whether real or fictional - there is a certain *rightness* to the pairing. And as valuable as they are in terms of companionship, dogs can occasionally make shrewd editors. In this book, we'll meet more than one pooch who has seen fit to devour part of a manuscript, obliging the author to try again, no doubt improving on the original.

Rediscover the joy of childhood friends and much-loved pets with this selection of quotes and passages from poems and stories that celebrate some of the most memorable and best-loved dogs in literature. *A Literary Dog for Every Day of the Year* is a must-have for all dog and book lovers, this inspirational collection is the perfect gift for canine connoisseurs to treasure all year long.

#### Highlight's include:

- **January:** Burns Night, Science Fiction Day and a tribute to one of Lord Byron's greatest loves: his dog, Boatswain
- **February:** Chinese New Year, Valentine's Day and more than a few Dalmations
- **March:** World Book Day, Mother's Day and quick trip to space aboard *Sputnik II*
- **April:** Easter, Happy birthday William Shakespeare and the dog of the day: Sergeant Murphy, the police officer pooch in Richard Scarry's beloved *Busytown*
- **May:** Mental Health Month, Mother's Day (US) and a short visit with Toto and Dorothy
- **June:** Father's Day, dog of the day: Rollo from the *Outlander* series and a brief musing from Charles Dickens
- **July:** Happy birthday Marcel Proust, and spend some time with Lynley Dodd and Shirley Hughes
- **August:** International Dog Day, Happy birthday Tove Jansson and step into Tolkien's *The Fellowship of the Ring*
- **September:** Direwolves, crime capers and canine of the day: Timothy, the fifth member of the *Famous Five*
- **October:** Happy Halloween, read some spooky passages from Edgar Allen Poe, them sit a spell with Pilot, from *Jane Eyre*
- **November:** Daydream with Snoopy, snuggle in with Nana and set on an adventure with the space-travelling Kazak
- **December:** Meet Max, companion to the foul-tempered Grinch, cast a spell with Coal and the dog of the day: Pug, the endlessly spoilt lapdog from *Mansfield Park*

Also available in the series: *A Literary Cat for Every Day of the Year*

#### Sales Points

- Perfect gift for the bookworm in your life, detailed, entertaining and wonderfully informative. A must have for bibliophiles.
- There has been a remarkable transformation in social media dog influencers over the past couple of years, from cute social media novelties into powerful marketing forces, commanding audiences that rival those of human celebrities. The four-legged content creators are redefining the way that brands, as well as pet parents and animal lovers, interact with brands and each other. Marketers are increasingly turning to top dog influencers to engage their target audiences authentically as the pet industry continues to grow exponentially in the market and is projected to reach \$277 billion by 2025.
- Top dog influencers: **Dog the Pug** (3.8m followers), **Maya the Samoyed** (1.9m followers) and **Tuna Melts My Heart** (2m followers)
- Comparative titles: *Dog Poems* (Serpent's Tail), 2019 - LT TCM 15K (vol), *Battersea Dogs and Cats Home - A Dog a Day* (Welbeck), 2023 - LT TCM 3.9K (vol) and *A Literary Cat for Every Day of the Year* (Cassell), 2025.

#### Author Biography

**Tara Richardson is a writer and editor based in south London, where she lives with her partner and about forty houseplants. She writes (and edits) books on well-being, gardening, food and drink, and all the other little things that make life a bit shinier.**



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 Author born in **Stockholm, Sweden**  
 Author living in **Stockholm, Sweden**

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## Post Mortem

The third novel in a gripping Scandi crime series inspired by Sherlock Holmes

David Lagercrantz

### Keynote

Hans Rekke and Micaela Vargas join the hunt for a serial killer in Stockholm's literary world

### Description

**Professor Hans Rekke and Micaela Vargas have earned a reputation for solving the unsolvable. But they've never been confronted by a serial killer.**

That changes when Rekke receives a visit from Spanish chief inspector Rafael Corales, who is unable to forget the unsolved murder of a young woman in Santander in 1988. Now other bodies have come to light, marked with signs that seem to be some kind of numerical order.

Still recovering from his latest hypomanic episode - his relationship with Vargas strained by a secret she's keeping - Rekke agrees to help track down the killer.

Clues from a posthumously published short story by the victim draw him undercover into the murky world of Sweden's literary scene - authors, agents and producers who are past masters at selling a lie. To unmask the killer, Rekke must relearn the difference between fact and fiction, and discover what really happened that night in Santander in 1988.

### Reviews for *Dark Music* and *Fatal Gambit*

"A classic murder mystery . . . one Holmes himself would have loved to solve" *Independent*

"Fans of dark Swedish crime will love this moody thriller" *The Sun*

"A rich, engrossing novel" *Literary Review*

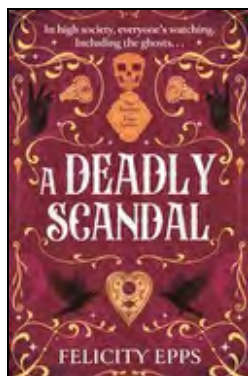
### Translated from the Swedish by Ian Giles

### Sales Points

- More than 2,300,000 copies of David Lagercrantz's books sold in MacLehose Press Editions around the world

### Author Biography

David Lagercrantz was born in 1962, and is an acclaimed author and journalist. In 2015 *The Girl in the Spider's Web* (2015), his continuation of Stieg Larsson's Millennium Trilogy, became a worldwide bestseller and was made into a film by Sony Pictures (2018). He is the author of the acclaimed and bestselling *I am Zlatan Ibrahimovic*, *Fall of Man in Wilmslow*, and the fifth and sixth books in the Millennium series, *The Girl Who Takes an Eye for an Eye* (2017) and *The Girl Who Lived Twice* (2019). His Rekke and Vargas Investigations, inspired by Sherlock Holmes, have continued his record of international bestsellers.



## The Society of Free Spirits: A Deadly Scandal YA murder mystery with a ghostly, supernatural twist

**Felicity Epps**

### Keynote

In high society, everyone's watching - including the ghosts. The Society of Free Spirits invites you to investigate, in this YA crime series with a supernatural twist.

### Description

**Sisterhood, seances and solving murder, perfect for fans of *Bridgerton* and *Laura Wood*!**

**An occult device leaving threatening messages. A dinner party featuring a fatal main course. Was it a tragic accident, or is something foul at play? The Society of Free Spirits invites you to investigate, in this YA crime series with a supernatural twist.**

Ada Hawthorne would much rather be hunting for ghosts than for a husband. So when the Society of Free Spirits is invited to host a séance investigating the Spirit Hand - an occult device haunting its owner with threatening messages - Ada can't wait to show off her spiritualist talents to London's elite.

But then a guest is fatally stabbed with a hatpin during the séance, and Ada ends up with more on her plate than a fancy dinner!

The society's reputation is hanging on by a thread, and Ada can't afford her family name being dragged through another scandalous gossip column. But when visions of the ghost appear and demand that the murder be solved, Ada and her friends have no choice but to engage in some less-than-ladylike behaviour to uncover the mystery. They'll soon learn that in high society, everyone's watching - including the ghosts.

### Sales Points

- Target age: This is firmly 12+ YA - i.e. no on-page steam, though there is a great romance subplot. Key target readers aged 14-17, but please note that while this series is perfect for an advanced reader just graduating into the YA space (e.g. moving up from Robin Stevens) the protagonist is a fiercely independent 17-year-old
- Great themes: This tightly plotted mystery is filled with themes YA readers love: friendship, underestimated protagonists, female empowerment, surprising twists and romance
- This is the second book in the Society of Free Spirits series, which follows a new protagonist in the society and can be read as a standalone. Book 1 (*A Grave Inheritance*) was a Waterstones YA Book of the Month
- Unique voice: Humorous, tongue-in-cheek approach to historical fiction, but with spookiness that's satisfying enough for YA readers
- The first book in the series was a Waterstones YA Book of the Month

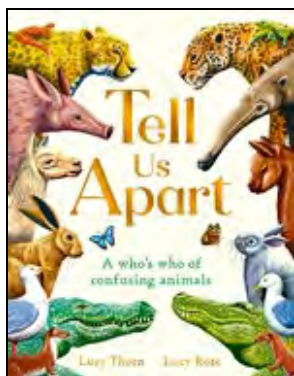
### Author Biography

**Felicity Epps** studied a degree in English Literature before completing a Masters in Eighteenth-Century Studies, where her research focused on female murderers in true crime writing! Felicity finds inspiration in history; researching strange and spooky subjects. She enjoys exploring cemeteries, collecting old books and hunting for ghostly Victorian photographs in antique shops. Felicity currently lives in Broadstairs, Kent, UK, with her partner, Josh, and their baby daughter, Madeline. When she isn't writing, Felicity loves going to the beach, knitting colourful jumpers and drinking far too many cups of hot chocolate.

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Age	<b>12+ years</b>
Subject	<b>Fiction</b>
Type	<b>Ordinary Printed Book Format</b>
Character	<b>Non-character</b>
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Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
Format	<b>B Format</b>
Extent	<b>304 pages</b>
Word Count	
Series	<b>The Society of Free Spirits</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>UK; World (ex USA,</b>



Publication date	<b>Thursday, August 27, 2026</b>
Price	<b>£9.99 / ₹799</b>
Main Identifier	<b>9781510230910</b>
Thema 1.6	<b>Children's / Teenage general interest: Farm animals (YNNF) Children's / Teenage general interest: Whales, dolphins and porpoises (YNNJ14) Children's / Teenage general interest: Birds (YNNK) Children's / Teenage general interest: Mammals (YNNJ) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ) Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH)</b>

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

Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
Format	<b>290x225</b>
Extent	<b>48 pages</b>
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## Tell Us Apart

### A who's who of confusing animals

#### Lucy Thorn (Illustrated By Lucy Rose)

#### Keynote

Discover the differences between the often-confused pairs of the animal kingdom, packed with facts about physical and behavioural animal characteristics.

#### Description

Can you tell your wasps from your hornets or your frogs from your toads? Did you know that hares live in above-ground nests while rabbits live underground in burrows? Was it a herring gull or a common gull that stole your chips at the seaside? And what IS the difference between a shrimp and a prawn? (No, they're not the same animal!)

Get to know the animals that even grown-ups struggle to tell apart, from big cats with different coats like leopards and cheetahs, llamas and alpacas, lizards and salamanders and many more. Packed with fascinating facts and realistic artwork, *Tell Us Apart* is a beautiful gift package that outlines the key differences between the often-confused pairs in the animal kingdom to give budding young naturalists a fun facts edge.

#### Sales Points

- Animals are a perennially popular topic for children, making *Tell Us Apart* both fun and informative.
- Packed with scientific facts about various animals, ranging from social and behavioural facts to anatomical differences.
- With beautiful, photo-realistic illustrations from Lucy Rose, this book is a beautiful high-end gift offering.

#### Author Biography

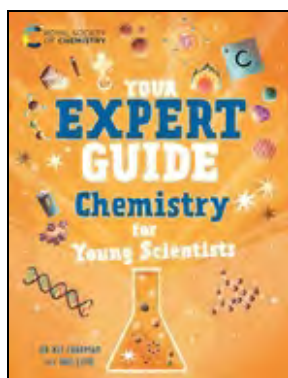
##### Lucy Thorn (Author)

Lucy Thorn is a children's non-fiction writer living in London. She loves animals, words and all things books.

##### Lucy Rose (Illustrator)

Lucy graduated from Falmouth University, UK, in 2015 with a BA Hons in Illustration. She is based in Devon, UK, where the beautiful countryside and the sea inspires her on a daily basis.

Lucy's love of vintage prints, art-deco posters, and textile patterns is reflected in her work, which has beautiful organic textures and graphic layering.



## Your Expert Guide: Chemistry for Young Scientists

Dr Kit Chapman (Illustrated By Dao Linh)

### Keynote

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

### Description

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

In *Your Expert Guide: Chemistry for Young Scientists*, discover the foundations of this crucial and exciting branch of science. Learn to think like a chemist, stay safe in the lab and explore the chemical building blocks of everything around you - from the air we breathe and the water we drink, to rockets, smartphones, stars and our bodies. Get an expert view of how chemistry underpins our understanding of matter on Earth and beyond!

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 approachable 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 / Physics for Young Scientists*

### Sales Points

- Published in association with the Royal Society of Chemistry, the series' kick-off duology - *The Periodic Table for Young Scientists* and *Chemistry for Young Scientists* - form a firm foundation in 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, Czechia. 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.

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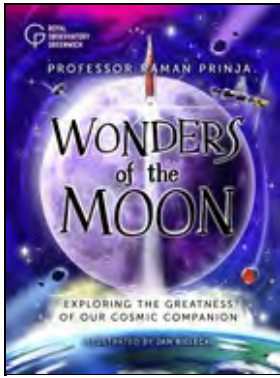
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### Previous Titles

RSC: Your Expert Guide: The Periodic Table for Young Scientists / Your Expert Guide: Chemistry for Young Scientists

RSB: Your Expert Guide: Biology for Young Scientists / Your Expert Guide: The Human Body for Young Scientists

IOP: Your Expert Guide: The Universe for Young Scientists / Your Expert Guide: Physics for Young Scientists



## Wonders of the Moon

### Exploring the greatness of our cosmic companion

#### Professor Raman Prinja (Illustrated By Jan Bielecki)

#### Keynote

The must-have read for the next generation of Moon-landers, from international-award-winning author Professor Raman Prinja, Jan Bielecki and Royal Observatory Greenwich - explore the science of our cosmic companion and the wonder of how we get there

#### Description

**The must-have read for the next generation of Moon-landers**, from international-award-winning author Professor Raman Prinja, Jan Bielecki and Royal Observatory Greenwich - explore the science of our cosmic companion and the wonder of how we get there.

For the first time in over 50 years, humans are planning to set foot on the Moon again, and we've watched as inspiring astronauts orbited its dark side, travelling further from Earth than ever before. *Wonders of the Moon* is the perfect companion for these historic moments, filled with key science learning as well as up-close details of the Moon and the amazing tech that carries us there. From the Artemis missions, to the enormous potential of the vast swathes of water ice on the Moon, and plans for a base on the surface, readers age 9+ will learn so much about the brightest light in their night sky.

The book is part of a visually stunning series that takes an authoritative look at fascinating topics, including: *Wonders of the Night Sky* / *The Future of the Universe* / *The Wonders of Time* / *Wonders of the Mind*

#### Sales Points

- **Written by international-award-winning author, Professor Raman Prinja of UCL, with consultancy and foreword by Royal Observatory Greenwich, UK**
- **Filled with key science learning as well as up-close details of the Moon and the amazing tech that carries us there**
- **Part of a visually stunning series that takes an authoritative look at fascinating topics, with illustration and design by Jan Bielecki and produced with high-profile institutions**
- **Released to coordinate with NASA's Artemis missions, when today's young people will watch live as humans orbit, walk on and build infrastructure on the Moon**

#### Author Biography

##### Raman Prinja (Author)

Multi-award-winning author, Professor Raman Prinja, is Head of Department for Astronomy at University College London. He is dedicated to the belief that it is hugely important to promote awareness of astronomy and physics to as wide an audience as possible, and especially to motivate and inspire the next generation of Universe explorers. As part of Professor Prinja's outreach, he has written several books on astronomy to share the excitement of the Universe with laypersons, parents, teachers and, above all, young people.

##### Jan Bielecki (Illustrator)

Jan Bielecki is a Polish-Swedish illustrator and designer living in London. He mainly works with children's books and has illustrated fiction, picture books and non-fiction. Some of the topics he has covered include human anatomy, wrestling trolls, the scope of the Universe and slimy monsters.

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CBMC	<b>D5N79</b>
Age	<b>9-11 years</b>
Subject	<b>Non-fiction</b>
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Word Count	
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#### Previous Titles

*Wonders of the Night Sky*  
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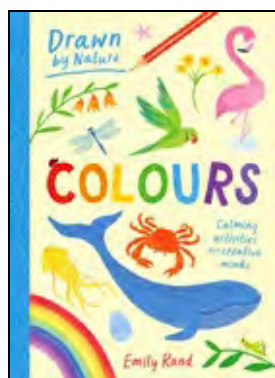
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CBMC	<b>C5L79</b>
Age	<b>7-9 years</b>
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Type	<b>Activity Book</b>
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Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
Format	<b>289x210</b>
Extent	<b>64 pages</b>
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	<b>World (ex USA, Can)</b>
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#### Previous Titles

*Drawn by Nature: Patterns* (2025)  
9781510231443

## Drawn By Nature: Colours

Emily Rand

### Keynote

**An art activity book celebrating the kaleidoscope of colour found in nature, designed to bring a little bit of calm into your day.**

### Description

**An art activity book celebrating the kaleidoscope of colour found in nature, designed to bring a little bit of calm into your day.**

Combining creativity and calming repetition, this is a beautiful art activity book to help you feel grounded, relaxed and inspired by nature. From the vibrant green feathers of the ring-necked parakeet and the fiery reds and pinks of a sunset to the bold orange of the clownfish, this book is bursting with plant and animal life that's just begging for some colour to be added or extra detail to be doodled.

Designed to inspire mindfulness and spark creativity, this book offers a relaxing blend of colouring and doodling - perfect for those who love to sketch and colour in, unwind, or simply notice the small, beautiful details in nature.

### Sales Points

- Perfect for parents looking for calming activities for their children, as well as fans of adult colouring titles
- Encourages children to take a closer look at the natural world, teaching them to be observant and developing their curiosity
- Includes natural history facts around colour in nature, as well as some handy drawing tips and a useful guide to art materials

### Author Biography

**Emily Rand** studied illustration at Camberwell College of Arts and the London College of Communication. After graduating she worked with children and young people teaching art and running creative workshops in schools, galleries and museums. Inspired by the beautiful and unusual books in the children's bookshop Chantelivre in Paris, Emily was inspired to start creating picture books in her free time.

In 2012 she entered her illustrations to the illustrator's exhibition at Bologna Children's Book Fair, her work was selected and nominated for the prestigious Bologna Illustrator's Award. The selected illustrations became her first picture book, *A Dog Day*, published in 2014 by Tate Publishing. Since then she has written and illustrated six books published by Tate Publishing, Thames & Hudson and Flying Eye, her books have been translated into many languages and sold all over the world (including in the Chantelivre bookshop in Paris!).

In 2019 Emily was selected by the Children's Laureate, Lauren Child, to be featured in *Drawing Words*, an exhibition of contemporary UK children's book illustration.

Emily lives in east London and works from a studio nearby in an old carpentry factory.

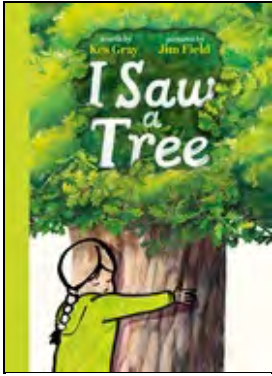
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Thema 1.6	<b>Early years: nature and animals (YBLL) Picture storybooks (YBCS) For National Curriculum Early Years (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACA) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)</b>

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

Binding	<b>Hardback</b>
Format	<b>270x195</b>
Extent	<b>48 pages</b>
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	<b>UK; World (ex USA, Can)</b>
Not for Sale	<b>Can; USA</b>

**Previous Titles**

Oi Frog and Friends series

**I Saw a Tree**

**The inspiring new interactive picture book from the bestselling team behind Oi Frog!**

**Kes Gray (Illustrated By Jim Field)**

**Keynote**

A groundbreaking new picture book from Kes Gray and Jim Field, with innovative peep-through pages and a timely and critical message about deforestation.

**Description**

A momentous, inspiring and unforgettable story from Kes Gray and Jim Field with an urgent message about deforestation.

*I saw a tree. The tree saw me.  
I climbed the tree. The tree raised me.  
The tree raised me.  
The tree raised me.*

This is the story of one girl's attempt to save her beloved tree from deforestation.

Heartbreaking and inspiring in equal measure, this is a picture book like no other. With peep-through pages and breathtaking artwork, this magnificent collaboration is a call to action for humanity to protect and save our trees: for today, tomorrow and eternity.

**Sales Points**

- Innovative peep-through pages bring the message to life in a poignant and original way
- An exciting new direction and style for the creators of the multi-award-winning Oi Frog and Friends series
- With a moving yet child-friendly message about the urgent need to protect our trees
- Jim Field is the illustrator for The World of Rachel Bright and & Jim Field series, which has sold over 6 million copies worldwide in 44 languages

**Author Biography**

**Kes Gray (Author)**

**Kes Gray** is the bestselling author of the OI FROG AND FRIENDS series of books that has sold over 3 million copies and has been adapted into a theatre show. He is a multi-award-winning author with over 70 books published. He eats Ideafakes for breakfast, spreads silliness on his toast and loves to write books that will make children laugh out loud. He has won the Sainsbury's Children's Book Award and the Laugh Out Loud Book Award and has been shortlisted for the British Book Awards. Kes is based in Essex.

**Jim Field (Illustrator)**

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

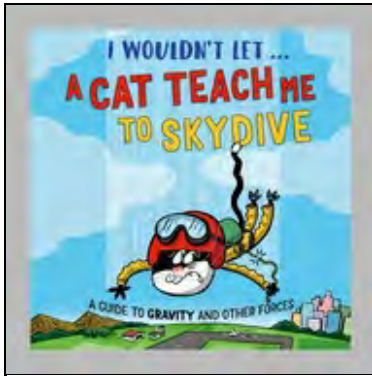
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## I Wouldn't Let a Cat Teach me to Skydive A guide to gravity and other forces

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

Each topic is explored through the eyes of one particular animal and the main humour is derived from the unlikely and incongruous scenario of how a particular animal encounters a particular scientific experience/theme. For example, the book about space will include a panda trying to eat in zero gravity, run science experiments, exercise in space, live on board a space station and attempt a spacewalk as well as launch a spaceship. And there's some fun animal facts integrated within the spreads, too.

### 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	<b>Thursday, September 24, 2026</b>
Price	<b>£8.99 / ₹799</b>
Main Identifier	<b>9781526330956</b>
Thema 1.6	<b>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)</b>

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

Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
Format	<b>245x245</b>
Depth	<b>14mm</b>
Extent	<b>32 pages</b>
Word Count	
Series	<b>I Wouldn't Let...</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>UK; World (ex USA, Can)</b>
Not for Sale	<b>Can; USA</b>

### Previous Titles

I Wouldn't Let ... a Panda Launch a Spacecraft  
I Wouldn't Let ... a Cat Teach me to Skydive  
I Wouldn't Let ... a Dog Ride a Bike  
I Wouldn't Let ... an Elephant Ride a Skateboard  
I Wouldn't Let ... a Bear Build a House  
I Wouldn't Let ... a Shark be my Doctor

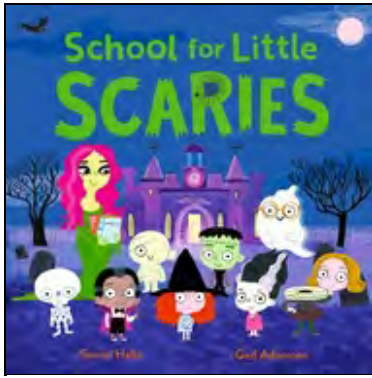
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Price	<b>£7.99 / ₹499</b>
Main Identifier	<b>9781444979466</b>
Thema 1.6	<b>Picture storybooks (YBCS) Early years: daily routine (YBLM) Children's / Teenage fiction: Horror and ghost stories, chillers, or other scary supernatural stories (YFD) Children's / Teenage fiction: School stories (YFS) Picture storybooks: imagination and play (YBCS2) For National Curriculum Early Years (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACA) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)</b>

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

Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
Format	<b>245x245</b>
Extent	<b>32 pages</b>
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	<b>UK; World (ex USA, Can)</b>
Not for Sale	<b>Can; USA</b>

## School for Little Scaries

**Smriti Prasadam-Halls (Illustrated By Ged Adamson)**

### Keynote

Join this adorable cast of Halloween characters for a fun-filled day at Spooky School!

### Description

*Spooky School's the place to be,  
Step inside, you'll quickly see.  
The bell has rung, school's begun . . .  
Get ready for some spooky fun!*

It's schooltime for this adorable cast of Halloween characters! Join a day in their classroom as they howl with Mr Werewolf, play hide-and-seek with Gertie Ghost and try to stick Skelly back together.

This spook-tacular celebration of school puts a delightful Halloween twist on familiar early learning. Little ones will love recognising their favourite lessons: from Circle Time with Madame Fright to counting potion ingredients in Maths. Featuring bold artwork and a cheerful rhyme, this is the perfect confidence-building story for little ones at nursery and school. Do YOU have what it takes to be part of the spooky crew?

### Sales Points

- An excellent springboard for discussions around starting school or nursery, and a perfect confidence-builder for little ones already attending
- The first book in this exciting new series - with *School for Little Superheroes* following on in 2027
- From bestselling duo and new powerhouse pairing, Smriti Halls and Ged Adamson

### Author Biography

#### Smriti Prasadam-Halls (Author)

**Smriti Halls** is a bestselling, award-winning children's author, published in more than 40 languages worldwide. Her best-loved stories include *Rain Before Rainbows*, *I Love You Night and Day*, and her acclaimed series with Steve Small, *I'm Sticking With You*.

Smriti is a former Writer in Residence for BookTrust and is a patron for the School Library Association.

South Indian by birth, British by nationality and London-loving at heart, she lives and works near Richmond Park with her husband and three sons.

#### Ged Adamson (Illustrator)

**Ged Adamson** was born in Liverpool. In 2016, his story about a short-sighted dog, *Douglas You Need Glasses!*, received rave reviews and became his breakthrough picture book. Ged has since written and illustrated many books including *Shark Dog!*, *A Fox Found a Box* and *The Elephant Detectives*. He lives in London with his partner and son.





## Football Stories: Van Dijk

**Simon Mugford (Illustrated By Dan Green)**

### Keynote

This fully illustrated picturebook tells young fans everything they need to know about Van Dijk, the world's greatest defender!

### Description

Say hello to Virgil van Dijk, the rock at the heart of Liverpool's defence! This fun, fully illustrated unofficial picture book is part of the amazing *Football Superstars* series. Inside, young readers will discover how Van Dijk went from playing football in the Netherlands to becoming a world-class defender and captain. A must-read for every young Van Dijk fan!

### Sales Points

- Simple text and full-colour pictures filled with recognisable football stars make this a must for any young Van Dijk fan.
- Based on the text and illustrations from the best-selling *Football Superstars: Van Dijk Rules* non-fiction chapter book, by superstar creators Simon Mugford and Dan Green.
- Virgil van Dijk has captained the Netherlands, won the Premier League and Champions League with Liverpool, and made over 250 appearances for the club, earning multiple Player of the Year awards along the way.

### 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.

#### Dan Green (Illustrator)

Dan Green has drawn silly pictures since he could hold a crayon. Then he grew up and started making books about stuff like trucks, space, people's jobs, Doctor Who and Star Wars. Dan lives in Suffolk with his wife, son, daughter and dog that takes him for very long walks.

Publication date	<b>Thursday, August 13, 2026</b>
Price	<b>£7.99 / ₹599</b>
Main Identifier	<b>9781804539842</b>
Thema 1.6	<b>Children's / Teenage general interest: Ball games and sports: Association football (Soccer) (YNWD1) Children's / Teenage general interest: Biography and autobiography (YNB) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF)</b>

CBMC	<b>B5M79</b>
Age	<b>5-7 years</b>
Subject	<b>Non-fiction</b>
Type	<b>Picture Book</b>
Character	<b>Non-character</b>
Tie In	<b>Non Tie-in</b>

Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
Format	<b>245x245</b>
Extent	<b>32 pages</b>
Word Count	
Series	<b>Football Stories</b>
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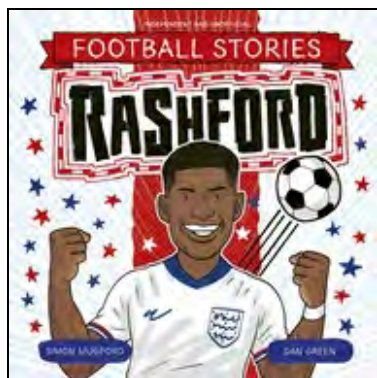
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## Football Stories: Rashford

Simon Mugford (Illustrated By Dan Green)

### Keynote

This beautifully illustrated picturebook tells the fantastic true story of Marcus Rashford's amazing career!

### Description

Meet Marcus Rashford, one of England's brightest football heroes! This brilliant, fully illustrated unofficial picture book comes from the hit *Football Superstars* series. Inside, young readers can follow Rashford's amazing journey from kicking a ball on the streets of Manchester to scoring goals for Manchester United and England. It's the ideal read for any young Rashford fan!

### Sales Points

- Based on the text and illustrations from the best-selling *Football Superstars: Rashford Rules* non-fiction chapter book, by superstar creators Simon Mugford and Dan Green.
- Simple text and full-colour pictures filled with recognisable football stars make this a must for any young Rashford fan.
- Part of the *Football Stories* picturebook series which includes top-selling titles featuring Haaland, Ronaldo, Messi, Mbappé and many more.

### 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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Thema 1.6	<b>Children's / Teenage general interest: Ball games and sports: Association football (Soccer) (YNWD1) Children's / Teenage general interest: Biography and autobiography (YNB) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF)</b>

CBMC	<b>B5M79</b>
Age	<b>5-7 years</b>
Subject	<b>Non-fiction</b>
Type	<b>Picture Book</b>
Character	<b>Non-character</b>
Tie In	<b>Non Tie-in</b>

Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
Format	<b>245x245</b>
Extent	<b>32 pages</b>
Word Count	
Series	<b>Football Stories</b>
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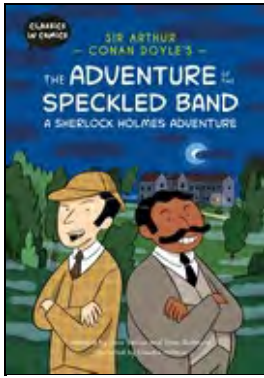
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# Classics in Comics: Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's The Adventure of the Speckled Band: A Sherlock Holmes Adventure

## A Comic Book

**Steve Barlow and Steve Skidmore (Illustrated By Claudia Petrazzi)**

### Keynote

**Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's Sherlock Holmes in *The Adventure of the Speckled Band* like you've never read it before - in pitch-perfect comic book form**

### Description

**Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's Sherlock Holmes in *The Adventure of the Speckled Band* like you've never read it before!** This comic book adapts a nail-biting Sherlock classic into a visual feast of humour & puzzling clues. Bringing literature's top sleuth to young audiences are Steve Skidmore & Steve Barlow - experts on accessible, inclusive & irresistible storytelling - with illustrations by cartoonist Claudia Petrazzi.

*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 2Steves, 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 Tiiiigeers!).

#### Claudia Petrazzi (Illustrator)

Claudia Petrazzi is an illustrator, author and cartoonist from Italy. She graduated in production design at Academy of Fine Arts in Perugia. She works mainly on middle grade/young adult books. Her webcomic Atomi is her first long project as an author.

Publication date	<b>Thursday, August 13, 2026</b>
Price	<b>£14.99 / ₹1199</b>
Main Identifier	<b>9781445196312</b>
Thema 1.6	<b>Children's / Teenage general interest: Humour: Funny cartoons and comic strips (YNUC) 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)</b>

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

Binding	<b>Hardback</b>
Format	<b>210x148</b>
Extent	<b>96 pages</b>
Word Count	
Series	<b>Classics in Comics</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>UK; World (ex USA, Can)</b>
Not for Sale	<b>Can; USA</b>

### 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  
*The Three Musketeers* 9781445196275  
*Around the World in Eighty Days* 9781445196398





## Peggy the Pug's Halloween Collection Includes Two Spooky Stories!

**Bella Swift (Edited By Chloe Pearce)**

### Keynote

A bewitching bumper collection featuring two spooky stories about Peggy the pug - **THE PUG WHO WANTED TO BE A PUMPKIN** and **THE PUG WHO WANTED TO BE A WITCH!**

### Description

Snuggle up with Peggy the pug this Halloween in this bumper collection!

In **The Pug who wanted to be a Pumpkin**, Peggy the pug's family are getting ready for Halloween, but Peggy's friend Chloe is too scared of monsters to look forward to trick-or-treating. Peggy must help Chloe realise that monsters aren't real in this heartwarming Halloween story about overcoming fears and anxiety.

In **The Pug who wanted to be a Witch**, Peggy wants to become a witch so she can do a magic spell and make the kitten next door disappear. But when she discovers a secret about her new neighbours, Peggy realises that a different kind of magic is needed - the magic of friendship!

A delightful Halloween collection with adorable black and white illustrations throughout. The perfect Halloween treat for fans of the world's most loveable pug!

### Sales Points

- A magical story set in the autumn told from a loveable pug's point of view.
- A bumper bind-up of two best-selling stories, *The Pug Who Wanted to be a Pumpkin* and *The Pug Who Wanted to be a Witch*
- Adorable black and white illustrations throughout
- *The Pug Who Wanted to be a Witch* introduces an adorable new kitten character as Peggy's neighbour
- *The Pug Who Wanted to be a Witch* has an important message about dealing with change and conflict.

### Author Biography

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

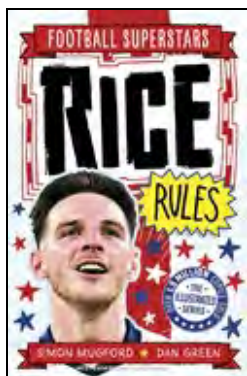
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Price	<b>£9.99 / ₹599</b>
Main Identifier	<b>9781408376812</b>
Thema 1.6	<b>Children's / Teenage fiction: Nature and animal stories (YFP) Children's / Teenage general interest: Dogs and wolves (YNNJ21) Children's / Teenage fiction: Family and home stories (YFN) Children's / Teenage fiction: Humorous stories (YFQ) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) Interest age: from c 5 years (SAF) Hallowe'en / Halloween (5HCP)</b>

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

Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
Format	<b>B Format</b>
Extent	<b>352 pages</b>
Word Count	
Series	<b>The Pug Who Wanted to...</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>UK; World (ex USA, Can)</b>
Not for Sale	<b>Can; USA</b>

### Previous Titles

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



Publication date	<b>Thursday, August 13, 2026</b>
Price	<b>£6.99 / ₹499</b>
Main Identifier	<b>9781839553097</b>
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CBMC	<b>B5N79</b>
Age	<b>5-7 years</b>
Subject Type	<b>Non-fiction Ordinary Printed Book Format</b>
Character Tie In	<b>Non-character Non Tie-in</b>
Binding Format	<b>Paperback B Format</b>
Extent	<b>128 pages</b>
Word Count	
Series	<b>Football Superstars</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>World (ex USA, Can)</b>
Not for Sale	<b>Can; Carib; Cent &amp; S Am</b>

## Football Superstars: Rice Rules

**Simon Mugford (Illustrated By Dan Green)**

### Keynote

Meet Declan Rice - the unstoppable midfield maestro! Packed with fun facts, awesome cartoons and unbelievable stats, this book shows how Rice became a true football superstar.

### Description

*Football Superstars: Rice Rules* is packed with awesome cartoons, fun facts and action-filled stories about one of football's most hard-working heroes. Discover how Declan rose from academy hopeful to Premier League champion and England star, learn the secrets of his ball-winning superpowers, and follow his biggest goals, greatest tackles and standout stats.

With laugh-out-loud quips, brilliant illustrations and loads of inside info, this is the perfect book for young fans who love skill, spirit and a player who never gives up. Declan Rice truly rules the pitch!

### Sales Points

- **Bursting with fun facts and fast-paced stories about Rice's rise from grassroots to global stardom.**
- Packed with hilarious cartoons that bring his biggest moments to life.
- Perfect for 5+ readers who love football, collect superstars and want to learn what makes champions tick.

### 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.

#### Dan Green (Illustrator)

Dan Green has drawn silly pictures since he could hold a crayon. Then he grew up and started making books about stuff like trucks, space, people's jobs, Doctor Who and Star Wars. Dan lives in Suffolk with his wife, son, daughter and dog that takes him for very long walks.

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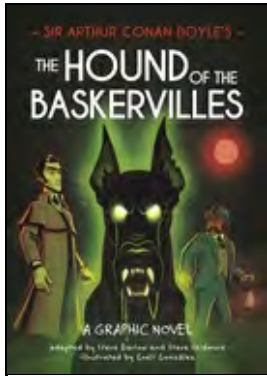
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## Classics in Graphics: Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's The Hound of the Baskervilles

### A Graphic Novel starring Sherlock Holmes

Steve Barlow and Steve Skidmore (Illustrated By Gueli González)

#### Keynote

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's Sherlock Holmes in *The Hound of the Baskervilles* like you've never seen it - or read it - before, in pitch-perfect graphic novel form

#### Description

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's Sherlock Holmes in *The Hound of the Baskervilles* like you've never seen it - or read it - before! *Classics in Graphics: The Hound of the Baskervilles* has been adapted from gothic novel into graphic novel by expert authors, Steve Skidmore and Steve Barlow, with illustrations by Gueli González. Readers join the spectacular Sherlock Holmes and the devoted Dr Watson's dark and ghostly investigation as it swirls across each page, searching for clues before it's too late ...

This series has inclusion at its heart, flinging wide the doors of literature for all to enter and understand. With dyslexia-friendly design for readers aged 10+; inclusive art so anyone can relate to iconic characters; snappy simplified text; introductory material to set the scene; heaps of material at the back, looking at the themes, language, publication, performance in history, a timeline of gothic horror literature, and more!

Classics available: *Macbeth*, *The Tempest*, *Hamlet*, *Romeo and Juliet*, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, *Much Ado About Nothing*, *Othello*, *Twelfth Night*, *The Merchant of Venice*, *Dracula*, *Frankenstein*, *The Hound of the Baskervilles*, *A Christmas Carol*, *The Odyssey*

*Praise for Classics in Graphics:* "[...] an excellent job converting challenging language and literary themes to make it very inclusive, smoothing ease of understanding dialogue, plot, and narration without dumbing it down." - *EricWilliamson, leagueofcomicgeeks.com*

#### Sales Points

- From the authors who've written 250+ books together, the 2Steves, including the iHero choose-your-own adventure series, many graphic novels and hi-lo titles
- Valuable introductory and ending materials to enhance understanding of the context of each play and Shakespeare's genius - perfect for school or home-learning use
- This series has carefully pitched art styles to suit each play and appeal to a spectrum of readers, done by illustrators from a variety of countries around the world

#### Author Biography

##### Steve Barlow (Author)

As 50% of the 2Steves, 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)

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##### Gueli González (Illustrator)

Gueli González is a Spanish illustrator, born and raised in Jaén. From a young age he loved animated fairytales, which inspired him to start drawing. He studied Illustration and later specialised in Concept Art and Character Design in Lightbox Academy and U-tad. He then worked as an intern in WildBrain (London) and Skydance Animation (Madrid). His first work as a concept artist was on the Goya Award winning short film "Madrid 2120" for Lightbox Academy.

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CBMC	<b>E3N79</b>
Age	<b>12+ years</b>
Subject	<b>Fiction</b>
Type	<b>Ordinary Printed Book Format</b>
Character Tie In	<b>Non-character Non Tie-in</b>
Binding	<b>Hardback</b>
Format	<b>244x172</b>
Extent	<b>112 pages</b>
Word Count	
Series	<b>Classics in Graphics</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>UK; World (ex USA, Can)</b>
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#### Previous Titles

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## Classics in Graphics: Bram Stoker's Dracula A Graphic Novel

**Steve Barlow and Steve Skidmore (Illustrated By Juan Calle)**

### Keynote

**Stoker's *Dracula* like you've never seen it - or read it - before, in pitch-perfect graphic novel form**

### Description

**Stoker's *Dracula* like you've never seen it - or read it - before!** *Classics in Graphics: Dracula* has been adapted from gothic novel into graphic novel by expert authors, Steve Skidmore and Steve Barlow, with illustrations by Juan Calle. Readers join the nail-biting chase that swirls across each page, as Dracula searches for blood and his prey seek to destroy him before it's too late ...

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#### Juan Calle (Illustrator)

**Juan Calle** is a former biologist turned science illustrator from Bogotá, Colombia, who trained on the Science Illustration programme at California State University, Monterey Bay, USA. He worked for field guides of plants and animals of his country of origin, Colombia, and now works in his own art studio, Liberum Donum, creating concept art, storyboarding and his passion, comic books.

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CBMC	<b>E3N79</b>
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## The Sad Ghost Club Volume 5 Find Your Kindred Spirits

Lize Meddings

### Keynote

**'We wanted to create a space where anyone who is feeling sad or alone could come and feel ... well, not so alone. Welcome ... to the Sad Ghost Club!'**

*A heart-warming graphic novel series about friendship, compassion and finding your kindred spirits.*

### Description

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**The final volume in the heart-warming graphic novel series about friendship, compassion and finding your kindred spirits.**

When one sad ghost, alone at a crowded party, spies another sad ghost across the room, what happens next changes everything. Because that night, they leave the party and start the Sad Ghost Club - a secret society for the anxious and alone, a club for people who think they don't belong.

In Volume 5, the Sad Ghost Club are organising a fundraiser, but one of its founding members is suspiciously absent. Can the rest of the team rally together to take on the challenge, and find a way to support their missing member?

*Stunningly illustrated, this is the conclusion to the stunning Sad Ghost Club graphic novel series, for fans of Heartstopper and Jennifer Niven, and for anyone who's ever felt invisible.*

*Join the community of half a million ghosties on Instagram, @theofficialsadghostclub*

### Sales Points

- The Sad Ghost Club's Instagram account has a community of over 625,000 followers, a community created and maintained by Lize Meddings, the talented author/illustrator of the series
- Takes a playful yet profound look at anxiety and depression via the metaphor of a person wearing a sheet over their head like a ghost
- Lize's personal story around her own mental health struggles informs her hugely authentic and moving story
- The first four volumes have shipped a combined 130k+ copies out of the warehouse and sold over 45,000 through the TCM
- The series has been translated into 7 languages so far

### Author Biography

Lize Meddings is the creator of the Sad Ghost Club, a club for anyone who's ever felt sad or lost. The Sad Ghost Club community has over half a million followers on Instagram.

Lize loves drawing, especially plants and animals. She currently lives and illustrates in Bristol.

Find more information about the club at [thesadghostclub.com](https://thesadghostclub.com)

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## Octonauts Above & Beyond: Octo-Agent Colouring Book

### Official Octonauts

#### Keynote

Join the Octonauts on their global mission as they explore, rescue and protect animals in need.

#### Description

**Join the Octonauts as they head Above & Beyond on daring new missions across deserts, forests, mountains and more.**

This official Octonauts Above & Beyond: Octo-Agent Colouring Book is bursting with fun pictures to colour, plus brilliant facts about all your favourite characters from the hit TV series.

Young explorers can learn about the Octo-Agents, discover their special skills and bring each action-packed scene to life with colour. Designed for preschoolers and early learners, every page encourages creativity and adventure.

#### Sales Points

- **Official publishing for the long-running CBeebies series, *Octonauts: Above & Beyond*.**  
The Octonauts franchise consistently ranks among the top preschool animated series globally, with strong broadcast presence on **Netflix**, **CBeebies** and **YouTube**.
- High-quality, simple colouring pages featuring fun facts about all the *Octonauts: Above & Beyond* characters and vehicles, including fan favourites like Captain Barnacles, Dashi and Peso, as well as recent additions.
- **Perfect for gifting, impulse purchases, travel and engaging screen-free downtime.**

#### Author Biography

After more than a decade on the air, the Octonauts expand their exploration beyond the sea - and onto land in **Octonauts Above & Beyond**. With new vehicles and new friends, they protect habitats and animals at risk.

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Thema 1.6	<b>Children's interactive and activity: drawing, colouring and painting (YBGC) Early years: nature and animals (YBLL) Children's / Teenage general interest: Wildlife and habitats (YNNB) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC) For National Curriculum Early Years (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACA)</b>

CBMC	<b>A5L68</b>
Age	<b>0-5 years</b>
Subject	<b>Non-fiction</b>
Type	<b>Activity Book</b>
Character	<b>Character</b>
Tie In	<b>TV / Film Tie-in</b>

Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
Format	<b>265x210</b>
Extent	<b>32 pages</b>
Word Count	
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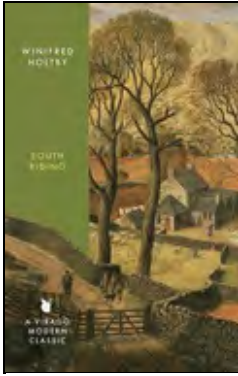
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Edition Type	<b>Reissue number 2</b>
Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
Format	<b>B Format</b>
Depth	<b>36mm</b>
Extent	<b>544 pages</b>
Word Count	
Illustrations	<b>0</b>
Series	<b>Virago Modern Classics</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>None</b>
Not for Sale	<b>None</b>
Book locale	<b>South Yorkshire, England</b>
Author born in	<b>Rudston, UK</b>
Author living in	<b>Deceased</b>

#### Publishing History

First published in 1936.

#### Previous Titles

9781844087914 Anderby Wold  
9780860682516 Mandoa, Mandoa!  
9781844087907 Poor Caroline  
9781860491641 Remember, Remember!  
9780860682080 The Crowded Street  
9781844087921 The Land Of Green Ginger

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Audio	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Dramatisation and documentary	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Electronic	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Film and TV	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Large print	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Podcast	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Translation	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Undramatised (straight) reading	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
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## South Riding

### Winifred Holtby, Introduction by Marion Shaw

#### Keynote

A rich, panoramic portrait of a Yorkshire community in the thirties that carries surprising and refreshing echoes of our own time.

#### Description

'One of my favourite novels: a life-enhancing, twentieth-century masterpiece' **CHARLOTTE MENDELSON**

'Rich in humour and worldly insight' **INDEPENDENT**

'A novel that works beautifully on all sorts of levels, capturing the life of a whole community even as it offers us the passions, frustrations and tragedies of individual lives. . . I can't say enough good things about this book' **SARAH WATERS**

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**A classic masterpiece of England between the wars, *South Riding* is a warm, poignant, panoramic portrait of one Yorkshire community**

When Sarah Burton returns to her hometown as headmistress she is full of ambition, determined to create a great school and to inspire her girls to take all they can from life. But in the aftermath of the First World War, the country is in depression and ideals are hard won. Lydia Holly, the scholarship girl from the shacks, is the most brilliant student Sarah has ever taught, but when her mother's health fails, her education must be sacrificed.

Robert Carne of Maythorpe Hall stands for everything Sarah despises: his family has farmed the South Riding for generations, their position uncontested. Yet Sarah cannot help being drawn to this proud, haunted - and almost ruined - man.

*South Riding* is a life-enhancing classic, bringing vividly to life a rural community on the brink of change.

**This beautiful 90th anniversary edition contains a preface by Shirley Williams, an introduction by Marion Shaw and an epitaph by Vera Brittain.**

#### Sales Points

- **AN UNDERRATED MASTERPIECE:** This beautiful classic, with its warmly humorous, moving and sweeping depiction of a Yorkshire community in the 1930s, will appeal to fans of *One Fine Day*, *A Month in the Country* by JL Carr, Monica Dickens and *Middlemarch*.
- **90th ANNIVERSARY:** This beautiful new edition, released for the 90th anniversary, contains a preface by Shirley Williams, a new introduction by Holtby's biographer Marion Shaw, and an afterword by Vera Brittain.
- **BELOVED TELEVISION SERIES:** *South Riding* was adapted by Andrew Davies into a beloved BBC 1 drama, starring Anna Maxwell Martin and David Morrissey, in 2011.

#### Reviews

- '**Rich in humour and worldly insight** . . . this panoramic story of local politics stands as testament not only to Holtby's strong belief in public service' - *Independent*
- 'While the novel undoubtedly remains a fascinating depiction of a time and place, it is more than that. In its **portrait of the workings of a community, in its celebration of social spirit**, and in Burton's final urging of her girls to serve yet also to challenge and question and strive, it feels both timely and necessary' - *Guardian*
- 'Holtby's personal masterpiece: **a novel that works beautifully on all sorts of levels**, capturing the life of a whole community even as it offers us the passions, frustrations and tragedies of individual lives . . . I can't say enough good things about this book' - Sarah Waters
- 'A triumph of personality, a testament of its author's undaunted philosophy' - Vera Brittain

#### Author Biography

Winifred Holtby (1898-1935) was an English journalist and novelist. Holtby was a committed socialist and feminist who wrote the classic *South Riding* as a warm yet sharp social critique of the well-to-do farming community she was born into. This was adapted into a British Drama film and later a television adaptation by the BBC. She wrote a lot of literary fiction, biographies and memoirs. She was a good friend of Vera Brittain, possibly portraying her as Delia in *The Crowded Street*. She died at the age of thirty-seven.



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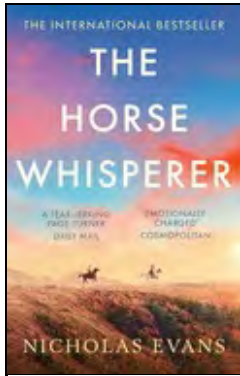
### Author Biography

Nicholas Evans studied law at Oxford University after a year in Africa, teaching English with Voluntary Service Overseas. He then worked as a journalist, film producer and screenwriter, before writing five bestselling novels. *The Horse Whisperer*, his first book, was made into a movie directed by Robert Redford. He lives in the southwest of England with his wife, singer-songwriter Charlotte Gordon Cumming.

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Thema 1.6	<b>Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA) Children's / Teenage general interest: Ponies, horses and related animals (YNNJ24) Equine veterinary medicine (MZDH) Classic fiction: literary and general (FBC)</b>
Edition Type	<b>Reissue number3</b>
Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
Format	<b>B Format</b>
Depth	<b>29mm</b>
Extent	<b>448 pages</b>
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Illustrations	<b>0</b>
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*The Smoke Jumper*  
*The Divide*  
*The Brave*

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## The Horse Whisperer

### The sweeping, romantic novel that sold over twenty million copies

**Nicholas Evans**

#### Keynote

**A stunning new edition of the phenomenal number one bestseller. *The Horse Whisperer* has sold over twenty million copies worldwide and was made into a classic film starring Robert Redford and Scarlett Johansson.**

#### Description

**The phenomenal number one bestseller, which sold over twenty million copies and was made into a classic film starring Robert Redford and Scarlett Johansson**

'A love story, a gripping adventure and an emotionally charged tale of redemption and human strength' ***Cosmopolitan***

'Brilliance pervades this five-handkerchief weepie' ***The Times***

'Wild horses couldn't drag me from this . . . a tear-jerking page-turner' ***Daily Mail***

When Grace Maclean and her beloved horse, Pilgrim, are hit by a truck one snow-covered morning, their destinies become inextricably bound to one another.

Though both manage to survive the tragedy, the impact on their lives is devastating; both horse and girl are traumatised and profoundly changed.

Beside herself with worry, Grace's mother, Annie Macean, hears about a man called Tom Brooker, a 'whisperer' said to possess the gift of healing troubled horses. He is her last hope and she decides to abandon her life in upstate New York, setting off across the continent with Grace and Pilgrim to find him. This journey, under the sweeping Montana sky, will change all their lives for ever . . .

#### What everyone's saying about *The Horse Whisperer*:

'A book that **couldn't have been written any better**. Nicholas Evans spins a **heart wrenching epic love story** . . . Buy it, borrow it or steal it. But don't miss this gem for anything' ***Five stars, Goodreads reviewer***

'A beautiful story, beautifully told. **If you've seen the movie, do yourself a favour and read the book**. The reading experience will make the movie version even better' ***Five stars, Goodreads reviewer***

'Easily **in my top 5 books I have ever read** . . . Some parts of the story were devastating and some parts were magical. If you aren't scared to feel all of the feelings, read this. **Be prepared to have your heart ripped out'** ***Five stars, Goodreads reviewer***

'This has to be one of the best books I have ever read and **it had me hooked from the first page** . . . If you have seen the film then **I beg you to read this book** because the director truly hasn't done this amazing story justice!' ***Five stars, Amazon reviewer***

#### Sales Points

- **A BEAUTIFUL NEW REISSUE:** This emotional, sweeping love story is being reissued for fans of *GO AS A RIVER* by Shelley Read, *WHERE THE CRAWDADS SING* by Delia Owens and *BROKEN COUNTRY* by Clare Leslie Hall
- **A GLOBAL PHENOMENON:** over twenty million copies of this classic novel have been sold worldwide
- **ADAPTED INTO A MAJOR HOLLYWOOD MOVIE:** The novel was made into a beloved film in 1998, starring Robert Redford, Scarlett Johansson and Kristin Scott Thomas

#### Reviews

- **'Brilliance pervades this five-handkerchief weepie'** - *The Times*
- **'A love story, a gripping adventure and an emotionally charged tale of redemption and human strength'** - *Cosmopolitan*
- **'Wild horses couldn't drag me from this . . . a tear-jerking page-turner'** - *Daily Mail*
- **'Sensational . . . Part love story, part adventure**, the book is above all a story of self-knowledge, healing and redemption' - *Daily Telegraph*

#### Author Biography

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Nicholas Evans studied law at Oxford University after a year in Africa, teaching English with Voluntary Service Overseas. He then worked as a journalist, film producer and screenwriter, before writing five bestselling novels. *The Horse Whisperer*, his first book, was made into a movie directed by Robert Redford. He lives in the southwest of England with his wife, singer-songwriter Charlotte Gordon Cumming.

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FOR THE THRONE

THE FOXGLOVE KING  
THE HEMLOCK QUEEN  
THE NIGHTSHADE GOD

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## Reliquary

**Hannah F. Whitten**

### Keynote

In this deliciously atmospheric horror debut from *Sunday Times* bestselling author Hannah Whitten, a grieving woman is lured to her late fiancé's remote island estate - only to uncover eerie family secrets, a haunting past and a monstrous hunger stirring beneath the sea.

### Description

**'Hannah Whitten was born to write horror! . . . Utterly brilliant'**

Rachel Gillig, *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *The Knight and the Moth*

**In this deliciously atmospheric horror debut from *New York Times* bestselling author Hannah Whitten, a grieving woman is lured to her late fiancé's remote island estate - only to uncover eerie family secrets, a haunting past, and a monstrous hunger stirring beneath the sea.**

When Claire's fiancé Elias mysteriously dies of an unknown neurological illness, his estranged family invites her to a three-day wake at Harrow Point, their family home on a remote private island. Claire feels like she's being given the chance to find family again, to belong.

But something isn't right - their home stirs strange memories of the accident that killed Claire's parents, and Elias's brother seems insistent that she leave as soon as possible. As she dives deeper into the world of Harrow Point, she discover that there's something swimming in the bowels of Harrow Point, and it is hungry. But as Claire's window for escape rapidly closes, she starts to wonder, does she even want to?

**'A wild ride from start to finish. If you're a fan of the type of horror that is viscerally creepy but also makes you whisper "hell yeah" under your breath, look no further! I loved every salt-drenched second'**

Tori Bovalino, author of *My Throat an Open Grave*

**'Propulsive and completely impossible to put down . . . Hannah Whitten is my new favourite voice in horror'**

Erin A. Craig, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Thirteenth Child*

**'Evocative, haunting and deeply unsettling. Hannah's salt-soaked horror debut cements her as one of the most brilliant and incisive voices in speculative fiction'**

Alexis Henderson, author of *An Academy for Liars*

### Sales Points

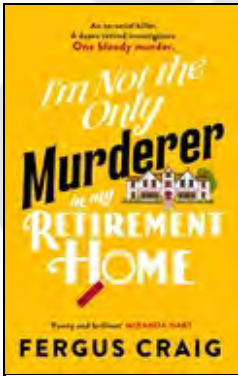
- Horror is having a resurgence at the moment and this character driven, atmospheric novel will have huge appeal to fans of books like *Our Wives Under The Sea* by Julia Armfield, *The Last House on Needless Street* by Catriona Ward and *The Twisted Ones* by T. Kingfisher
- *The Foxglove King* was an instant number-one *Sunday Times* bestseller and has sold over 250,000 copies across all formats worldwide (as of December 2025)
- Hannah's previous two series both have elements of dark fantasy and horror in them so this book will still appeal to her existing fans. She has a very engaged fanbase and over 30K followers on Instagram.

### Reviews

- **'Hannah Whitten was born to write horror!** Visceral and grotesque and utterly fascinating, *Reliquary* explores grief's haunting hollowness . . . and the horrifying things that try to fill it. **Utterly brilliant!** - Rachel Gillig, *NEW YORK TIMES* bestselling author of *THE KNIGHT AND THE MOTH*
- **'Propulsive and completely impossible to put down, *Reliquary* seized me with uneasy dread and will make me think twice before tiptoeing into any ocean. Hannah Whitten is my new favourite voice in horror'** - Erin A. Craig, *NEW YORK TIMES* bestselling author of *THE THIRTEENTH CHILD*
- **'Evocative, haunting, and deeply unsettling. Hannah's salt-soaked horror debut cements her as one of the most brilliant and incisive voices in speculative fiction'** - Alexis Henderson, author of *AN ACADEMY FOR LIARS*
- **'Reliquary is a wild ride from start to finish. If you're a fan of the type of horror that is viscerally creepy but also makes you whisper "hell yeah" under your breath, look no further! I loved every salt-drenched second'** - Tori Bovalino, author of *MY THROAT AN OPEN GRAVE*

### 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



## I'm Not the Only Murderer in My Retirement Home

### Fergus Craig

#### Keynote

Retirement will have to wait in this hugely entertaining and propulsive mystery, for fans of Richard Osman, Janice Hallett and Kristen Perrin

#### Description

**SOLVE THE MOST HILARIOUS MYSTERY OF THE YEAR**

**An ex-serial killer. A dozen retired investigators. And one bloody murder...**

'What a lovely romp - as it were - Fergus is so funny and brilliant.'

**MIRANDA HART**

'Making murder funny is a delicate business, but Craig manages it with aplomb in a wry, witty style'

**DAILY MAIL**

\*\*\*\*\* 'A fun and lighthearted cosy crime which had me laughing out loud'

#### CUSTOMER REVIEW

When former serial killer Carol takes her place in a luxury retirement home, she begins to find her feet with a small new group of friends. If she can only keep her past hidden, maybe she has a chance at happiness.

That's when she discovers that, absurdly, every other one of Sheldon Oaks' residents was involved in the law somehow. It's not long before her true identity is leaked, and when a former police commissioner resident is murdered, naturally all eyes turn to her...

Now she must solve the case to prove her innocence - just as her new friends start their own investigations into whether there is more than one killer at Sheldon Oaks.

#### Praise for Fergus Craig:

'I can't wait for you to get involved in [this] VERY silly thriller. We all need more laughs like this' **AISLING BEA**

'Laugh out loud funny.' **MARK BILLINGHAM**

'Tea-spittingly hilarious.' **CHRIS BROOKMYRE**

'Funny and gripping' **DARA Ó BRIAIN**

#### Sales Points

- **MAJOR RIGHTS DEALS:** I'M NOT THE ONLY MURDERER IN MY RETIREMENT HOME sold to Berkley (US) in a six-figure pre-empt, and at auction to Aufbau (Germany), and both have offered on the sequel.
- **HOT MARKET** An affectionate riff on the cosy mystery trend with fun parody elements, for readers of EVERYONE IN MY FAMILY HAS KILLED SOMEONE (27,316 PB TCM), HOW TO SOLVE YOUR OWN MURDER (60,833 PB TCM), and DEATH OF A BOOKSELLER (22,304 PB TCM)
- **PRIZE-NOMINATED AUTHOR:** Fergus Craig's MURDER AT CRIME MANOR was shortlisted for the Wodehouse Prize in 2023
- **ON THE RISE:** In 2022, Fergus had a BBC 2 comedy pilot short; and in 2025 he is contributing to a collection for the Wodehouse Estate, with other contributors including Frank Skinner and Andrew Hunter Murray

#### Reviews

- 'PRAISE FOR FERGUS CRAIG' - -
- 'Fergus Craig is one of the funniest people I know' - *Aisling Bea*
- 'Laugh out loud funny' - *Mark Billingham*
- 'Funny and gripping' - *Dara Ó Briain*

#### Author Biography

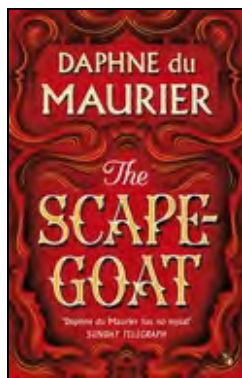
As well as an author, Fergus is a multi-award-winning actor, comedian and writer for television. *I'm Not the Only Murderer at This Wedding* is his fourth novel. He lives in London.

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## The Scapegoat

### Daphne Du Maurier

#### Keynote

A masterful exploration of doubling, identity and of the dark side of the self. One of du Maurier's most accomplished novels.

#### Description

**FROM THE BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF REBECCA**

**'What a magnificent thriller this is'** *NEW YORK TIMES BOOK REVIEW*

**'A good original novel, well tinged with nightmare'** *TIMES LITERARY SUPPLEMENT*

*He was my shadow, or I was his, and we were bound to each other through eternity.*

Two men - one English, one French - meet by chance in a railway station. Their resemblance is uncanny, and they spend the night talking and drinking together. But when John wakes the next morning that he realises his French companion has stolen his identity and disappeared. Forced to step into his doppelganger's shoes, John finds himself entangled in a web of secrets: as owner of a chateau, director of a failing business, head of a fractious family, and master of nothing.

**'A sublime and gothic genius. She is in a league of her own'** CAMILLA GRUDOVA

**'Gripping . . . It has great literary sophistication and an alienated post-war male conscience at its core'** LISA APPIGNANESI

#### Sales Points

- **GORGEOUS NEW EDITIONS:** These new editions of du Maurier's timeless novels are publishing in thematic collections for a new generation of readers, with fresh quotes from fans including Alice Slater, Lucy Foley and Emerald Fennell, director of *Saltburn*. This quartet of Uncanny Thrillers brings together *The House on the Strand*, *The Scapegoat*, *Julius* and *The Flight of the Falcon*, celebrating the dark side of du Maurier's writing and her love of doubles, timeslip, and twisted families.
- **CLASSICS THAT FEEL CONTEMPORARY:** Striking, contemporary covers will appeal to a BookTok audience as well as a younger literary readership. Du Maurier's novels are still a major influence on writers and filmmakers today - she is the queen of unreliable narrators, atmospheric locations and heartstopping suspense.
- **MULTI-MILLION-COPY BESTSELLER:** Du Maurier's books have sold millions of copies worldwide, and she continues to be one of the best-loved novelists of the 20th century - *Rebecca* was #14 on the BBC's 'Big Read' and included in the '100 novels that shaped the world'. Her novels continue to be adapted for film and television, with a major Netflix version of *Rebecca* in 2020. She is Virago's bestselling author.

#### Reviews

- 'A good original novel, well tinged with nightmare' - *Times Literary Supplement*
- 'What a magnificent thriller this is' - *NY Times Book Review*
- 'No other popular writer has so triumphantly defied classification . . . She satisfied all the questionable criteria of popular fiction, and yet satisfied the exacting requirements of "real literature", something very few novelists ever do' - Margaret Forster
- 'She wrote exciting plots, she was highly skilled at arousing suspense, and she was, too, a writer of fearless originality' - *Guardian*

#### Author Biography

Daphne du Maurier (1907-1989) was born in London, England. In 1931 her first novel, *The Loving Spirit* was published. A biography of her father and three other novels followed, but it was the novel *Rebecca* that launched her into the literary stratosphere and made her one of the most popular authors of her day. In 1932, du Maurier married Major Frederick Browning with whom she had three children.

Many of du Maurier's bestselling novels and short stories were adapted into award-winning films, including Alfred Hitchcock's *The Birds* and Nicolas Roeg's *Don't Look Now*. In 1969, du Maurier was awarded the Dame Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire (DBE). She lived most of her life in Cornwall and died there which is the setting for many of her books.

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Author living in	<b>Deceased</b>

#### Publishing History

First published in 1957

#### Previous Titles

Rebecca, My Cousin Rachel, Jamaica Inn, The King's General, Mary Anne, The Parasites, I'll Never Be Young Again, The Flight of the Falcon, Julius, The House on the Strand, The Scapegoat, The Loving Spirit, Hungry Hill, The Glass-Blowers, Frenchman's Creek, After Midnight

1st Serial	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
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## What Hunger

### Catherine Dang

#### Keynote

*Jennifer's Body* meets *Bones & All* by Camille DeAngelis, **WHAT HUNGER** is an emotional ode to deep generational memory and the violent power of teenage girlhood.

#### Description

**This is not a tale where the girl is running away from danger - instead, she is the danger.**

It's the summer before high school and Ronny Nguyen is too young for work and too old for cartoons. Instead, she spends her days falling asleep to trashy magazines on a plastic lawn chair in her small backyard. She's a stark contrast to her older brother Tommy, her immigrant parents' pride and joy. Ronny can't bear to think about what it will be like when Tommy, with whom she's always been close, goes to college and leaves her alone with Me and Ba in their quiet house.

Their parents never speak of their childhoods or families in Vietnam, except in the context of food: thick spring rolls with slim and salty nem nuong; bright yellow rice noodles called mi quang, steaming bowls of pho tai with thin, delicate slices of blood-red beef floating on top. In the aftermath of the war, Me and Ba explained, meat became dangerous. Ronny and Tommy must never take their lives - or their food - for granted. Well, Ronny never had much of an appetite for meat, and life on the wrong side of the highway in a white suburb has never been easy. But then tragedy strikes, and everything Ronny thought she knew about herself or her life, changes in an instant.

A few nights later at her first high school party, a boy does not take no for answer and suddenly Ronny is overtaken by a force, an urge, larger than herself. As Ronny comes into her own power, she discovers a new taste for life that is poised to save her, even as it threatens to destroy everything and everyone around her.

**"Whether it took days, or months, or years, I would come for him. And I would savour the moment."**

#### Sales Points

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

#### Author Biography

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

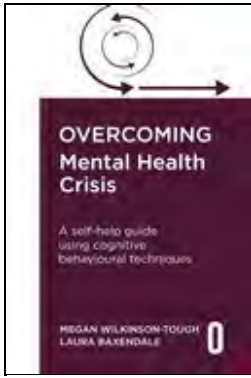
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## Overcoming Mental Health Crisis A self-help guide using cognitive behavioural techniques

**Megan Wilkinson-Tough and Laura Baxendale**

### Keynote

**Grounded guidance for navigating mental health crisis - practical coping skills, emotional resilience and real-world support for those seeking a way through overwhelming feelings.**

### Description

**A compassionate lifeline for navigating life's darkest moments.**

When life feels unmanageable and emotions spiral, you need more than reassurance - you need a toolkit that works when your mind and body are in turmoil. Millions of people experience a mental health crisis every year but often feel alone, overwhelmed and confused.

This book draws on years of frontline experience in mental health care, offering step-by-step support for anyone facing a mental health crisis, as well as their friends and family. Inside, you will find:

- Clear explanations of what a mental health crisis is, why it happens, and how to spot the warning signs before things escalate.
- Grounding techniques, safety planning and emotional coping skills rooted in cognitive behavioural therapies and mindfulness.
- Worksheets, checklists and exercises to help you chart your own path to stability.

From managing overwhelming feelings and frightening memories to rebuilding daily routines and reconnecting with your strengths, every page is designed to be usable even when concentration is low. Whether you're seeking practical strategies for crisis intervention or looking for ways to support a loved one, this is a no-nonsense guide to finding hope and taking the next step - no matter how small.

Overcoming self-help guides use clinically proven techniques to treat long-standing and disabling conditions, both psychological and physical. Many guides in the Overcoming series are recommended under the Reading Well scheme.

Series Editor: Emeritus Professor Peter Cooper

### Sales Points

- Responding to a demand for books that are transdiagnostic, reflect multiple morbidities and, in this case, cover a neglected area of mental health support - the moment of intense distress that can place people at risk of suicide or in mental health wards.
- Authors have done a great job of designing the structure and material so that this can be used right at the point of crisis, but reality is that most readers will be recommended this by doctors on mental health wards when in recovery, or will find this themselves after a relevant struggle. But numbers are significant - 100,000 people hospitalised for this a year in the UK and 24,000 beds in wards available at most times for this type of problem.

### Author Biography

**Dr Megan Wilkinson-Tough** is registered with the Health and Care Professions Council, UK and chartered by the British Psychological Society. She is a member of the BPS Division of Clinical Psychology, the British Association for Behavioural and Cognitive Psychotherapies and the International Society of Schema Therapy. Megan has over fifteen years of qualified experience working in the NHS, specialising in acute, severe and complex mental health needs. She is the Head of Psychology in a large nine-ward inpatient mental health service in the South-West of England and across her career has worked on twelve acute mental health wards treating people experiencing a mental health crisis. She won Leader of the Year 2024 in her Mental Health Trust Annual Awards.

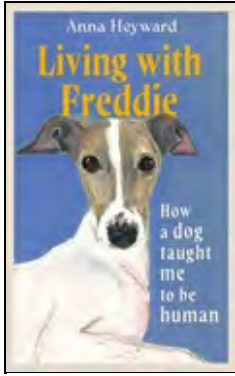
**Dr Laura Baxendale** is a Principal Clinical Psychologist and is registered with the Health and Care Professions Council, UK. Laura has worked in acute mental health services within the NHS for over fifteen years in various roles. Since qualifying in 2015, Laura has worked across six different inpatient wards. She is co-lead for a large inpatient mental health service in the South-West of England. Laura currently delivers training to staff teams on supporting individuals to make sense of their mental health crisis and has developed and delivers training on working in a trauma-informed way in an acute setting.

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Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
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Extent	<b>448 pages</b>
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Series	<b>Overcoming Books</b>
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Author living in	<b>Bristol/ Warminster</b>
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## Living with Freddie How a dog taught me to be human

Anna Heyward

### Keynote

A beautifully written memoir by an animal behavioural scientist and *New Yorker* writer, about seeing the world from the point of view of man's best - and oft misunderstood - friend, the dog.

### Description

**An extraordinary memoir about learning to see the world through a dog's eyes, by a *New Yorker* writer and animal behaviour expert**

**'A beautiful book ... leaving the reader feeling enlarged and enlightened' ELIF BATUMAN**

When Anna Heyward adopted Freddie, a rescued Italian greyhound, she was thrilled to bring a dog into her life. But Freddie, she quickly realised, had separation anxiety and was unable to be left alone. Some would have given up and returned the dog to the rescue centre but Anna, instead, became obsessed with trying to help Freddie, which meant putting her relationship, social life and job at risk. As Anna observed Freddie's behavior, she began to change - but not in the way you might expect.

*Living with Freddie* is a story about what it means to be bad or good, how much we can - or should - try to alter another being's behavior, and what it is possible to know about another mind. But at its heart, this is a beautiful, heart-wrenching portrait of the relationship between a human and a dog. And at the end of Freddie's story, you, too, may find yourself changed.

**'Compelling, vivid, and essential'** Sy Montgomery, author of *The Soul of an Octopus*

**'An extraordinary, beautifully written book ... a stunning meditation on the bond between beasts and humans'** Marc Bekoff, Ph.D. author of *Dogs Demystified: An A-to-Z Guide to All Things Canine* and *The Emotional Lives of Animals*

**'Heyward writes with sublime curiosity, uncommon lucidity, and an open heart - about her dog Freddie, yes, but also about love, devotion, suffering, natural selection, conditioning, and humans' relationship with the nonhuman world. I couldn't put it down'** Carolyn Kormann

### Sales Points

- With echoes of RAISING HARE, THE FRIEND and MY OCTOPUS TEACHER, this is a seamless blend of memoir and science writing that reveals deep truths about human nature and our relationship with animals.
- After her experience with Freddie, Anna enrolled as a graduate student in animal behaviour and welfare science at the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine so can speak with expertise
- Anna spends time in UK and Australia (she is originally Australian) and is available for publicity
- Anna Heyward's pieces in the *New Yorker* include 'Bad Dog' (a viral success which is the basis for this book) and 'The Opposite of a Muse', which was among the *New Yorker's* most popular pieces for six weeks running. Her writing has also been published by the *New York Times*, *New York Times Book Review*, *T Magazine*, *Paris Review*, and *Vogue*, among others.

### Author Biography

Anna Heyward is a former editorial staffer of *The New Yorker*. She is a graduate student in animal behaviour and welfare science at the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine and is working as a dog trainer. Her writing has also been published by the *New York Times*, *New York Times Book Review*, *T Magazine*, *Paris Review*, and *Vogue*, among others. She was a 2018 Ravitch Fellow at the CUNY School of Journalism. Anna lives in New York but is often in London and Melbourne, where she was born. She currently lives with a chihuahua cross named Big Girl, who can be seen on [instagram.com/biggirl.world](https://www.instagram.com/biggirl.world).

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## Odette Rising

'Reads like a subverted fairytale, steeped in wonder and daring . . . Masterful' Florence Knapp

**Julianne Edwards**

### Keynote

**A luscious, gothic historical coming-of-age novel about a young woman struggling to find her place in the darkly glamorous world of Paris at the turn of the last century**

### Description

**When the dressmakers had gone, she wrapped her arms around herself and squeezed tightly. Their visit had been awful; they had seen her pink and blue flesh, its hairs, dents and ripples. Her poor body, made to endure such scrutiny. But if she were really to go into the world, there was a price to pay. She must offer herself for scorn in order to feed her starving mind and imagination. And if she didn't, she would sit here for what would feel like eternity. She called for tea and eclairs.**

It's 1896 in Sèvres, France and, from her bedroom window, Odette Huré watches a funeral bier carry her father's coffin away. She is twenty-one and she has not left the house for ten years, soothing herself with books and food.

Odette's only joy is found in the extravagant menus she dreams up and which the housekeeper reluctantly prepares for her. With the sudden death of her father, the walls she has built around herself begin to crumble. Forced into society, she discovers she is now responsible for a fortune and a stockings factory - renowned for its exquisite designs which adorn the slender ankles of Parisian femmes célèbres.

Now Odette must try and navigate a world she has hidden from for so long. In doing so she must excavate the secrets left behind by her father and in turn, accept the shocking truth about her own identity and all that she is capable of.

Melding a beautifully researched historical setting and sharp portrayal of a woman fighting against the limitations of her society, *Odette Rising* is an unforgettable tale of darkness and light, secrets and lies, friendship and betrayal.

### Sales Points

- **DELICIOUSLY IMMERSIVE:** Gloriously gothic historical fiction with an irresistible sensory twist: its focus on food. The unexpected lovechild of Jessie Burton's *The Miniaturist* and Asako Yuzuki's *Butter*, it makes the perfect book club novel
- **MENTAL HEALTH FOCUS:** Julianne is a psychotherapist by day, and this novel is partly written as testament to the bravery of her patients. Exploring themes of body-image, shame, resilience and healing, the story has huge resonance for readers today
- **INTERESTING AND UNIQUE PREMISE:** This is a coming of age novel, but with the twist that Odette doesn't conform - it's not a love story, but a story of creating family where you find it
- **FOR FANS OF:** Historical book club fiction with a focus on the art and fashion world, such as *The Marriage Portrait* by Maggie O'Farrell, *The Painter's Daughters* by Emily Howes, *The Miniaturist* by Jessie Burton or *Girl With a Pearl Earring* by Tracy Chevalier

### Author Biography

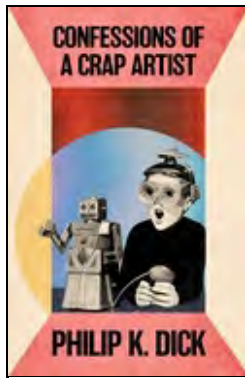
**Julianne Edwards** is an alumna of the Faber creative writing course and a psychotherapist by day. *Odette Rising* is her first novel and is partly written as testament to the bravery of her clients.

### Market

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## Confessions of a Crap Artist

**Philip K. Dick**

### Keynote

'An elusive and incomparable artist' Ursula K. Le Guin  
**A superb, mainstream novel from a literary giant.**

### Description

**'A funny, horribly accurate portrait of a life in California in the Fifties'** Rolling Stone

Jack Isidore is a 'crap artist', a collector of crackpot ideas and worthless objects. His beliefs make him a man apparently unsuited for real life and so his sister, an edgy and aggressive woman, and his brother-in-law, a crass and foul-mouthed businessman, feel compelled to rescue him from it.

But, observed through Jack's murderously innocent gaze, Fay and Charley Hume are seen to be just as obsessed as Jack. Their obsessions may be a little more acceptable than Jack's but they are uglier. And, in the end and thanks to Jack's intervention, theirs lead to tragedy ...

### Sales Points

- This was the only one of Philip K. Dick's mainstream novels, now recognized as among his finest, to be published during his lifetime
- Philip K. Dick has been introduced to a huge market through the movies *Blade Runner*, *Minority Report* and *A Scanner Darkly*
- The gorgeous, retro cover design will bring Philip K Dick's work to a whole new audience
- This is part of the Philip K Dick reissue programme throughout 2026

### Reviews

- 'Graceful, wry, vulnerable, pessimistic and wise' - *The Encyclopedia of Science Fiction*
- 'It is becoming increasingly clear that Dick is one of the most compelling chroniclers of life and love in 1950s California that we have' - *Publishers Weekly*
- 'Dick quietly produced serious fiction in a popular form and there can be no greater praise' - *Michael Moorcock*
- 'One of the most original practioners writing any kind of fiction, Dick made most of the European avant-garde seem like navel-gazers in a cul-de-sac' - *Sunday Times*

### Author Biography

Over a writing career that spanned three decades, PHILIP K. DICK (1928-1982) published 36 science fiction novels and 121 short stories in which he explored the essence of what makes man human and the dangers of centralized power. Toward the end of his life, his work turned to deeply personal, metaphysical questions concerning the nature of God. Eleven novels and short stories have been adapted to film, notably *Blade Runner* (based on *Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?*), *Total Recall*, *Minority Report*, and *A Scanner Darkly*, as well as television's *The Man in the High Castle*. The recipient of critical acclaim and numerous awards throughout his career, including the Hugo and John W. Campbell awards, Dick was inducted into the Science Fiction Hall of Fame in 2005, and between 2007 and 2009, the Library of America published a selection of his novels in three volumes. His work has been translated into more than twenty-five languages.

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### Previous Titles

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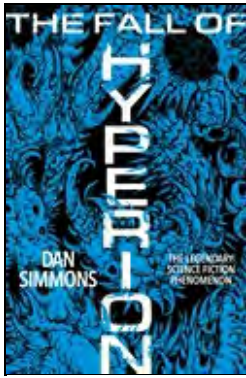
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## The Fall of Hyperion

### The second book in the Hyperion Cantos, the legendary science fiction classic

**Dan Simmons**

#### Keynote

The critically acclaimed and bestselling sequel to *Hyperion*, a remarkable epic by a master of science fiction.

#### Description

**The multiple-award-winning science fiction master continues the epic adventure that began in *Hyperion*, where the opening of the Time Tombs threatens to alter the very fabric of time and space, in the second novel in the ground breaking Hyperion Cantos.**

The mysterious Time Tombs are opening and the Shrike that has risen from them may well control the fate of all mankind. The Ousters are laying siege to the Hegemony of Man and the AIs we created have turned against us to build the Ultimate Intelligence; God. The God of Machines. His genesis could mean annihilation for man.

Something is drawing the Hegemony, the Ousters, the AIs, the entire universe to the Shrike.

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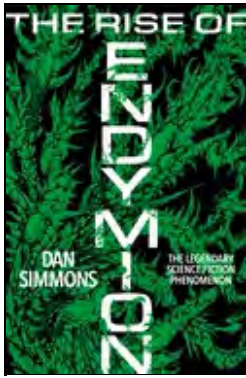
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## The Rise of Endymion

The fourth book in the Hyperion Cantos, the legendary science fiction classic

Dan Simmons

### Keynote

The conclusion to the groundbreaking Hyperion Cantos, a masterwork of science fiction from a multi-award winning genre legend.

### Description

**Multiple-award-winning science fiction master Dan Simmons concludes the renowned Hyperion Cantos with this magnificent 'full-blooded action novel' (New York Times).**

The time of reckoning has arrived. As a final genocidal Crusade threatens to enslave humanity forever, a new messiah has come of age. She is Aenea and she has undergone a strange apprenticeship to those known as the Others. Now her protector, Raul Endymion, one-time shepherd and convicted murderer, must help her deliver her startling message to her growing army of disciples.

But first they must embark on a final spectacular mission to discover the underlying meaning of the universe itself. They have been followed on their journey by the mysterious Shrike - monster, angel, killing machine - who is about to reveal the long-held secret of its origin and purpose. And on the planet of Hyperion, where the story first began, the final revelation will be delivered - an apocalyptic message that unlocks the secrets of existence and the fate of humankind in the galaxy.

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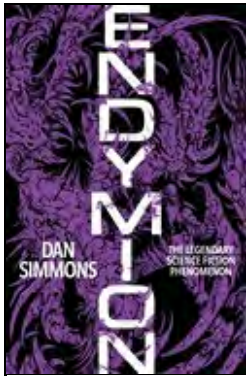
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## Endymion

### The third book in the Hyperion Cantos, the legendary science fiction classic

**Dan Simmons**

#### Keynote

**Part three of the groundbreaking Hyperion Cantos, the series that made Dan Simmons a modern master of science fiction.**

#### Description

**Endymion is a story about love and memory, triumph and terror - and the third book of one of the science fiction's greatest sagas, the Hyperion Cantos, introducing new characters who bear the fate of time itself in their hands.**

Two hundred and seventy-four years after the fall of the WorldWeb in *Fall of Hyperion*, Raul Endymion is sent on a quest. Retrieving Aenea from the Sphinx before the Church troops reach her is only the beginning. With help from a blue-skinned android named A. Bettik, Raul and Aenea travel the river Tethys, pursued by Father Captain Federico de Soya, an influential warrior-priest and his troops. And the Shrike is far from gone. It will reappear on their journey, as Raul's quest raises as many questions as it provides answers.

#### Readers love *Hyperion*, where the story first began:

**'One of the best epic, old mythology, and literature inspired, mindblowing, amazingly ingeniously written space operas'** Goodreads reviewer, &#11088; &#11088; &#11088; &#11088; &#11088;

'The scope of imagination, wordplay, and critical analysis of humankind is astounding . . . this is **a story-driven narrative**, and the stories that we're given are well worth the entry into **a brave, new, unfamiliar world'** Goodreads reviewer, &#11088; &#11088; &#11088; &#11088; &#11088;

'*Hyperion* has that **indescribable, almost Lovecraftian terror**, dread and brooding present throughout' Goodreads reviewer, &#11088; &#11088; &#11088; &#11088; &#11088;

**'Combine the artful poetry of John Keats with a science fiction retelling of the Canterbury Tales . . . what you have is *Hyperion*. A masterpiece of literature'** Goodreads reviewer, &#11088; &#11088; &#11088; &#11088; &#11088;

**'A science fiction classic . . . If you count yourself a SF fan you need to read this. If you just want to read a damn good book this is also for you'** Goodreads reviewer, &#11088; &#11088; &#11088; &#11088; &#11088;

#### Sales Points

- **PRESTIGE AND SALES:** *Hyperion*, the first book in the groundbreaking Hyperion Cantos by legendary genre writer Dan Simmons, is a Hugo Award winner, a perennial bestseller, and is known as the book that reinvented space opera.
- **SF/LITERARY BLEND:** The Hyperion Cantos is an unique blend of epic SF adventure and literary fiction.
- **NEW COVER LOOK:** This edition has a smart and classy new cover look to appeal to both the core genre and SF curious new readers.

#### Reviews

- 'Truly astonishing' - *Iain M. Banks*
- 'Unfailingly inventive . . . bears comparison with *Foundation* and *Dune*' - *New York Times*
- 'Matches and perhaps even surpasses Isaac Asimov and James Blish' - *Washington Post*
- 'An essential part of any science fiction collection' - *Booklist*

#### Author Biography

**Dan Simmons** (1948-2026) was born in Illinois in 1948 and grew up in various cities and small towns in the Midwest. He received a BA in English from Wabash College in 1970, winning a national Phi Beta Kappa Award during his senior year for excellence in fiction, journalism and art. His first published story appeared on the day his daughter was born, in 1982, and he always attributed that coincidence to 'helping in keeping things in perspective when it comes to the relative importance of writing and life'. He became a full-time writer in 1987 and was one of the few novelists whose work spanned the genres of fantasy, science fiction, horror, suspense, historical fiction, noir crime fiction and mainstream literary fiction. Dan





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## People Like Us

**Jason Mott**

### Keynote

**The riveting new novel by the author of the 2021 National Book Award winner and bestseller *Hell of a Book***

### Description

*People Like Us* is Jason Mott's electric new novel. It is not memoir, yet it has deeply personal connections to Jason's life. And while rooted in reality, it explodes with dreamlike experiences that pull a reader in and don't let go, from the ability to time travel to sightings of sea monsters and peacocks, and feelings of love and memory so real they hurt.

In *People Like Us*, two Black writers are trying to find peace and belonging in a world that is riven with gun violence. One is on a global book tour after a big prize win; the other is set to give a speech at a school that has suffered a shooting. And as their two storylines merge, truths and antics abound in equal measure: characters drink booze out of an award trophy; menaces lurk in the shadows; tiny French cars putter around the countryside; handguns seem to hover in the air; and dreams endure against all odds.

*People Like Us* is wickedly funny and achingly sad all at once. It is an utter triumph bursting with larger-than-life characters who deliver a very real take on our world. This book contains characters experiencing deep loss and longing; it also is buoyed by riotous humor and characters who share the deepest love. It is the newest creation of a writer whose work amazes, delivering something utterly new yet instantly recognizable as a Jason Mott novel.

Finishing the novel will leave you absolutely breathless and, at the same time, utterly filled with joy for life, changed forever by characters who are people like us.

### Sales Points

- **AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR:** *Hell of a Book* won the National Book Award and the Sir Walter Raleigh Award for Fiction, was a finalist for the Joyce Carol Oates Literary Prize, was shortlisted for the Aspen Words Literary Prize, and was longlisted for the Carnegie Medal, among other prize recognitions it has received
- **COMMERCIAL ATTENTION:** *Hell of a Book* was a A Read With Jenna *Today Show* Book Club Pick and an *Ebony Magazine Publishing Book Club* Pick. Mott's writing gets top literary and commercial recognition
- **BELOVED CHARACTERS:** Readers will love returning to characters Soot and The Author from *Hell of a Book*, and seeing new, surprising sides to them

### Author Biography

Jason Mott has published four novels. His first novel, *The Returned*, was a New York Times bestseller and was turned into a TV series that ran for two seasons. He has a BFA in fiction and an MFA in poetry, both from the University of North Carolina at Wilmington. His poetry and fiction have appeared in various literary journals, and his most recent novel, *Hell of a Book*, was named the winner of the National Book Award for Fiction in 2021.

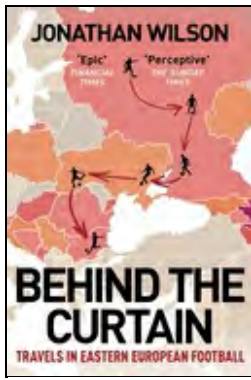
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Author living in **London**

#### Previous Titles

Behind the Curtain (2006; 2026)  
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Inverting the Pyramid (2008; 2014; 2018; 2023)  
The Anatomy of England (2010)  
Brian Clough (2011; 2024)  
The Outsider (2012)  
The Anatomy of Liverpool (2013)  
Angels With Dirty Faces (2016; 2023)  
The Anatomy of Manchester United (2017)  
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The Names Heard Long Ago (2019)  
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## Behind the Curtain Travels in Eastern European football

Jonathan Wilson

#### Keynote

The fascinating story of football in Eastern Europe following the collapse of the Berlin Wall, from the award-winning author of *Inverting the Pyramid*

#### Description

'EPIC' *Financial Times*  
'PERCEPTIVE' *The Sunday Times*  
'BLISSFUL' *Daily Telegraph*  
'FASCINATING' *Independent on Sunday*  
'TERRIFIC' *Henry Winter*  
'EXCELLENT' *Simon Kuper*

**The fascinating story of football in Eastern Europe following the collapse of the Berlin Wall, from the award-winning author of *Inverting the Pyramid***

From the war-ravaged streets of Sarajevo, where turning up for training involved dodging snipers' bullets, to the crumbling splendour of Budapest's Bozsik Stadium, where the likes of Puskás and Kocsis masterminded the fall of England, the landscape of Eastern Europe has changed immeasurably since the collapse of communism. Jonathan Wilson has travelled extensively behind the old Iron Curtain, viewing life beyond the fall of the Berlin Wall through the lens of football.

Where once the state-controlled teams of the Eastern bloc passed their way with crisp efficiency - a sort of communist version of total football - to considerable success on the European and international stages, today the beautiful game in the East has been opened up to the free market, and throughout the region a sense of chaos pervades. The threat of totalitarian interference no longer remains; but in its place mafia control is generally accompanied with a crippling lack of funds.

Jonathan Wilson goes in search of the spirit of Hungary's 'Golden Squad', charts the disintegration of the footballing superpower Yugoslavia, follows a sorry tale of corruption, mismanagement and Armenian cognac through the Caucasuses, reopens the case of Russia's greatest footballer, Eduard Streltsov, and talks to Jan Tomaszewski about an autumn night at Wembley in 1973...

**BEHIND THE CURTAIN is the definitive story of football in Eastern Europe.**

#### Sales Points

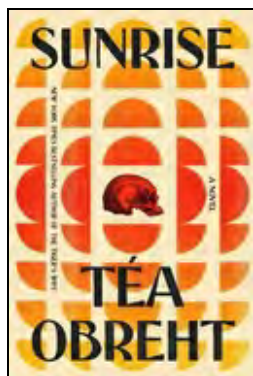
- **MODERN CLASSIC:** Behind the Curtain is viewed as a modern classic of football writing by critics and readers alike, comfortably sits alongside the likes of FOOTBALL AGAINST THE ENEMY or BRILLIANT ORANGE and selling over 25k copies across all formats.
- **AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR:** Winner of the British Sports Book Awards, Winner of the National Sporting Club Book of the Year and shortlisted for the William Hill Sports Book of the Year, Jonathan Wilson has a reputation for unbeaten football analysis and reportage.
- **GREAT SOCIAL PLATFORM:** Jonathan has over 155,000 followers on Twitter and is one of the foremost football writers in the UK today. He regularly tweets and promotes his books.

#### Reviews

- 'Epic... Wilson writes captivantly with humour... anyone with an interest in eastern European sport will be consulting this book for years to come' - *FINANCIAL TIMES*
- 'A blissful book, lovingly and stylishly written' - *DAILY TELEGRAPH*
- 'With style and erudition, [Wilson] proves that football is a metaphor, an allegory, and much more than just a game' - *THE TIMES*
- 'There's everything you needed to know about football and plenty that you didn't... wittily observed travel writing.' - *WHEN SATURDAY COMES*

#### Author Biography

Jonathan Wilson is a columnist for the *Guardian* and the founder and editor of *The Blizzard*. *Inverting the Pyramid: The History of Football Tactics* was Football Book of the Year in 2009 and was shortlisted for the William Hill Sports Book of the Year award. Seven of his other books have been shortlisted for football book of the year and he has also won the Premio Antonio Ghirelli in Italy. *Angels with Dirty Faces* did the double of football book and history book of the year at the Polish Sports Book Awards in 2018. He is also the co-presenter of the football history podcast *It Was What It Was* and *Libero*.



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 Author living in **Wyoming, USA**  
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**Previous Titles**

*The Tiger's Wife* (2011); *Inland* (2019);  
*The Morningside* (2024)

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**Sunrise**  
**Téa Obreht**

**Keynote**

**From the author of international sensation *The Tiger's Wife* comes an explosive novel about a mysterious town called Sunrise where the secrets of the past refuse to stay buried**

**Description**

**Three lives, 100 years, one forgotten town.**

In 2024, Nina's small aircraft crashes into a lake in the Wyoming mountains. Lost, freezing and alone on the shore, Nina stumbles upon Sunrise - an abandoned frontier town that is strangely well-maintained.

In 2003, Sunrise's golden boy Coll is about to start rehearsals for the town's annual historical reenactment when he is linked with a scandalous incident at a local bar. And when an author comes to him with questions about one of Sunrise's most beloved figures, Coll is forced to reassess everything he thought he knew about the city - and himself.

In 1902, town founder, gunslinger and adventure-novel hero Anton Vargas returns to Sunrise and helps the search for a missing boy. But who really is Vargas? What does he know about the boy's disappearance? And why has he returned after so many years away?

These three are strangers, separated by time. But Sunrise has secrets which lie in waiting like gunpowder: quiet, until they encounter a spark. From the bestselling author of *The Tiger's Wife* comes an explosive novel that challenges the myths we think we know: of heroes and villains, of the places we lay claim to, and most of all, of our own lives.

**Sales Points**

- **STAR AUTHOR:** Téa Obreht is one of the most brilliant (*Sunday Times*), astonishing (*New York Times*), prodigious (*Guardian*), formidable (*Financial Times*), extraordinary (*Vogue*) writers of her generation
- **NAMED A MOST ANTICIPATED BOOK OF THE YEAR:** by *Esquire*, *Literary Hub* and *Today*
- **MAGICAL STORYTELLING:** A mysterious novel about three lives, one town and a century of change - this is a big, ambitious novel, imbued with all the joys of storytelling
- **PRIZEWINNER:** Téa Obreht has won the Orange Prize for Fiction (now the Women's Prize), and been shortlisted for the National Book Award, the Climate Fiction Prize and the Dylan Thomas Prize

**Reviews**

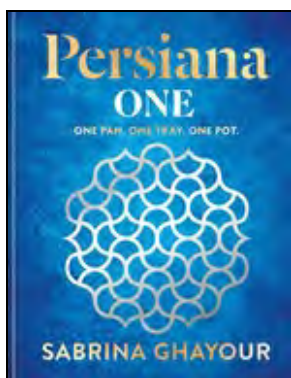
- 'A tremendously talented writer' - Ann Patchett, on Téa Obreht
- 'A novelist of great skill and warmth' - Guardian, on Téa Obreht
- 'A natural born storyteller' - Daily Telegraph, on Téa Obreht
- 'Téa Obreht never disappoints' - Esquire, on Téa Obreht

**Author Biography**

Téa Obreht is the internationally bestselling author of *The Tiger's Wife*, which won the 2011 Orange Prize for Fiction and was a finalist for the National Book Award. Her second novel, *Inland*, was an instant bestseller, won the Southwest Book Award and was a finalist for the Dylan Thomas Prize. Her most recent novel, *The Morningside*, was shortlisted for the inaugural Climate fiction prize. Her work has appeared in the *Best American Short Stories*, the *New Yorker*, the *Atlantic* and *Harper's*, among many other publications. Originally from the former Yugoslavia, Obreht now lives in Wyoming.

**Market**

For fans of Colins Barrett's *Wild Horses*, Sarah Perry's *Melmoth* and Anna North's *Outlawed*, and readers of Cormac McCarthy, David Mitchell, Mohsin Hamid and Zadie Smith



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Extent	<b>240 pages</b>
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Illustrations	<b>100 photographs</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>UK; World</b>
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Author living in	<b>London and Yorkshire</b>

#### Previous Titles

*Persiana*  
*Sirocco*  
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## Persiana One

### ALL NEW delicious recipes to make in one pan, one tray or one pot

**Sabrina Ghayour**

#### Keynote

**A brand new collection of inspiring recipes in Sabrina Ghayour's bestselling series - to make in one pot, one tray or one pan.**

#### Description

From the Queen of Middle Eastern cookery, every recipe in *Persiana One* makes irresistible Middle Eastern flavours easier than ever in one pot, one tray or one pan.

From dips and bits that make snacking sublime to spectacular salads, and from easy everyday dinners to something a little bit more special, these are recipes designed with clever shortcuts that don't compromise on flavour, to be as simple, and as kit free as possible.

With over 100 recipes, each accompanied by a photograph, this is a sumptuous gift for every cookery lover - who hates washing up!

#### CONTENTS INCLUDE:

Really Useful Staples including spectacular spice mixes, butter bombs, and perfect pasta sauces

Dips & Bits such as Garlic & Geta Yogurt Dip; Popcorn Aubergine; Curried Baby Corn & Spring Onion Beignets

Spectacular Salads: such as Spiced Pear & Feta Salad with Watercress, Chicory & Pomegranates; Tangy Ottoman Orzo Salad; Gingery Apple, Lentil & Cranberry Rice Salad

Easy Everyday: such as Creamy Cod & Herby Orzo with Green Beans; Spiced Pork & Pepper Traybake; Halloumi, Coconut & Black Bean Stew

A Little Bit Longer: such as Mango Lime & Chilli Chicken; Pomegranate Beef Ribs; Saffron & Pepper Vermicelli with Koftas

Traybakes: such as Chicken & Potato Traybake with Za'atar & Lemon; Roasted Sweet Potatoes with Yogurt, Harissa & Chives; Roasted Aubergine with Harissa Tomato Sauce & Mozzarella

Something Special: such as Nihari-style Lamb Shanks; Sticky Tamarind & Chilli Roasted Salmon; Afghani Qorma Kofta

Vegetables and Sides: such as Green Beans with Tomato & Garlic; Sesame, Garlic & Tahini Spinach; Sweet & Spicy Tamarind Broccoli

Sweet Treats: such as Salted Peanut Baklava Roll; Dark Chocolate, Earl Grey, Orange Cake; Orange & Pistachio Cream Cheese Danishes

#### Praise for Sabrina Ghayour:

'Sabrina Ghayour's Middle-Eastern plus food is all flavour, no fuss - and makes me very, very happy' - Nigella Lawson

'I don't think she could write a dull recipe if she tried. Every one an elegantly spiced delight.' - Tom Parker Bowles

'The golden girl of Persian cookery' - *Observer*

'Chef Sabrina Ghayour's new recipes deliver maximum flavour with the greatest of ease - perfect for busy lives' - *Sainsbury's Magazine*

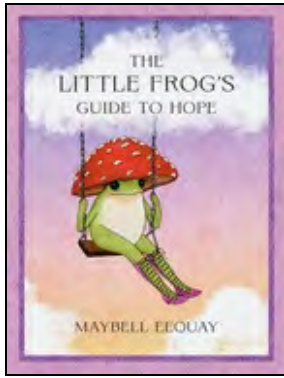
#### Sales Points

- Sabrina Ghayour's books have sold more than 800,000 copies via TCM and 1.4 million copies globally.
- This book follows on from the runaway success of *Persiana Easy*, which was a five-weeks Sunday Times bestseller selling over 20,000 copies TCM since August 2025.
- Sabrina Ghayour is much loved by food media and cookbook fans alike. Her substantial platform includes a highly engaged following of more than 180k followers across her social media channels and she has secured high-profile brand promotions and on packet promotion with Odyssey and Merchant Gourmet.
- The One Pot concept is bang on trend. 'One-pot' cookbooks have increased by 32% compared with 2024 YTD.

#### Author Biography

Sabrina Ghayour is an Iranian, self-taught home cook turned chef, cookery teacher and food writer. She made her name hosting the hugely popular 'Sabrina's Kitchen' supper club in London, specializing in Persian and Middle Eastern flavours, and went on to be named the *Observer's* Rising Star in Food. Her award-winning debut, *Persiana*, is a worldwide bestseller, and her follow-ups *Sirocco*, *Feasts*, *Bazaar*, *Simply* and *Persiana Everyday* were *Sunday Times* bestsellers. Her most recent book *Flavour* is out now.

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## The Little Frog's Guide to Hope Love, Wisdom and Affirmations for Tough Days from the Internet's Beloved Mushroom Frog

**Maybell Eequay**

### Description

**The Little Frog returns once more! Discover love, wisdom and beautiful affirmations for keeping hope in your heart, as told by the internet's beloved mushroom frog**

On life's hardest days we all need a friend to lean on. Let the Little Frog be your light in darker times with this guide to hope. Filled with tender advice and soothing affirmations to uplift your spirit, this gentle volume is a hug in a book that will bring you comfort when times are tough.

Created by the Minnesota-based artist Maybell Eequay, this book is the perfect compassionate gift for yourself or others. Inside you will find:

- Over 40 hand-drawn illustrations of the Little Frog
- Thoughtful affirmations to help you find solace and resilience when life is challenging
- Uplifting reminders that, in a tough world, it's brave to hold on to the parts of you that are soft, and that somehow, someday, everything will be okay

This little book is a balm for the soul and will help you kindle self-love and hope when you need it most.

### Sales Points

- This book is a follow-up to the successful title *The Little Frog's Guide to Self-Care* (ISBN: 9781837991013) which has sold over 250,000 copies and rights in 18 languages.
- This new title is the third in the series and focuses on hope and resilience, offering comfort to readers on difficult days.
- It contains more than 40 new, bespoke illustrations of the Little Frog, and a new raft of gentle affirmations and pearls of wisdom.
- The Little Frog's messages of self-love, self-compassion and emotional well-being are topics that continue to be prevalent in the media and resonate with people around the globe.
- Similar Summersdale titles include: *The Little Frog's Guide to Self-Care Card Deck* (ISBN: 9781837995196); *The Little Frog's Guide to Life* (ISBN: 9781837994731); *The Little Frog Colouring Book* (ISBN: 9781837999101); *The Little Frog Journal* (ISBN: 9781837996933); *The Little Frog Notebook* (ISBN: 9781837997367).

### Author Biography

**Maybell Eequay** is an Minnesota-based artist who works in many different mediums. Born and raised in the breathtaking St. Croix River Valley, Maybell draws a lot of inspiration from her childhood homelife as well as her love of vintage children's books and knickknacks. Growing up in a creative household and the daughter of two artists, Maybell has been making art since she was old enough to hold a pen. Today, she enjoys making art that has a vaguely nostalgic feel paired with tender messages and light humour.

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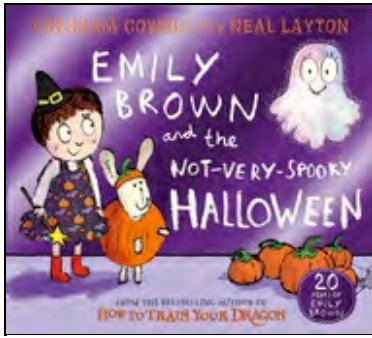
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Author born in	<b>London</b>
Author living in	<b>W6, London</b>

#### Previous Titles

Author and Illustrator: That Rabbit Belongs To Emily Brown, Emily Brown and the Thing, Emily Brown and the Elephant Emergency

Author: Little Bo Peep's Library Book, How to be a Viking, How To Train Your Dragon series

Illustrator: Danny McGee Drinks the Sea, The Story of Everything, The Story Of Things, The Story of Stars, Stanley's Stick, Oscar and Arabella, Oscar and Arabella Hot Hot Hot, Friends for a Day, Oscar and Arabella and Ormsby, Mammoth Academy

## Emily Brown and the Not-Very-Spooky Halloween

### Cressida Cowell (Illustrated By Neal Layton)

#### Keynote

By the bestselling author of the *How to Train Your Dragon* series comes a brand new, delightfully spooky Emily Brown picture book.

#### Description

**Emily Brown and her side-kick rabbit, Stanley, are back!**

Halloween has arrived! Emily Brown and Stanley are trying on their costumes when they hear a teeny-tiny "BOO!" from the cupboard under the sink . . . It's a ghost! And not just any ghost: the sweetest one they've ever seen.

But this sweet little ghostie is sad that he's Not-Very-Spooky, and he seems to be more frightened than frightening. Can Emily and Stanley help him to be brave and discover his spook?

'Will both delight fans, and give them something to reflect on. Layton's illustrations are a joy, matching the text perfectly.' - Bookseller

Written by Cressida Cowell, the bestselling author of the *How to Train Your Dragon* series. <http://www.cressidacowell.co.uk/>

Illustrated by award winning Neal Layton, creator of Stanley's Stick and illustrator of Danny McGee Drinks The Sea, shortlisted for the 2017 Laugh Out Loud Picture Book Award. <http://www.neallayton.co.uk/>

#### Sales Points

- Written by Cressida Cowell, the bestselling author of the *How to Train Your Dragon* series. Illustrated by award winning Neal Layton, creator of *Stanley's Stick*.
- New, fifth title in the bestselling Emily Brown series
- Classic storytelling with fun, adventure, humour - and a poignant message about making your own happiness - that will strike a chord with children and parents alike

#### Reviews

- 'A great story... from one of our best-loved author/illustrator combinations.' - *Angels & Urchins*
- 'Shows the joys of children using their imaginations ... the illustrations work perfectly with the story.' - *Bookbag*
- 'Lovely.' - *School Librarian*
- 'A visually sumptuous read, blending illustrations with graphics and photography for a textured feel.' - *Junior*

#### Author Biography

##### Cressida Cowell (Author)

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

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

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

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

##### Neal Layton (Illustrator)

Neal is an award-winning illustrator and author of children's books. He has worked on more than 80 titles to date, working with authors such Cressida Cowell and Michael Rosen, and won several prizes including a Gold Award in the Nestle Children's Book Prize for *That Rabbit Belongs to Emily Brown*. His books have also been shortlisted for the Red House Book Awards, the Blue Peter Book Awards, the Booktrust Early Years Award,



Funfzig Jahre Deutcher Jugendliteraturpreis and New York Public Library's annual list of Best Children's Books. He also writes his own books, such as eco-picture book *A Planet Full of Plastic* and 'The Invincible Tony Spears' fiction series. His books are currently in print in more than 16 languages worldwide. He lives in Portsmouth with his wife and two daughters.

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Tie In	<b>Non Tie-in</b>

Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
Format	<b>B Format</b>
Extent	<b>160 pages</b>
Word Count	
Series	<b>Alan, King of the Universe</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>UK; World (ex USA, Can)</b>
Not for Sale	<b>Can; USA</b>

Author living in	<b>Exeter, Devon</b>
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## Alan, King of the Universe: Today, I Will Rule All! Book 2

**Tom McLaughlin**

### Keynote

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

### Description

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

Join Alan and Fido on more hilarious adventures as they try to take over the universe - as long as they're home in time for tea, of course.

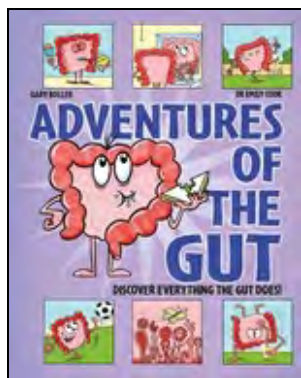
*This two-colour graphic novel series for 7+ readers will have kids and their grown-ups rolling around the floor with laughter. Suitable for newly independent readers.*

### Sales Points

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

### Author Biography

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



## Adventures of the Gut

Dr Emily Cook (Illustrated By Gary Boller)

### Keynote

Entertaining insight into the complex topic of the digestive system through a series of gut character comic strips

### Description

In *Adventures of the Gut* discover what happens when you eat - from the moment food touches your tongue to its epic journey through your body. Find out what organs make up the digestive system, the importance of eating healthily and the garden in your gut.

Each book in this series focuses on a certain part of the human body, using the body part as an approachable cartoon character in a series of relatable everyday situations. This blending of simple scientific explanation with cartoon artwork makes the science highly accessible. Comic strips are interspersed with explanation spreads to consolidate the learning, too. Perfect for readers age 8+ or anyone wanting their first book about the digestive system!

Books in the series:

*Adventures of the Lungs*  
*Adventures of the Heart*  
*Adventures of the Gut*  
*Adventures of the Skeleton*

Don't miss the incredible *Adventures of the Brain* series, and discover how the brain thinks, feels and works with the rest of the body.

### Sales Points

- Full of inventive ways to make difficult concepts easy to understand, plenty of visual guides and humour!
- Comic illustrations from former Beano cartoonist Gary Boller
- Clear links to the KS2 Science Curriculum (Understanding Humans and other Animals)

### Author Biography

#### Emily Cook (Author)

**Dr Emily Cook** is a Consultant Colorectal Surgeon at the Royal Hampshire County Hospital, Winchester, UK. She lives in Hampshire with her husband and three young children.

#### Gary Boller (Illustrator)

Gary lives in Hampshire, UK, with his wife and two children, one chihuahua and four cats. He trained as a graphic designer gaining an HND but also did a few years in advertising in London. He always doodled as a kid, even on his parents walls and loved the comics of the day, *The Beano* and *Dandy*. He has since go on to work on many books and comics, including the famous ones mentioned above.

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Format	<b>265x210</b>
Depth	<b>14mm</b>
Extent	<b>32 pages</b>
Word Count	
Series	<b>Adventures of the Human Body</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>UK; World (ex USA, Can)</b>
Not for Sale	<b>Can; USA</b>

### Previous Titles

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CBMC	<b>D5N79</b>
Age	<b>9-11 years</b>
Subject	<b>Non-fiction</b>
Type	<b>Ordinary Printed Book Format</b>
Character Tie In	<b>Non-character Non Tie-in</b>
Binding Format	<b>Paperback 295x240</b>
Depth	<b>14mm</b>
Extent	<b>48 pages</b>
Word Count	
Series	<b>History of...</b>
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## The Delicious History of Food

### Clive Gifford (Illustrated By Andressa Meissner)

#### Keynote

A tasty exploration of foods around the world, from famous dishes in the past to modern cuisine

#### Description

Baked, dipped or fried, spicy, salty or sweet, delicious food is something everyone enjoys. Many tasty dishes are the result of thousands of years of development, scientific breakthroughs or moments of genius or sheer chance. This high-interest book takes you through the delicious and sometimes surprising history of what people eat.

Covers topics such as healthy eating, genetic modification, farming, celebrations and inventions.

The consultant is a food historian, writer, tv presenter and podcaster.

Contents: *Vital For Life; Hunting and Gathering; Settling Down; Food Takes a Trip; What's In Your Meal?; Taming Nature; Rice is Nice; Spicing It Up; A Sweet Story; The Columbian Exchange; Chocolate; Where Do They Come From?; Food Celebrations; Accidental Inventions; Frozen In A Flash; Food Visionaries; Processed Foods; Food In Space; Going Meat Free; Feeding More People; Future Food*

#### Sales Points

- Supports the UK's science curriculum and food technology curriculum for key stage two and three
- The consultant is a food historian, writer, tv presenter and podcaster
- Clive Gifford is an award-winning author of more than 200 books for children and young adults

#### Author Biography

##### Clive Gifford (Author)

Clive Gifford is the author of more than 150 children's books including *Eye Benders*, winner of the Royal Society Young People's Book Prize, Royal Society-nominated *Out of This World* and *Cool Technology* which won the School Library Association Information Book Award. His book, *The Colours of History*, won the Blue Peter Book Awards' Best Book With Facts. He has travelled through 70 countries, run a computer games company and taken part in all manner of sports from parachuting and gliding to Ultimate Frisbee. Clive's official website can be found at [www.clivegifford.co.uk](http://www.clivegifford.co.uk)

##### Andressa Meissner (Illustrator)

Andressa Meissner is a Brazilian illustrator with a bold, colourful and attention-grabbing style, which also feels light and natural with hints of tropical flavour.

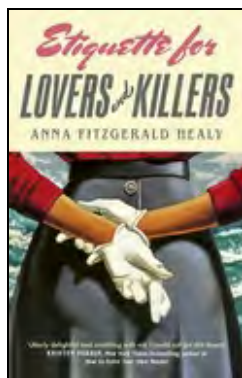
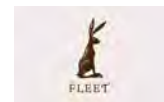
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Author living in	<b>Los Angeles, United States</b>
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## Etiquette for Lovers and Killers 'Utterly delightful and crackling with wit, I could not put this down!' (Kristen Perrin)

**Anna Fitzgerald Healy**

### Keynote

**An escapist read for fans of Agatha Christie, Nancy Drew, Bonnie Garmus and cosy crime: introducing a spirited young heroine, sleuthing her way through the 1960s.**

### Description

**'Alluring and impressive . . . a powerful new voice to the genre'** ELLE COSIMANO, *New York Times* bestselling author of *FINLAY DONOVAN IS KILLING IT*

**'Billie McCadie is Nancy Drew, if Nancy had been raised by Emily Post and Dorothy Parker'** JULIA SEALES, bestselling author of *A MOST AGREEABLE MURDER*

**'Delightful . . . a nostalgic treat wrapped in the briny ocean breezes of Maine'** *NEW YORK REVIEW OF BOOKS*

***What are the chances of receiving a love letter and an engagement ring for a perfect stranger, only to see that same woman murdered the very next day?***

It's 1964 in the tiny town of Eastport, Maine, and Billie McCadie is bored to death. She's surrounded by dull people with more manners than sense, and no sign of the intrigue or romance that fills her beloved novels. That is, until an engagement ring and cryptic love letter turn up, addressed to 'Gertrude'. Until she meets yacht-club handsome Avery Webster. Until the unsettling phone calls and visits from a man in a fedora begin. Until she's one of the last people to see Gertrude alive . . . and the first to see her dead.

What follows is an intoxicating cocktail of stalking, blackmail, Jell-O salads, and champagne secrets, all served along the rocky Maine coastline. Everyone is a suspect. Everyone has a secret. And (strangely) everyone has a boat. But who is willing to kiss and tell? As the body count rises and the danger nears, why does Billie feel like she's more than just a side character? And after yearning to be in the action for so long, would it be *terribly* unladylike to have some fun of her own?

**A love letter to uncivilized behaviour, *Etiquette for Lovers and Killers* blends mystery and romance into a twisty, murderous delight that aches for better manners.**

### Sales Points

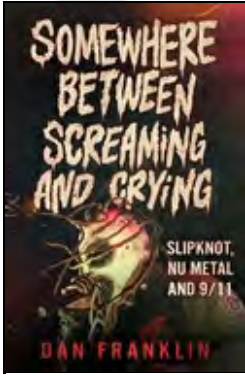
- **WELL REVIEWED:** The hardback was widely reviewed in the US, we'll work closely with Putnam, the US publisher, to amplify all activity around paperback
- **CORNER OF THE MARKET:** This is an upmarket literary caper, one that will appeal to readers of classic crime but also to those who love spirited heroines with a dash of romantic intrigue

### Reviews

- '[A] **fiercely witty** debut . . . The **sparkling dialogue, copious twists, and evocative details** of midcentury New England make this an **impressive** first effort' - *Publishers Weekly*
- 'Replete with Emily Post-style epigraphs about etiquette, this hybrid mystery/romance hearkens back to Austen's novels of refined drawing room intrigue while revealing, beneath smiles and witty banter, the underside of human nature. **A romantic suspense novel bubbling with wit and the ever-present thrill of danger**' - *Kirkus Reviews*
- '**Utterly delightful and crackling with wit, I could not put this down!** Think 1960s Gilmore Girls with a good dose of murder and a dash of romance. Billie McCadie is the kind of character you'll love spending time with, and the ups and downs her investigating murder in the upper echelons of Eastport Maine have **all the hallmarks of the perfect murder mystery: fantastic setting, characters with layers of secrets, and some fabulous twists and turns**' - Kristen Perrin, *New York Times* bestselling author of *HOW TO SOLVE YOUR OWN MURDER*
- '*Etiquette for Lovers and Killers* is **delightful** throughout. This debut novel excels with its imagery of the bygone 1960s era. The author accomplishes this brilliantly with a bit of humor and spot-on descriptions of places and characters . . . **charming** . . . [Healy] perfectly portrays the time period while also creating a wonderful sense of place . . . *Etiquette for Lovers and Killers* is **a nostalgic treat wrapped in the briny ocean breezes of Maine**' - Diane Lechleitner, *New York Review of Books*

### Author Biography

Anna Fitzgerald Healy's writing has been featured in *Dark Matter Magazine*, *Mystery Tribune*, the *Hoxie Gorge Review*, and several anthologies by Brigid's Gate Press. She



## Somewhere Between Screaming And Crying

### Dan Franklin

#### Keynote

A biography of Slipknot to coincide with the 25th Anniversary of their *Iowa* album...

#### Description

SOMEWHERE BETWEEN SCREAMING AND CRYING will land on the 25th anniversary of Slipknot's *Iowa* album and 9/11. For the first time, it will tell the story of this extraordinary No.1 album (which many consider their best) within its full context during this extraordinary period in history.

#### Sales Points

- For a band so successful, and so artistically and commercially consistent, this will be the first major book about Slipknot in 25 years, by someone who was on the ground as a teenage fan, and who, as a music writer, has since earned the trust of the band and its team.
- Dan is the lead feature writer for knotfest.com, and hopes to use its considerable platform (668k Instagram followers; 422k Facebook followers; 120k X followers), and its premium subscriber base, to market the book when the time comes.
- The band's management is aware that he's working on this project and will endorse.
- There has been a huge resurgence of interest in nu metal: Slipknot sold out two nights at the O2 Arena in 2024, Deftones sold out Crystal Palace park this past June, and System of a Down have announced a massive show next summer at the Tottenham Hotspur Stadium.

#### Author Biography

Dan Franklin is a heavy-music writer, and author of *Heavy: How Metal Changes the Way We See the World* (Constable/Little, Brown, 2020) and *Come My Fanatics: A Journey into the World of Electric Wizard* (White Rabbit/Orion, 2023). *Somewhere Between Screaming and Crying* will be the third instalment in this loose trilogy about heavy music.

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Extent	<b>320 pages</b>
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Illustrations	<b>8pp. Colour</b>
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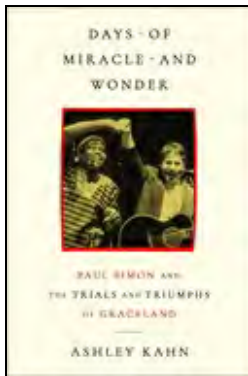
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 Extent **320 pages**  
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#### Previous Titles

*The Universal Tone* (co-writer)  
*Kind of Blue*  
*A Love Supreme*

## Days of Miracle and Wonder Paul Simon and the Trials and Triumphs of Graceland Ashley Kahn

### Keynote

The definitive story of the making and legacy of *Graceland*, drawn from extensive research and exclusive interviews from musicians, producers and journalists across Africa, the U.S. and Europe

### Description

The definitive story of the making and legacy of Paul Simon's *Graceland*

In 1984, Paul Simon was at a professional and personal crossroads. His marriage was failing, his career was in danger of declining and the music scene was shifting to a world of synths, drum machines and music videos. But a chance encounter with the sounds of South Africa created a spark, recalling the joy of the early rock and roll days and inspiring a bold new direction.

Simon travelled to Johannesburg in 1985 to record with South African musicians, a bold and risky step on a musical journey that would lead him to New York, Los Angeles, Louisiana and London, culminating in *Graceland*, a global phenomenon that won multiple Grammys, sold millions of records and helped redefine popular music.

*Days of Miracle and Wonder* is the first book to tell the full story, offering a richly detailed account of artistic collaboration, technical innovation and cultural exchange, alongside the controversies that the album raised and which remain today. It sheds light on a rare cultural moment when America opened its doors to global sounds and a masterpiece emerged from a complex and divided world.

### Sales Points

- **DEFINITIVE STORY:** This is the first book to detail the making of *Graceland* and uses deep research and exclusive interviews to bring a holistic perspective to the album
- **PAUL SIMON:** The artist has a career spanning over seven decades and is one of the greatest singer/song-writers living today. He is embarking on a 2026 world tour and remains relevant in the music and pop culture spheres.
- **BELOVED ALBUM:** *Graceland* is one of the greatest American albums to ever exist, winning Album of the Year at the Grammy's, selling over 16 million copies worldwide and a five-year long worldwide tour. In 2006 it was added to the US National Recording Registry as 'culturally, historically or aesthetically important'.
- **AUTHOR PROFILE:** Ashley Kahn is a music historian, journalist and producer. He was a member of the *Graceland* tour production team and is the author of critically acclaimed books that focus on the albums *Kind of Blue* by Miles Davis and *A Love Supreme* by John Coltrane.

### Author Biography

**Ashley Kahn** is a Grammy Award-winning music historian, author and producer. He cowrote Carlos Santana's autobiography *The Universal Tone*, and has written books on such legendary recordings as *Kind of Blue* by Miles Davis and *A Love Supreme* by John Coltrane. He was a member of the *Graceland* tour production team, and tour manager for Ladysmith Black Mambazo. He teaches at New York University's Clive Davis Institute for Recorded Music.

### Market

For fans of Paul Simon, rock, folk and Afropop music and readers of music literature. Authors such as Robert Hilburn, Peter Guralnick, Spencer Leigh and Bob Stanley.

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Thema 1.6	<b>Fiction: literary and general non-genre (FB) Relating to African American / Black American people (5PB-US-C)</b>
Binding	<b>Trade Paperback</b>
Format	<b>Royal</b>
Extent	<b>368 pages</b>
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	<b>Cw; Ire</b>
Not for Sale	<b>Can; UK; USA</b>

Author living in **New York City**

**Publishing History**  
HALSEY STREET

**Previous Titles**  
WHAT'S MINE AND YOURS

1st Serial	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
2nd Serial	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Audio	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
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Undramatised (straight) reading	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
US	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>

## Take What You Can

**Naima Coster**

### Keynote

A striking and beautifully touching new novel from the author of WHAT'S MINE AND YOURS, for fan of Kiley Reid's SUCH A FUN AGE.

### Description

'So brilliantly, unbelievably good I have a burning in my heart from gulping it down too fast' **Catherine Newman, New York Times bestselling author of Sandwich and Wreck**

Val and Milly fell in love with France at the same time they fell in love with each other, bonding as the only Black students on a study-abroad trip. Now, they are in their thirties, each married and with a baby girl on the way. And when Milly suggests Val move to New York to raise their daughters together after a decade apart, it's a resounding yes.

However, Val and Milly are no longer the girls they once were. Milly is a successful influencer married to restaurant royalty, and Val, is a brilliant journalist, struggling to write her first book and fit into her old friend's new world. The realities of class and social capital, of strained marriages and the demands of motherhood, serve as constant reminders of how far apart they've grown.

And no matter how much they try to avoid it, everything comes back to a rift that began all those years ago in France. What they've long tried to bury may finally destroy their sisterhood...

The deeply engrossing new novel about female friendships from Naima Coster, TAKE WHAT YOU CAN has been selected as one of **People's** Most Anticipated Books of 2026, **New York Times** Summer's Best Beach Reads and **Harper Bazaar's** Summer Book Picks.

<h2>PRAISE FOR NAIMA COSTER</h2>

"A magnificent book of emotional precision and startling insight, as awake to beauty and light as it is unafraid of the shadows, *Take What You Can* had me spellbound as I tore through it' **Megha Majumdar, National Book Award finalist for A Guardian and a Thief and bestselling author of A Burning**

'The kind of novel you'll be hungry to share with your own friends, debating who's right, who's wrong, and who could use a hug the most' **Dawnie Walton, Women's Prize longlisted author of The Final Revival of Opal and Nev**

### Sales Points

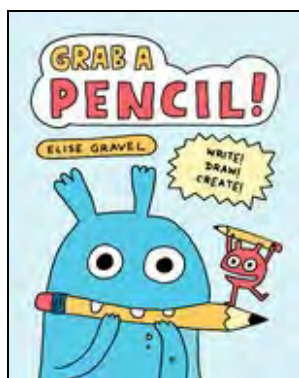
- **BREAK OUT MOMENT FOR CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED AUTHOR:** Naima Coster is a *New York Times* bestselling author and a recipient of the National Book Foundation's 5 Under 35 honor. Her new novel, *Take What You Can*, will be published by Viking in the US with a huge marketing and publicity campaign behind it. Her novel, *What's Mine and Yours*, was a Read with Jenna pick, longlisted for the Mark Twain American Voice in Literature Award, and named a best book of the year by *Kirkus Reviews*, *Esquire*, *Marie Claire*, *Ms. Magazine*, and more. Her first novel, *Halsey Street*, was a finalist for the Kirkus Prize and named a must-read by *People*, *Essence*, *Well-Read Black Girl*, *The Skimm*, and the Brooklyn Public Library. Naima's work has appeared in *The New York Times*, *Elle*, *Time*, *Kweli*, and *The Cut*, and in numerous anthologies. We have another very exciting book club selection for *Take What You Can* that hasn't yet been announced
- **BOOK CLUB POTENTIAL:** This novel has book club potential and taps into the cultural conversation regarding issues of race, social status and identity politics. Beautifully written, this empathetic novel is both relevant and accessible, with provocative themes that touch on both broader social issues and more intimate ones of friendship and love.
- **LEAD TITLE FOR VIKING:** Viking have ambitions for another NYT bestseller, and are launching with a widespread national PR and marketing campaign, pre-sell author tour, and have secured a selected of quotes from Catherine Newman, Megha Majumdar, Dawnie Walton and more.

### Author Biography

Naima Coster lives in Brooklyn. She has an MA in English from Fordham University and an MFA from Columbia University. Her work has been published in *The New York Times*, *Guernica* and *The Sunday Times*, among others. She was awarded the Brooklyn Non-Fiction Prize from the Brooklyn Film & Arts Festival for her personal essay "Remembering When Brooklyn Was Mine" in *The New York Times*. Her debut *Halsey Street* was a Finalist for the 2018 Kirkus Prize for Fiction and longlisted for the VCU Cabell First Novelist Award.

### Market

Culturally switched on readers 20-40, our key Trapeze demographic



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 Thema 1.6 **Children's interactive and activity: drawing, colouring and painting (YBGC) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) Interest age: from c 6 years (5AG)**

CBMC **B5L79**  
 Age **5-7 years**  
 Subject **Non-fiction**  
 Type **Activity Book**  
 Character **Non-character**  
 Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Paperback**  
 Format **289x210**  
 Extent **96 pages**  
 Word Count  
 Exclusively for Sale **World (ex USA, Can)**  
 Not for Sale **Can; Carib; S Am; USA**

## Grab a Pencil! Write, Draw, Create

Elise Gravel

### Keynote

**From doodles to masterpieces, anything goes in this celebration of artistic fun!**

### Description

**From doodles to masterpieces, anything goes in this celebration of artistic fun!**

Celebrated author and illustrator Elise Gravel invites all budding creatives to use humorous story-starters and picture prompts to create their own masterpieces. Whether it's sketching an all-original zany monster, creating a comic strip or scripting a conversation between two insects, kids of all ages will love letting their creative flag fly. All it takes is a pencil!

Elise's unique sense of humour shines through in prompts that reinforce it's okay not to be perfect - the important part is having fun!

### Sales Points

- A wonderful companion to Elise Gravel's picture books
- Perfect for long car rides, rainy days, sleepovers and school break fun
- Encourages use of fine motor skills in young children
- Offers fun prompts to spark imagination and creativity!

### Author Biography

**Elise Gravel** is a writer and illustrator from Montreal, Quebec, Canada. She studied graphic design before becoming an illustrator and has published in both English and in French. In 2012, she won a Governor General's Award for Children's Illustration for her book *La clé à molette*. Elise has written more than thirty books and her work has been translated into over 12 languages. She is married with two daughters.

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## Harry Potter Sweets and Treats Cookbook From chocolate frogs to golden snitch cupcakes, 60 delicious recipes inspired by the Harry Potter films

Veronica Hinke and Kim Laidlaw

### Keynote

Recreate the most magical sweets from the Wizarding World with 60 sweet treats and baked good recipes inspired by the Harry Potter films.

### Description

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to make your own Chocolate Frog? Satisfy your sweet tooth with sumptuous delights straight out of Honeydukes? This collection of 60 mouth-watering confections brings the magic of Harry Potter straight to your kitchen. With step-by-step instructions, handy tips and stunning photography, the *Harry Potter Sweets and Treats Cookbook* will have you making the Golden Trio's favourite desserts from the comfort of your own home in no time.

Whether you are celebrating a special occasion or just indulging your sweet tooth, these recipes have been crafted to bring a dusting of magic - and sugar - to your everyday moments.

### Sales Points

- This cookbook continues the series of Harry Potter cookbooks, preceded by *Christmas, Afternoon Tea* and *Wizarding World*
- The Oscar-nominated Harry Potter films are one of the highest grossing film franchises, earning over \$7bn worldwide

Publication date **Thursday, August 27, 2026**  
Price **£22.00 / ₹1899**  
Main Identifier **9781529450620**  
Thema 1.6 **TV / Celebrity chef / eateries cookbooks (WBB) Cooking for parties and special occasions (WBR) Films, cinema (ATF)**

Binding **Hardback**  
Format **254mm x 203mm**  
Extent **160 pages**  
Word Count **25728 words**  
Illustrations **Photographs and other design elements (in line with other books in the series)**  
Series **Official Harry Potter Cookbooks**  
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Thema 1.6	<b>American style / tradition comic books (XAK) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-A CJ) Interest age: from c 9 years (5AK)</b>

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

Binding	<b>Hardback</b>
Format	<b>260x170</b>
Extent	<b>144 pages</b>
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	<b>UK; World (ex USA, Can)</b>
Not for Sale	<b>Can; USA</b>

**Previous Titles**

Illegal  
Global

**War**

**Eoin Colfer and Andrew Donkin (Illustrated By Giovanni Rigano)**

**Keynote**

**From the bestselling creators of *Illegal* and *Global* comes a timely and thoughtful graphic novel about war.**

**Description**

**A timely and thoughtful graphic novel about war, with glorious colour artwork throughout for children of all ages - from Eoin Colfer, previously Irish Children's Laureate, and the team behind *Illegal*, *Global*, and the bestselling *Artemis Fowl* graphic novels.**

WAR is set in an unnamed city in an unnamed country. It tells the story of Kat, a fourteen-year-old graffiti artist who finds her life turned upside down when her home city is invaded. When her father is taken and held without charge by the invading forces, Kat chooses not to flee with her mother and little sister, instead sneaking off to remain in the city and try to rescue her dad. Also featured is Adam, a young conscript who struggles to understand why he is being made to fight.

With additional content that puts the main story into a wider context - including illustrated comic-style interviews with refugees.

**Sales Points**

- A timely and topical graphic novel about the impact of war.
- From the creative team behind *Illegal*, *Global*, and the bestselling *Artemis Fowl* graphic novels.
- Back matter contains illustrated comic-style interviews with refugees to help the story in context.

**Author Biography**

Eoin Colfer is the author of the bestselling, award-winning *Artemis Fowl* series, and has sold over twenty million books worldwide.

Andrew Donkin has written over sixty books and graphic novels, including *Illegal* and *Global* with Eoin Colfer and Batman for DC Comics.

Giovanni Rigano has won many awards for his illustrations and is a regular at comic festivals across Europe.

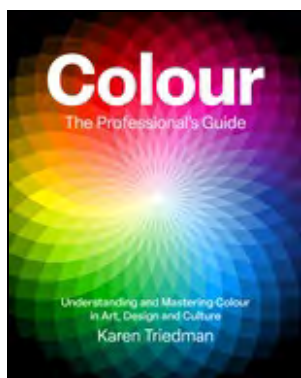
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## Colour: The Professional's Guide Understanding and Mastering Colour in Art, Design and Culture

**Karen Triedman**

### Keynote

Covering the theory, psychology, history and application of color, *Color: The Professional's Guide* removes the grey areas from the full color world of contemporary design, providing designers from all disciplines with everything they need to become true, confident colorists.

### Description

**Color is one of the most complex elements of design; it is also what viewers respond to first on an emotional level.**

Understanding how color works is essential for graphic designers, interior designers, artists and anyone who works with color.

Covering the theory, psychology, history and application of color, *Color: The Professional's Guide* removes the grey areas from the full color world of contemporary design, providing designers from all disciplines with everything they need to become true, confident colorists.

- Color theory including definitions, theoretical color and color organization
- Psychology and culture of color
- Color through history
- Color in art: painting, photography, poetry and film
- Color design and experience including design principles, color in branding, experiential design and color consulting

### Sales Points

- **POPULAR SUBJECT:** Books about color are always popular and continue to sell well
- **COMPLETE AND HIGH-QUALITY INFORMATION:** A full and comprehensive education in all areas of color, broken down into easy-to-grasp sections and fully illustrated with stunning imagery

### Author Biography

Karen Triedman is a designer and educator in the field of color design and visual merchandising. She has taught a variety of classes including theory, psychology, trends and color consulting for Rhode Island School of Design. Karen has written about color and design for various newspapers and design magazines, and has co-authored two books: *Colorgraphics* and *Breaking Designer's Block*, both for Rockport. She lives in Providence, RI, with her husband and three children.

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Main Identifier	<b>9781846017414</b>
Thema 1.6	<b>Interior design, decor and style guides (WJK) Graphic design (AKC) Web graphics and design (UGB)</b>

Binding	<b>Hardback</b>
Format	<b>EA (253x201)</b>
Extent	<b>256 pages</b>
Word Count	
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Book locale	<b>Global</b>
Author living in	<b>USA</b>

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 Thema 1.6 **General cookery and recipes (WBA) Cookery dishes and courses / meals (WBV) Cookery / food by ingredient: meat and game (WBTB)**

Binding **Hardback**  
 Format **270 x 230mm**  
 Extent **480 pages**  
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Book locale **France**  
 Author living in **France**

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## Bistro

### French food and wine for every occasion

#### Stéphane Reynaud

#### Keynote

A massive, gorgeously produced celebration of classic French bistro food and drink by one of the most influential French writers of modern time.

#### Description

**'A love letter to France, filled with the delicious bistro dishes I'm obsessed with. It captures the warmth, generosity and simple magic of a great Parisian table.'**

**Matthew Ryle**

**'The true bistro bible, from of France's favourite food writers'**

**Tom Parker Bowles**

The bistro. The counter, the conviviality, the house classics to eat at any hour. A true French institution. In *Bistro*, Paris's most famous bistrotier, Stéphane Reynaud, shares 250 recipes to enjoy and 100 wines to accompany them. Be transported from the counter to the fishmonger's bench, to the butcher, to the dessert window.

Recipe chapters include:

- The counter: croissants, tarte aux oignons, sardines escabèche
- The fishmonger's bench: creamed mussels, whelks with miso mayo
- Entrées: terrines, soups, endive and olive salad, salmon gravlax, scallops and bacon
- Dish of the day: Lyon sausage, pork and duck cassoulet, stuffed tomatoes, confit garlic potatoes
- Fresh from fishing: tuna with sweet potatoes, marinated sea bream, salmon confit
- The butcher's counter: lamb shank, bavette with shallots, crispy chicken breast
- Served at every hour: fried fish with fries, cheese soufflé, salad Niçoise
- The cheese cellar: from Caen-Rouen to Paris-Lille
- The dessert window: crème caramel, tarte tatin, rum baba

But that isn't all - discover everything you need to know on aperitifs, beer or coffee...Plus 100 wines from all across France, expertly paired with a range of dishes. All the recipes are written by Stéphane Reynaud with generosity and authenticity to ensure pleasure at every table.

#### Sales Points

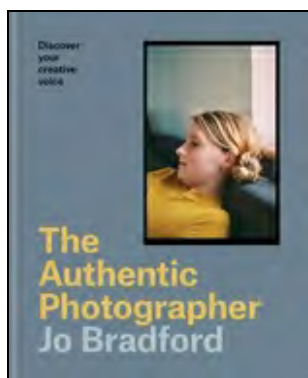
- **FRENCH COOKING IS BACK:** French cooking is firmly back in fashion - see Matthew Ryle's *French Classics* which has TCMed over 18,000 copies since publication August 2025, plus the rise in new French restaurants opening everywhere from London to New York
- **ULTIMATE FRENCH BISTRO COOKBOOK:** beautifully designed as if it were a bistro menu, ranging across every single possible dish you can eat in a French bistro, from a simple croissant to steak frites, plus 100 possible wine pairings.
- **INTERNATIONALLY SUCCESSFUL BOOK:** rights for the book have sold into German, Dutch, Italian, Korean and Chinese, with more than 25,000 copies sold in the French edition in its first 10 months; rave Amazon reviews of the French edition include 'This is a book that comprises more than a beautiful cover, straightforward recipes and gorgeous photos showing off dishes, rather it fully immerses you in the ambiance of a good bistro or tavern'.
- **HUGELY RESPECTED FRENCH AUTHOR:** Stéphane Reynaud is a hugely respected French author with English language success, including appearances with Martha Stewart.

#### Author Biography

Grandson of a butcher, born in Lyon, Stéphane Reynaud has owned and operated several Paris restaurants. The latest, Yes, My General, in the 7th arrondissement of Paris was voted best bistro in Paris in 2020 where people come to 'to drink, drink well and eat, eat well'. He is the author of several cookbooks, including *Ripailles*, *Stéphane Reynaud's Barbecue* and *One Knife, One Pot, One Dish*.

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## The Authentic Photographer Finding your creative voice

Jo Bradford

### Keynote

Based on best-selling author Jo Bradford's consistently sold-out six-week course for the Royal Photographic Society, this is a structured and practical approach to photography for those who struggle with creativity and finding a personal style.

### Description

**Have you mastered the basics of camera control but still struggle with finding your authentic voice?**

Based on best-selling author Jo Bradford's consistently sold-out six-week course for the Royal Photographic Society, this book provides a clear and concise pathway to finding your personal style, and overcoming creative blocks.

The chapters are structured around key photographic themes, from composition to communication. Each section is packed with project-based exercises, encouraging photographers to not only deconstruct their artistic approach, but also reflect upon and be led through the process of rebuilding it. Blending historic ideas about photography and image-making with current concepts around creativity, this is a modern take on the fundamentals of photography and finding inspiration in simplicity.

**The ultimate companion for photographers looking to get out of a creative rut, take their photography forward, and discover new ideas.**

### Sales Points

- **COMP TITLES:** *Smart Phone Smart Photography* by Jo Bradford (11,202 TCM), *Hashtag Authentic* by Sara Tasker (9,640 TCM) and *Conscious Creativity* by Phillipa Stanton (9,384 TCM).
- **GROWING SUBJECT AREA:** Creativity is the last 'unknown' in photographic learning, and as technology increasingly takes care of most of the image-making process, it is the area where there is the greatest demand for insight and guidance.
- **EXPERT AUTHOR:** Jo Bradford is an established author, speaker and educator in photography with a dedicated following both on- and off-line and has a track record for selling books.

### Author Biography

Jo Bradford is a best-selling author, award-winning photographer and educator. Her first two books, *Smart Phone Smart Photography* (2018) and *Smart Phone Smart Photo Editing* (2021), are published by CICO. Her third book, *Smart Photos*, was published in August 2022 by White Lion/Quarto. Jo is an Associate Lecturer on the Marine and Natural History Photography BA at Falmouth University and delivers workshops and presentations on smartphone photography worldwide.

While she lives off-grid on Dartmoor National Park with her two young children and one large dog, Jo is well connected to the outside world with a very engaged following on Instagram.

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Thema 1.6	<b>Photography and photographs (AJ) Photography: subject-specific techniques and principles (AJTF) Photography: portraits and self-portraiture (AJCP)</b>
Binding	<b>Paperback</b>
Format	<b>U (235x190)</b>
Extent	<b>192 pages</b>
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	<b>UK; World</b>
Not for Sale	<b>None</b>

Book locale	<b>Global</b>
Author born in	<b>UK</b>
Author living in	<b>UK</b>

### Publishing History

**ViewPoint** (9781781578827)

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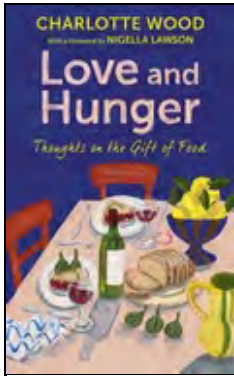
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## Love and Hunger Thoughts on the Gift of Food, with a foreword by Nigella Lawson Charlotte Wood

### Keynote

An ode to good food, from beloved Booker-shortlisted author Charlotte Wood, with a new foreword from Nigella Lawson.

### Description

**'I find it impossible to read [Wood's recipes] without feeling a burst of fresh energy for the kitchen. . . essential nourishment for the reader every bit as much as for the cook' NIGELLA LAWSON**

To award-winning novelist Charlotte Wood, cooking is 'creativity in its purest form', nourishing the soul - and the mind - as well as the body. And in the age of gastro-porn and Instagram lifestyle gurus, this wise and practical book is her invitation to rediscover the pleasure of good food, prepared and presented with minimum fuss and maximum love.

This collection of personal reflections and recipes - ranging from the practical to the contemplative, offering warm and witty reflections on everything from carving a chicken to cooking through grief - will make you long to get into the kitchen and leave you freshly inspired to cook with joy for the people you cherish in your life.

Like a simple but glorious meal cooked by a dear friend, this feast of a book is infused with warmth and generosity - a treat for all who value the solitary and shared pleasures of cooking and eating.

**'Wood beautifully reminds us of the deep, quiet joy of food prepared with love . . . I felt both energised and enriched and genuinely inspired to cook more. The writing felt almost delicious in itself; mouthwatering, comforting, and full of warmth' 5-star reader review**

### Sales Points

- **LIKE HAVING A DELICIOUS HOME-COOKED MEAL WITH A FRIEND** Wise, warm, funny, deeply poignant. This is a new essential companion for all home cooks and foodies: those who have always been intimidated by the idea of cooking for friends; those who need new inspiration; those who have struggled to chop an onion or carve a chicken. And those who want to spend some time in the company of someone who sounds like an old friend.
- **A REAL TREAT, NEVER BEFORE PUBLISHED IN THE UK** *Love & Hunger* has been published in Australia to great acclaim and great success, but this is the first time it is finding a UK audience. An opportunity for more readers to discover the depths of Charlotte's talent.
- **A LITERARY STAR** Charlotte Wood is the Booker-shortlisted author of *Stone Yard Devotional*, the Stella Prize-winning author of *The Natural Way of Things* and the internationally bestselling author of *The Weekend*. She is one of Australia's most celebrated and successful contemporary writers, now beloved by international readers, too. *Love and Hunger* offers an insight into Wood's creativity, via her kitchen, sure to delight fans of her fiction and foodies alike.

### Reviews

- 'No philosophy, snobbery, one-upmanship, no competing with restaurant cooks. Just a lot of honesty and admission of failings, mistakes, triumphs and pleasures' - *Sydney Morning Herald*

### Author Biography

Charlotte Wood is the author of seven novels and three books of non-fiction. Her novel *Stone Yard Devotional* was shortlisted for the 2024 Booker Prize and was selected by the *New York Times* as one of their 10 best books of 2025. Earlier novels include *The Natural Way of Things*, which won the 2016 Stella Prize and was joint winner of the Prime Minister's Literary Award for Fiction, and *The Weekend*, which was an international bestseller. Her features and essays have appeared in the *New York Times*, *Guardian*, *Literary Hub* and *Sydney Morning Herald*, among others. Charlotte lives in Sydney with her husband.

Publication date	<b>Thursday, August 20, 2026</b>
Price	<b>£20.00 / ₹1599</b>
Main Identifier	<b>9781399756143</b>
Thema 1.6	<b>Biography and non-fiction prose (DN) Cookery / food and drink / food writing / cookbooks (WB) Memoirs (DNC) Essays (DNL)</b>
Binding	<b>Hardback</b>
Format	<b>Demy</b>
Extent	<b>288 pages</b>
Word Count	
Illustrations	<b>N/A</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>Cw (ex ANZ); EU; Ire; UK</b>
Not for Sale	<b>ANZ; Can; USA</b>
Book locale	<b>Sydney, Australia</b>
Author born in	<b>Cooma, Australia</b>
Author living in	<b>Sydney, Australia</b>

### Previous Titles

*Stone Yard Devotional* (2023)  
*The Weekend* (2019)  
*The Natural Way of Things* (2015)  
*Animal People* (2011)

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## Japan Voyage Collection Mitchell Beazley

### Keynote

The ultimate luxury gift book, this clothbound tome with sprayed edges and an embossed cover is a beautiful celebration of the the ancient land of Japan.

### Description

Escape to the ancient land of Japan with this luxurious, clothbound book of nearly 300 stunning photographs, accompanied by a playlist to immerse yourself fully in the spirit of this captivating country.

Lush forests that conceal magnificent temples, bustling modern cities with ancient traditions, turquoise waters where mountains can be admired and sprawling countryside draped in new colours with each season. This marvellous archipelago is said to have been born from the union of two Japanese deities, Izanagi and Izanami.

The inhabitants of these ancient islands now perpetuate Japan's inspiring art of living, its craftsmanship, fashion and gastronomy. A world shaped by nature, beliefs, and the unparalleled attention to detail of the Japanese people.

Let yourself be carried away on a unique journey, far from crowds and the expected...

### Sales Points

- **BEAUTIFUL PACKAGE:** This large, coffee table book is bound in real cloth for a luxurious feel, with contrasting sprayed edges and an embossed cover, making it the perfect gift for any travel lover.
- **COMPS:** The Voyage Collection is a collection of books to rival Assouline's hugely popular travel series.
- **POPULAR DESTINATION:** Tourism in Japan has grown hugely in the past few years. In 2024, the country recorded more than 35 million international visitors. In the UK book market, we are seeing this interest in Japan reflected in the popularity of Japanese translated fiction - in 2023, Japanese authors were the UK's biggest import in translation.
- **CONTENT:** As well as insights into the country and its culture, *Japan* contains nearly 300 beautifully shot images, as well as a bespoke Spotify playlist.

Publication date	<b>Thursday, August 20, 2026</b>
Price	<b>£50.00 / ₹4699</b>
Main Identifier	<b>9781846017124</b>
Thema 1.6	<b>Photography and photographs (AJ) Japan (1FPJ) East Asia, Far East (1FP)</b>
Binding	<b>Hardback</b>
Format	<b>hardback</b>
Depth	<b>34mm</b>
Extent	<b>298 pages</b>
Word Count	<b>7942 words</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>UK; World</b>
Not for Sale	<b>None</b>
Book locale	<b>Japan</b>

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## Amalfi Coast Voyage Collection

Mitchell Beazley

### Keynote

The ultimate luxury gift book, this clothbound tome with sprayed edges and an embossed cover is a stunning celebration of the magical Amalfi coast.

### Description

Sail away to the Amalfi coast with this luxurious, clothbound book of nearly 300 stunning photographs, accompanied by a playlist to immerse yourself fully in the ambiance of southern Italy.

A true gem of southern Italy, this coastline with its steep slopes exudes a timeless charm. Amalfi is its epicentre, nestled in its rocky amphitheatre where colourful houses and immaculate villas seem to hang in the air. In Ravello, the scent of wisteria mingles with the salty sea air in the enchanted gardens that have inspired so many artists.

A people of fishermen and artisans, the inhabitants of this coastline cultivate *la dolce vita*. The serenity of the Amalfi Coast can be felt on every street corner, at the top of every belvedere. A place where you find yourself dreaming, dazzled by the light of the sun setting over the azure waters where Odysseus once encountered the sirens.

Let yourself be carried away on a unique journey, far from crowds and the expected...

### Sales Points

- **BEAUTIFUL PACKAGE:** This large, coffee table book is bound in real cloth for a luxurious feel, with contrasting sprayed edges and an embossed cover, making it the perfect gift for any travel lover.
- **COMPS:** The Voyage Collection is a collection of books to rival Assouline's hugely popular travel series. Another key comp for *Amalfi Coast* is *Il Dolce Far Niente: The Italian Way of Summer* which has sold in to H&M, John Lewis and Anthropologie.
- **POPULAR DESTINATION:** Tourism on the Amalfi Coast has grown hugely in the past few years, with the region now attracting up to 5 million visitors a year.
- **CONTENT:** As well as insights into the region and its culture, *Amalfi Coast* contains nearly 300 beautifully shot images, as well as a bespoke Spotify playlist.

Publication date	<b>Thursday, August 20, 2026</b>
Price	<b>£50.00 / ₹4699</b>
Main Identifier	<b>9781846017117</b>
Thema 1.6	<b>Photography and photographs (AJ) Southern Italy: Places of interest (1DST-IT-UZ) Italy (1DST) The Amalfi coast (1DST-IT-UMSC) Amalfi coast (1DZT-IT-R)</b>

Binding	<b>Hardback</b>
Format	<b>hardback</b>
Depth	<b>34mm</b>
Extent	<b>298 pages</b>
Word Count	<b>8654 words</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>UK; World</b>
Not for Sale	<b>None</b>

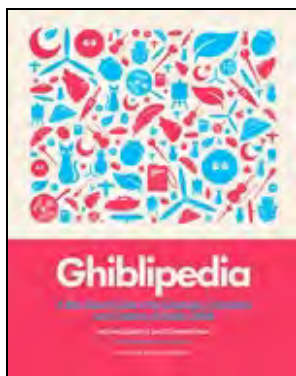
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Publication date	<b>Thursday, August 20, 2026</b>
Price	<b>£25.00 / ₹1999</b>
Main Identifier	<b>9781035436415</b>
Thema 1.6	<b>Anime (ATFV1) Film guides and reviews (ATFG) Individual film directors, film-makers (ATFB)</b>
Binding	<b>Hardback</b>
Format	<b>237x185</b>
Extent	<b>208 pages</b>
Word Count	<b>52934 words</b>
Illustrations	<b>Approx. 200 colour artworks and photographs</b>
Exclusively for Sale	<b>UK; World</b>
Not for Sale	<b>None</b>

#### Previous Titles

Ghibliotheque: The Unofficial Guide to the Movies of Studio Ghibli  
Ghibliverse: Studio Ghibli Beyond the Films

1st Serial	<b>Headline Publishing Group</b>
2nd Serial	<b>Headline Publishing Group</b>
Audio	<b>Headline Publishing Group</b>
Dramatisation and documentary	<b>Headline Publishing Group</b>
Electronic	<b>Headline Publishing Group</b>
Film and TV	<b>Headline Publishing Group</b>
Large print	<b>Headline Publishing Group</b>
Podcast	<b>Refer to Publisher</b>
Translation	<b>Headline Publishing Group</b>
Undramatised (straight) reading	<b>Headline Publishing Group</b>
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## Ghiblipedia A Bite-Sized Guide to the Creatures, Characters and Creators of Studio Ghibli

**Michael Leader and Jake Cunningham**

#### Keynote

A new, beautifully illustrated entry in the bestselling series, featuring more than 200 bite-sized entries on all things Studio Ghibli.

#### Description

**Explore the characters, creatures, people and places of Studio Ghibli in this beautifully illustrated encyclopedia.**

From Arrietty to Zeniba, join Michael Leader and Jake Cunningham, authors and hosts of the Ghibliotheque podcast, on a new journey through **the magical worlds of Studio Ghibli**. *Ghiblipedia* dives into the details of the world's greatest animation studio, featuring **more than 200 bite-sized entries** spanning every film - from *My Neighbour Totoro* to *Spirited Away* to *The Boy and the Heron* - and beyond.

Across **seven themed chapters**, you'll find illuminating facts and fascinating trivia about everything from **iconic creatures** (Totoro, No-Face), **famous characters** (Porco Rosso, Nausicaa) and **legendary filmmakers** (Hayao Miyazaki, Isao Takahata), as well as locations, contraptions, influences and much more besides.

Illustrated throughout with **more than 150 beautiful photographs, artworks and stills**, this is a stunning addition to any Ghibli fan's bookshelf.

#### Sales Points

- A new book in the Ghibliotheque series, which has sold more than 200k copies worldwide and been translated into ten languages.
- Authors Michael Leader and Jake Cunningham are experts in animation and hosts of the Ghibliotheque podcast. They frequently hold sold-out screenings and talks around the UK and internationally.
- Illustrated with more than 150 photographs, artworks and stills from some of the most beautiful animated films ever made.
- Studio Ghibli is one of the most recognised brands in entertainment, with billions in global box office revenue, enduring merchandise demand and two successful West End theatre productions.
- With more than 200 short, entertaining entries, this is a perfect gifting book for Ghibli fans.

#### Author Biography

##### Michael Leader (Author)

**Michael Leader** is a writer and broadcaster whose writing has appeared in *Sight & Sound* and *Little White Lies*, and whose voice has appeared on podcasts and radio ranging from *Ghibliotheque* and *Truth & Movies* to BBC *Front Row* and BBC Radio 5. For several years he was Editorial Director for Film4 Online, and Commissioning Editor of the BBC Arts/iPlayer series *Inside Cinema* and *Inside Games*, for which he wrote and produced short-form documentaries about, among other things, Studio Ghibli. He lives in Sussex with his partner and a small child.

##### Jake Cunningham (Author)

**Jake Cunningham** is a multimedia writer and producer. As well as Ghibliotheque, he has produced podcasts with NBC Universal, Sky, Channel 4 and Prime Video. He discusses film on the BBC World Service, and has written and voiced video essays for the BBC and *Little White Lies*. He has written for *Empire*, *The I* and *NME* among others. His first animated short film as writer and producer, made with the BFI, was released in 2021. He recently developed and wrote on a Sky Atlantic documentary and is currently producing his next film. He lives in London with his wife, small dog and baby.

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## Winnie-the-Pooh

Series / Series #	Children's Signature Editions		
By (author)	Milne, A. A.		
Format/Sub-format	Trade Paperback	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9781454964537 / 1454964537	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	15,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	5 1/4 x 8 / 144 / 28	Age Range	8 & up
Team	Michael Coulter (Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats	Electronic Book		
Photos / Illustrations	104 b/w illus.		
Selling Territory	World Exclusive		
BISAC Category	(Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV007000) Classics, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV002030) Animals / Bears, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV039060) Social Themes / Friendship		
Pricing	\$7.99 (US Price) / ₹650 / \$10.99 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>06/01/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>07/07/2026</b>	



### Title Notes

**Sales Handle:** A. A. Milne's beloved tales of childhood wonder and the enduring bonds of friendship, now available in an unabridged, illustrated paperback volume in Union Square and Co.'s Signature Editions series.

**Book Description:** In 1926, the world was introduced to a portly little bear with a soft spot for honey named Winnie-the-Pooh. Along with Christopher Robin and his close-knit group of friends in the Hundred Acre Wood, Pooh has delighted readers for generations with his befuddled perceptions and charming insights. From the spirited Tigger to the gloomy Eeyore to the timid Piglet, A. A. Milne's lovable bunch embody the importance of friendship, the simple joys in life, and the curious nature of a child's imagination. Filled with gentle humor and playful wisdom, *Winnie-the-Pooh* is a timeless classic that remains near and dear to the hearts of children and adults alike.

### Key Selling Points

- **TARGET AUDIENCE:** For readers of other classics of children's literature like Kenneth Grahame's *The Wind in the Willows* and Beatrix Potter's *The Tale of Peter Rabbit*; for fans of contemporary illustrated chapter books for children like *Orris and Timble: Lost and Found* by Kate DiCamillo.
- **A PERENNIAL FAVORITE:** A century after it was first published, *Winnie-the-Pooh* remains a classic of children's literature. Widely translated and adapted, it continues to be beloved by contemporary audiences, with relatable characters for children and a nostalgic appeal for adults.
- **NEW PACKAGE:** Bold and dynamic covers with a sophisticated design, attractive packaging, and affordable pricing give this unabridged trade paperback classic new life.

### Author Info

Author Residence	A. A. Milne was born in Kilburn, London, England, and died in Hartfield, Sussex, England.	Local Bookstore	
About The Author	<b>A. A. Milne</b> (1882–1956) was born in London. He was a playwright and journalist as well as a poet and storyteller. His classic children's books were inspired by his son, Christopher Robin. Milne died in 1956.		
Author Links	(Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)		

### Author History

# The Teacher's Pet

By (author) / Illustrated by	Mrose Rissi, Anica / OHora, Zachariah		
Format/Sub-format	Trade Paperback / Picture Book	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9780316608718 / 0316608718	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print		1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	8-1/2 x 11 / 40 / 96	Age Range	4-8
Team	Roddyna Saint-Paul (Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats	Electronic Book, Hardcover Book		
Selling Territory	World Exclusive		
BISAC Category	<b>(Juv) Juvenile Fiction</b> / (JUV035000) School & Education, <b>(Juv) Juvenile Fiction</b> / (JUV002190) Animals / Pets, <b>(Juv) Juvenile Fiction</b> / (JUV019000) Humorous Stories		
Pricing	\$9.99 (US Price) / ₹799/ \$12.99 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>06/01/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>07/07/2026</b>	



## Title Notes

**Sales Handle:** A group of students must convince their teacher to give up their strange, definitely-not-a-tadpole class pet in this laugh-out-loud tale, now in paperback!

**Book Description:** When their class tadpoles are big enough, Mr. Stricter tells his students they can keep just one. The class chooses Bruno, the smallest of the bunch. But Bruno doesn't stay that way for long. Soon, he's grown into a giant, classroom-wrecking creature: he eats desks, he farts for show-and-tell, and he sneezes slime all over everything! With Mr. Stricter blinded by love for the pet, the students must step up and take matters into their own heroic hands.

This hilarious picture book by author Anica Mrose Rissi, brilliantly illustrated by Zachariah OHora, will keep kids giggling page after page as classmates join together to solve one BIG problem.

## Key Selling Points

- **A HILARIOUS, BOLD NEW COVER:** Now in paperback, this edition has an updated cover that puts the hilarious animal humor front and center.
- **GREAT FOR BACK-TO-SCHOOL AND YEAR ROUND:** School stories are constantly appealing, and this one hits all the right notes, giving it the feel of an enduring favorite. Plus, kids will love the role reversal they see on the page as the students have to help out their clueless teacher.
- **EDUCATOR NOTES:** Irony, Animals Stories, Pet Stories, Responsible Decision-making, School Stories, Self-Awareness

## Author Info

Author Residence	Princeton, New Jersey	Local Bookstore	Labyrinth Books; jaZams Toys
About The Author	<p><b>Anica Mrose Rissi</b> is the author of <i>Watch Out for Wolf!</i>, illustrated by Charles Santoso; <i>Love, Sophia on the Moon</i>, illustrated by Mika Song; and the Anna, Banana chapter book series. Anica grew up on an island off the coast of Maine, where she read a lot of books and loved a lot of pets. She now tells and collects stories, makes up songs on her violin, and eats lots of cheese with her friends in Princeton, New Jersey, where she lives with her dog, Arugula. The author invites you to visit her at <a href="http://anicarissi.com">anicarissi.com</a> and follow her @anicarissi on Instagram.</p> <p><b>Zachariah OHora</b> is the illustrator of many books for children including the <i>New York Times</i> bestselling book <i>Wolfie the Bunny</i> by Ame Dyckman, <i>Who Wet My Pants?</i> by Bob Shea, <i>Horrible Bear</i> by Ame Dyckman, <i>Poe Won't Go</i> by Kelly Dipucchio, and <i>Read the Book, Lemmings!</i> by Ame Dyckman. He is the author and illustrator of a number of award-winning books, including <i>Niblet &amp; Ralph</i>, <i>Whale Song</i>, <i>My Cousin Momo!</i>, and more. He is also the creator of the hit PBS show <i>Carl the Collector</i>. Zachariah lives in Narberth, PA with his wife and two sons. Visit him online at <a href="http://www.fuzzy.town">www.fuzzy.town</a>.</p>		
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## Praise

# Classic Starts®: The Odyssey

Series / Series #	Classic Starts®		
By (author) / Abridged by	Homer / Zamorsky, Tania		
Format/Sub-format	Paper Over Board	Edition	Reissue
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9781454942436 / 1454942436	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print		1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	5 3/8 x 7 1/2 / 160 / 20	Age Range	7-9
Team	Michael Coulter, Michael Coulter (Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats	Electronic Book, Paper Over Board, Trade Paperback		
Photos / Illustrations	10 b/w illus.		
Selling Territory	World Exclusive		
BISAC Category	(Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV007000) Classics, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV001010) Action & Adventure / Survival Stories, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV022020) Legends, Myths, Fables / Greek & Roman		
Pricing	\$9.99 (US Price) / ₹799 / \$12.99 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>06/01/2026</b>	Pub Date:	<b>07/07/2026</b>



## Title Notes

**Sales Handle:** An abridged and illustrated chapter book retelling of *The Odyssey*, part of the bestselling Classic Starts series that has sold more than 8 million copies!

**Book Description:** Homer's epic tale of the warrior Odysseus's decades-long struggle to return home after the Trojan War is simply and beautifully retold, with all the drama intact. Young readers will thrill at Odysseus's adventures with the man-eating Cyclops; the enchantress Circe, who turns his crew into pigs; and the angry sea god Poseidon.

## Key Selling Points

- **TARGET AUDIENCE:** Aimed toward emerging independent readers ages 7 through 9; Introducing children to beloved classics in approachable, easy-to-read abridgements; With genres including fantasy, sci-fi, adventure, slice-of-life, and more, this series will appeal to a wide range of children.
- **2026 STAR-STUDED ADAPTATION:** Christopher Nolan is directing an adaptation of *The Odyssey* starring Matt Damon, Tom Holland, Zendaya, Anne Hathaway, and Charlize Theron.
- **UPDATED PACKAGE:** This paper-over-board format includes vibrant new cover art by award-winning illustrator Karl James Mountford, 10 discussion questions, and 10 pieces of new black-and-white interior art to dynamically illustrate the story for contemporary audiences.

## Author Info

Author Residence	Local Bookstore
About The Author	<b>Homer</b> (c.900 BCE–c.701 BCE) was an ancient Greek author and poet who was reputed to have written the <i>Iliad</i> and the <i>Odyssey</i> , two epic poems that are foundational works of Greek literature.
Author Links	(Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)

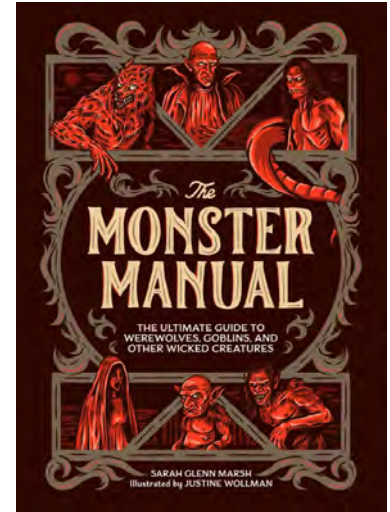
## Author History

## Comps

- 06/25** — **Classic Starts®: Gulliver's Travels** — Swift/Woodside (9781454942344, HC, Union Square & Co., \$9.99, 160 pgs) ·3,283 (Gross), 3,000 (Net), (Source) — Reason:
- 08/22** — **Classic Starts®: The Call of the Wild** — London/Ho (9781454945307, POB, Union Square & Co., \$9.99, 160 pgs) ·15,982 (Gross), 15,544 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

# The Monster Manual

Subtitle	The Ultimate Guide to Werewolves, Goblins, and Other Wicked Creatures		
By (author) / Illustrated by	Marsh, Sarah Glenn / Wollman, Justine		
Format/Sub-format	Paper Over Board / Middle Grade	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9798894142555 /	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	12,000	1st Serial / Bridges	Yes / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	7-1/2 x 10 / 176 / 36	Age Range	10-12
Team	Allison Cohen (Editor) / Becca Matheson (Marketer) / Becca Matheson (Publici		
Other Formats	Electronic Book		
Photos / Illustrations	4C cover, 60 2C spot illustrations, ~4-5 full page 2C illustrations		
Selling Territory	World, All languages		
BISAC Category	(Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV052000) Monsters, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV079000) Werewolves & Shifters, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV078000) Vampires		
Pricing	\$17.99 (US Price) / ₹1525 / \$23.99 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>06/01/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>07/07/2026</b>	



## Title Notes

**Sales Handle:** For fans of *Monsterology* and *The Big Book of Monsters*, this is a stunning, two-color illustrated compendium of the monstrous beings that haunt our world.

**Book Description:** Unleash your imagination with this rare guide packed full of freaky facts, spine-tingling stats, and wild illustrations of creatures of legend—all gathered by the lost souls who quested for this forbidden knowledge! Perfect for readers who dare to face the dark (with a flashlight and a snack).

Creep through the shadows. Listen for the scratching. Something is out there—and it knows you're reading this book.

*The Monster Manual* is not a bedtime story. It's a field guide to the beasts that slither, skulk, and stalk when the lights go out. Collected by vanished monster-hunters and forbidden to be printed—until now—these pages contain the truth grown-ups won't admit: monsters are real. From vampires and goblins to witches and werewolves, this creep-tacular book serves as a guide to the history of monsters and offers information on how/where to find these mythical beings, as well as descriptions and tales of human contact with them over time. Complete with interactive elements like quizzes ("What's Your Monster Personality?"), activities/crafts (brew a witch's potion), and survival warnings from those who dared to hunt these creatures down, this compendium is your only hope—should you find yourself face-to-face with something that should not exist.

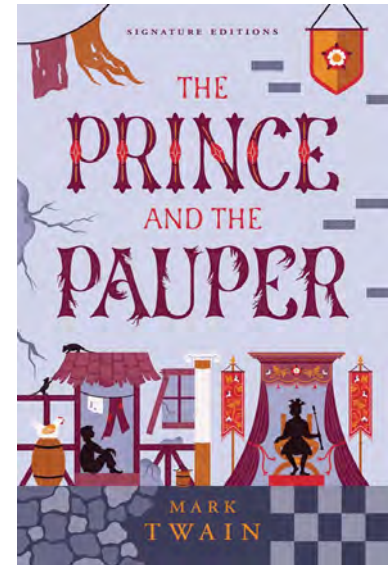
## Key Selling Points

- **PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE CALENDAR YEAR:** Given the "spooky" theme, there is potential for Halloween season tie-ins, as well as other touchpoints (Did you know about National Werewolf Day in February? World Dracula Day in May? Frankenstein Day in August?) all year long.
- **RPK SPIN ON A POPULAR TOPIC:** This is not a monster/folklore story collection, but rather an encyclopedia of scary creatures, that allows RPK to continue publishing books for young enthusiasts (in this case, for those obsessed with beasts and monsters) but with our particular POV.
- **INTERACTIVE ELEMENTS FOR MAXIMUM ENGAGEMENT:** Features quizzes ("What's Your Monster Personality?"), DIY crafts, and monster-spotting tips to make this more than just an encyclopedia of monsters and spooky creatures, and sets it apart from current competitive titles. NOTE: this book is *not* consumable, and readers are directed to answer any quizzes on their own piece of paper.

## Author Info

# The Prince and the Pauper

Series / Series #	Children's Signature Editions		
By (author)	Twain, Mark		
Format/Sub-format	Trade Paperback	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9781454964513 / 1454964510	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	15,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	5 1/4 x 8 / 256 / 28	Age Range	8 & up
Team	Michael Coulter (Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats	Electronic Book		
Selling Territory	World Exclusive		
BISAC Category	(Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV007000) Classics, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV016040) Historical / Europe, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV039090) Social Themes / New Experience		
Pricing	\$8.99 (US Price) / ₹699 / \$11.99 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>06/01/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>07/07/2026</b>	



## Title Notes

**Sales Handle:** Mark Twain's historical satire about two identical boys who trade places to experience a life they never imagined, now available in an unabridged, paperback volume in Union Square and Co.'s Signature Editions series.

**Book Description:** Set in sixteenth-century England, *The Prince and the Pauper* is Mark Twain's timeless tale of identical strangers, the penniless Tom Canty living in the London slums and the royal Prince Edward, who switch places to experience what the other's life has to offer. Subtitled "A Tale for Young People of All Ages," *The Prince and the Pauper* blends action and comedy with a witty satire of social hierarchy that has resonated with readers for generations.

## Key Selling Points

- **TARGET AUDIENCE:** For readers of Twain's other work, like *A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court* and *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*; for fans of contemporary retellings that explore identity and social class like *The Princess and the Fangirl* by Ashley Poston.
- **A BELOVED AND OFTEN RETOLD STORY:** *The Prince and the Pauper* is Twain's most adapted novel. It has inspired numerous films, television shows, plays, comic books, and Netflix's *Princess Switch* series.
- **NEW PACKAGE:** Bold and dynamic covers with a sophisticated design, attractive packaging, and affordable pricing give this unabridged trade paperback classic new life.

## Author Info

Author Residence	Mark Twain was born in Florida, Missouri, and died in Redding, Connecticut.	Local Bookstore	
About The Author	<b>Mark Twain</b> (1835–1910) was born as Samuel Langhorne Clemens. When he was four years old, he moved to Hannibal, Missouri, which later inspired the setting of his novels <i>The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn</i> and <i>The Adventures of Tom Sawyer</i> . Before he wrote books, Twain worked as a riverboat pilot on the Mississippi River.		
Author Links	(Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)		

## Author History

## Comps

**05/23** — *Adventures of Tom Sawyer* — Mark Twain (9781454950011, PB, Union Square & Co., \$9.99, 264 pgs)

·7,002 (Gross), 6,844 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**09/22** — *Anne of Green Gables* — Lucy Maud Montgomery (9781454945628, PB, Union Square & Co., \$9.99, 336 pgs)

·32,579 (Gross), 32,413 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**10/06** — *The Prince and the Pauper* — Mark Twain (9781416928058, PB, Aladdin, \$8.99, 0 pgs)

·9,409 (Gross), Bookscan (Source) — Reason:

# Five Little Ghosts

Series / Series #	Five Little		
Illustrated by	Barrow, Alex		
Format/Sub-format	Board Book / Baby/Toddler	Edition	US Edition
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9798887772578 /	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	40,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	7.086614 x 7.086614 / 10 /	Age Range	2-5
Team	(Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats			
Selling Territory	World Exclusive \ A/NZ Non-Exclusive		
BISAC Category	(Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV017030) Holidays & Celebrations / Halloween, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV020000) Interactive Adventures, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV058000) Paranormal, Occult & Supernatural, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV055000) Nursery Rhymes		
Pricing	\$9.99 (US Price) ₹799/ \$12.99 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>06/15/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>07/21/2026</b>	



## Title Notes

### Sales Handle:

**Book Description:** Based on the popular nursery rhyme *Five Little Ducks*, this adorably spooky board book is the perfect treat for babies and toddlers this Halloween. With an interactive slider on every page and bright colors throughout, children will love to count along as they repeat the rhyme while on the hunt for Mommy Ghost's playful little Ghosts, who all shout, "BOO!".

Watch for *Five Little Elves*, coming in Fall 2027!

## Key Selling Points

- Seasonal board book title from illustrator, Alex Barrow, of the bestselling picture book series, *If I Had a . . .*
- The perfect first Halloween book for little ones to have fun while learning to count down from 5 to 1
- Neon ink, a slider and friendly little ghosts on every page!

## Author Info

Author Residence	Local Bookstore
About The Author	<b>Alex Barrow</b> is Art Director for the popular science and arts themed children's magazine <i>OKIDO</i> , as well as a children's books illustrator. His first book for children, <i>A Possum's Tail</i> , was published in 2014 and was quickly nominated for the 2015 Cilip Kate Greenaway Medal. He is the award-winning illustrator of the series <i>If I Had a Pet</i> , written by poet Gabby Dawney. In his spare time, Alex plays the accordion in his band MALPHINO!
Author Links	(Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)

## Marketing & Publicity Plans

- Halloween promotion • Social media promotion • School and library conference promotion • Bookseller conference promotion • Librarian a educator outreach

## Author History

**04/21** — *If I Had an Octopus* — Gabby Dawney (9780500652251, HC, Thames & Hudson, \$14.95, 0 pgs)

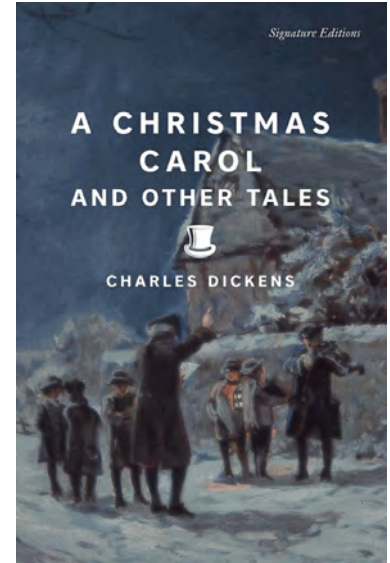
•2,093 (Gross), Bookscan (Source) —

**02/17** — *If I Had a Dinosaur* — Gabby Dawney (9780500650998, HC, Thames & Hudson, \$15.95, 0 pgs)

•4,428 (Gross), Bookscan (Source) —

# A Christmas Carol and Other Tales

Series / Series #	Signature Editions		
By (author)	Dickens, Charles		
Format/Sub-format	Trade Paperback	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9781454964636 / 1454964634	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	15,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	5 1/4 x 8 / 480 / 16	Age Range	
Team	Michael Coulter (Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats	Electronic Book		
Selling Territory	World Exclusive		
BISAC Category	(Fic) Fiction / (FIC004000) Classics, (Fic) Fiction / (FIC058000) Holidays, (Fic) Fiction / (FIC012000) Ghost		
Pricing	\$12.99 (US Price) / ₹999/ \$16.99 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>06/15/2026</b>	Pub Date:	<b>07/21/2026</b>



## Title Notes

**Sales Handle:** Charles Dickens's classic tale *A Christmas Carol*, along with more of his Christmas writings, freshly repackaged for the Union Square & Co. Signature Editions line.

**Book Description:** Dickens's widely adapted *A Christmas Carol* follows Ebenezer Scrooge, a miserly, misanthropic businessman who is visited by spirits who take him on a journey to become a man who truly appreciates Christmas and the value of helping those around him. This edition also includes Charles Dickens's Christmas novellas:

- *The Chimes*: A poor, elderly man is visited by spirits who restore his faith in humanity.
- *The Cricket on the Hearth*: A gentle, domestic story following a family in an English village during the holiday season.
- *The Battle of Life*: Two sisters navigate the challenges of love, family, and the passage of time.
- *The Haunted Man*: After a chemist makes a deal with a spirit to forget his sorrows, he learns to value the full human experience.

## Key Selling Points

- **TARGET AUDIENCE:** Fans of contemporary holiday themed novels including *A Christmas Story* by Jean Shepherd; Readers of beloved Christmas-themed stories, such as E. T. A. Hoffman's *Nutcracker and Mouse King* and Louisa May Alcott's *Little Women*; For librarians, educators, students, and others in pursuit of classic literature.
- **HUGE SALES OPPORTUNITY:** Along with the wildly popular *A Christmas Carol*, this edition collects four of Dickens's holiday-themed novellas: *The Chimes*, *The Cricket on the Hearth*, *The Battle of Life*, and *The Haunted Man*. This collected edition is a great opportunity to market all of Dickens's Christmas writings in one place.
- **THE MAN WHO INVENTED CHRISTMAS:** Dickens's Christmas writings are so popular that they earned him the moniker, "The Man who Invented Christmas." This was also the name of a 2017 semi-biographical film about Charles Dickens.

## Author Info

Author Residence	Charles Dickens was born in Portsmouth, Hampshire, England, and died in Higham, Kent, England.	Local Bookstore	
About The Author	<b>Charles Dickens</b> (1812–1870) was the second of eight children in a family beset by financial insecurity. A prolific and popular author, even in his day, Dickens is widely regarded as the greatest novelist of the Victorian era.		
Author Links	(Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)		

## Author History

# Halloween Street

Subtitle	A Fold-Out, Lift-the-Flap ABC Book!		
By (author) / Illustrated by	Emmett, Jonathan / Arrhenius, Ingela P		
Format/Sub-format	Board Book / Baby/Toddler	Edition	US Edition
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9798887772677 /	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	25,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	7.992126 x 11.811024 / 26 /	Age Range	2-5
Team	(Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats			
Selling Territory	World Exclusive \ A/NZ Non-Exclusive		
BISAC Category	<b>(Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV017030) Holidays &amp; Celebrations / Halloween, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV052000) Monsters, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV023000) Lifestyles / City &amp; Town Life</b>		
Pricing	\$18.99 (US Price) / ₹1570 / \$24.99 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>06/15/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>07/21/2026</b>	



## Title Notes

### Sales Handle:

**Book Description:** Stroll down Halloween Street in this accordion-style A-Z book, complete with a rhyming text, flaps to lift, and adorable art from Ingela P. Arrhenius.

Halloween Street is full of Trick-or-Treaters out for a night of fun! Unfold this accordion-format to see all the ghoulish shops—from Amazing Broomsticks to Ogre's Potions—then open the flaps to read the alphabetical rhyming text. On the back, you'll find a sprawling neighborhood scene, full of costumed characters and carnival treats, which doubles as perfect Halloween decor.

Includes a free Stories Aloud audio book—just scan the QR code on the back cover to listen!

## Key Selling Points

- A high-quality accordion-format cased board book with 26 double-sided flaps, a rhyming text, and bright, festive Halloween art.
- The newest installment in Emmett's and Arrhenius's accordion board book series. Previous books include *Number Train* (2024), *Alphabet Street* (Candlewick Press, 2019) and *Christmas Street* (Candlewick Press, 2022).
- Perfect for Halloween gifting, this also makes a beautiful room decoration. Just fold out the pages and display all October long!

## Author Info

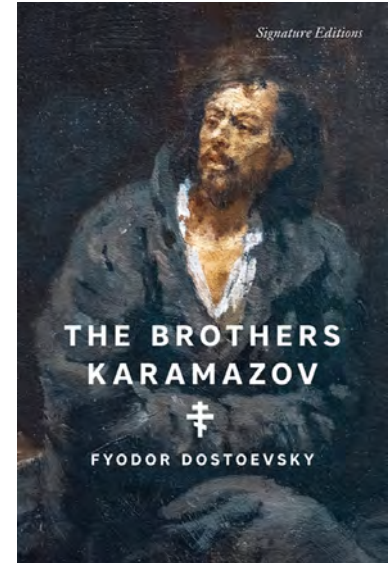
Author Residence	Local Bookstore
About The Author	<p><b>Jonathan Emmett</b> worked as an architect before becoming a children's author and novelty book designer. He likes building things and taking things apart, playing games and solving puzzles, and letting his imagination run riot.</p> <p><b>Ingela P. Arrhenius</b> has illustrated several picture books as well as other products for children. Her love of retro style, typography, and color is reflected in all of her work. Ingela lives with her husband and two sons in Stockholm, Sweden.</p>
Author Links	(Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)

## Marketing & Publicity Plans

- **Bound proofs available** • **Halloween promotion** • **Ingela P. Arrhenius : sheet** • **Social media promotion** • **School and library conference promotion** • **Bookseller conference promotion** • **Librarian and educator outreach**

# The Brothers Karamazov

Series / Series #	Signature Editions		
By (author)	Dostoevsky, Fyodor		
Format/Sub-format	Trade Paperback	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9781454964711 / 1454964715	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	15,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	5 1/4 x 8 / 976 / 8	Age Range	
Team	Michael Coulter (Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats	Electronic Book		
Selling Territory	World Exclusive		
BISAC Category	(Fic) Fiction / (FIC004000) Classics, (Fic) Fiction / (FIC031030) Thrillers / Legal, (Fic) Fiction / (FIC025000) Psychological, (Fic) Fiction / (FIC120010) World Literature / Russia / 19th Century		
Pricing	\$16.99 (US Price) / ₹1399 / \$22.99 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>06/15/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>07/21/2026</b>	



## Title Notes

**Sales Handle:** Fyodor Dostoevsky’s passionate and philosophical final novel, freshly repackaged for the Union Square & Co. Signature Editions line.

**Book Description:** Set in 19th-century Russia, when a landowner is murdered, the lives of his sons are changed forever: the sentimental Dmitri, whose contentious relationship with his father immediately places him under suspicion for the murder; Ivan, the intellectual, whose mental tortures lead to a breakdown; the spiritual Alyosha, who tries to heal the family’s wounds; and their bastard half-brother, Smerdyakov, who casts a dark shadow over them all. Part murder mystery, part courtroom drama, Dostoyevsky’s masterpiece paints a dark portrait where the lines between innocence and guilt, right and wrong, blur and everyone’s faith is tested.

## Key Selling Points

- **TARGET AUDIENCE:** For fans of Dostoevsky’s other masterpiece, *Crime and Punishment*, or other Russian classics like Tolstoy’s *War and Peace*; for readers of complex contemporary family dramas like *The Family Chao* by Lan Samantha Chang. For librarians, educators, students, and others in pursuit of classic literature.
- **ICONIC TEXTS:** The Signature Editions series includes the best-known works of the literary canon and champions a diverse vision of classic literature.
- **A COLLECTIBLE EDITION:** Designed to appeal to readers who want to pick up individual volumes as well as those who want to acquire the entire series.

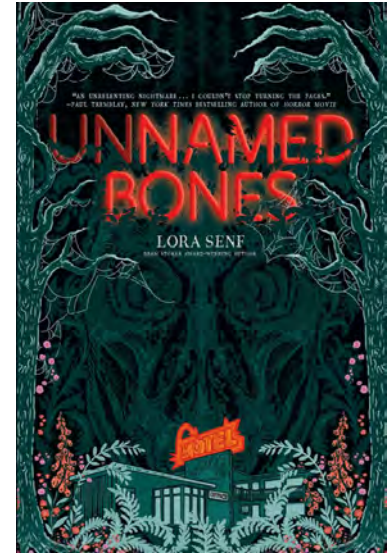
## Author Info

Author Residence	Fyodor Dostoevsky was born in Moscow, Russia, and died in Saint Petersburg, Russia.	Local Bookstore	
About The Author	<b>Fyodor Dostoevsky</b> (1821–1881) was a novelist, short story writer, and journalist. Widely regarded as one of the greatest novelists ever, his most acclaimed novels— <i>Crime and Punishment</i> , <i>The Brothers Karamazov</i> , and <i>The Idiot</i> —have had an immeasurable impact on world literature, Existentialism, and Freudian psychology.		
Author Links	(Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)		

## Author History

## Unnamed Bones

By (author)	Senf, Lora		
Format/Sub-format	Hardcover Book / Young Adult	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9781454965053 / 1454965053	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	10,000	1st Serial / Bridges	Yes / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	5 1/2 x 8 1/4 / 288 / 20	Age Range	14 & up
Team	Ardyce Alspach (Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats	Advance Reading Copy - Galleys, Electronic Book, Trade Paperback		
Selling Territory	World Exclusive		
BISAC Category	(Yaf) Young Adult Fiction / (YAF026000) Horror, (Yaf) Young Adult Fiction / (YAF045000) Paranormal, Occult & Supernatural, (Yaf) Young Adult Fiction / (YAF019020) Fantasy / Dark Fantasy		
Pricing	\$19.99 (US Price) / ₹1675 / \$25.99 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>06/15/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>07/21/2026</b>	



### Title Notes

**Sales Handle:** UNNAMED BONES, Bram Stoker Award-winning author Lora Senf's commercial, fast-paced YA with crossover appeal, is filled with cosmic horror and existential dread as four teens fight for survival on an impossible island against a creature who might spell the end of the world for fans of Kate Alice Marshall and Claire Legrand.

**Book Description:** Reckless, depressed, impulsive and sixteen, Harrow Lane is going to an island that shouldn't exist to look for answers about the death of her father—the father who accidentally cursed her shortly after she was born. Things immediately go very wrong—beginning with the sinking of the boat that brought them to the island and an ominous chuckle from something that shouldn't be there—and keep getting worse in ways they couldn't possibly imagine. Harrow and friends came without being invited and whatever lives there doesn't like visitors.

With no way to reach the outside world and no understanding of the rules of the island, Harrow and her friends are in mortal danger, and knowing who can and can't be trusted is a thing they left back on shore. Matters are only complicated by Harrow's emotions—she's given her biggest feelings human faces and personalities and does her best to keep them locked away in a seedy motel she built in her mind. But emotions are sneaky, and she's having to face them at the worst possible time. It's creating sort of an "Inside Out in hell" situation as they fight for survival against a creature that seems to be made entirely of terror and who very well might spell the end of the world.

### Key Selling Points

- **AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR:** Lora's awards and nominations include Junior Library Guild, Cybils Award finalist, Imadjinn Award finalist, Norton Nebula suggested reading list, NYPL's Best Books for Kids in 2022, Esquire's 22 Best Horror Books of 2022, Bram Stoker Award finalist for *The Clackity*, Bram Stoker Award winner for *The Nighthouse Keeper*, Bank Street Books Best of list for 2023, Bram Stoker Award finalist for *The Losting Fountain*.
- **HOUSE AUTHOR:** Lora Senf's debut YA, *The Losting Fountain* was published in December 2024 by UNSQ and has garnered a wealth of positive reviews and an award nomination. Lora is someone we can grow, and middle grade fans of her Blight Harbor series will be excited to read more from her as they grow up.
- **SHORT AND FAST PACED:** This commercial horror novel is short and fast-paced, perfect for fans of high intensity reads.

### Author Info

Author Residence	Spokane, WA	Local Bookstore	
About The Author	Lora Senf is a writer of dark and twisty stories for all ages. She is the author of <i>The Clackity</i> , Bram Stoker Award winner <i>The Nighthouse Keeper</i> , <i>The Loneliest Place</i> , and Bram Stoker Award finalist <i>The Losting Fountain</i> . Visit her at <a href="http://LoraSenf.com">LoraSenf.com</a>		
Author Links	(Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)		

### Praise

*Unnamed Bones* is an unrelenting nightmare that will mess with your head as much as it messes with Harrow and her friends (or frenemies...). I was legit freaked out at times (I hereby promise to never explore any creepy islands), but I couldn't stop turning the pages. — Paul Tremblay, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Another* and *Horror Movie*

# The Pigeon and Pals Costume Party Coloring Book

By (author)	Mo Willems Workshop		
Format/Sub-format	Trade Paperback	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9781454967026 / 1454967021	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	125,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	8 1/2 x 10 7/8 / 48 / 50	Age Range	4-8
Team	Eric Geron (Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats	Trade Paperback		
Photos / Illustrations	all in color		
Selling Territory	A/NZ, US & Canada + United Kingdom Exclusive \ Middle East, Singapore & Malaysia + Albania, Andorra, Austria and others Non-Exclusive \ Excluding Africa, Caribbean, British West Indies, Latin & South America, Central America + Aland Islands, American Samo		
BISAC Category	<b>(Juv) Juvenile Fiction</b> / (JUV054010) Activity Books / Coloring, <b>(Juv) Juvenile Fiction</b> / (JUV017030) Holidays & Celebrations / Halloween, <b>(Juv) Juvenile Fiction</b> / (JUV054000) Activity Books / General		
Pricing	\$9.99 (US Price) / ₹799 / \$12.99 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>06/15/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>07/21/2026</b>	



## Title Notes

**Sales Handle:** From Mo Willems Workshop, join The Pigeon and all your favorite Mo Willems characters in this super-fun Halloween coloring book!

**Book Description:** Get ready for the most fang-tastic dress-up party of the year! The Pigeon is hosting and the best of the best monsters and pals are all on the guest list. Color Elephant & Piggie, Leonardo the Terrible Monster, Busy Creature, Zip, Zap, and Zoom Squirrel, and more! This ensemble coloring book from Mo Willems Workshop is packed with characters, costumes, and dress-up surprises galore!

## Key Selling Points

- **TARGET CONSUMER:** Perfect for children ages 5 to 8 who are fans of coloring, Halloween, and books by Mo Willems; for young readers looking for a fun and creative narrative-driven coloring book.
- **PROVEN FORMAT:** This coloring book builds on the popularity of previous Mo Willems coloring and activity titles, such as *Don't Let the Pigeon Color This Book!* and *We Are in an ACT-ivity Book!* It is packed with humorous dialogue and super-fun coloring pages.
- **TOP TALENT:** Award-winning, bestselling author and illustrator Mo Willems has published over 70 books for children, including 50 *New York Times* best sellers, with more than 31 million books sold in North America alone. His live-action comedy special, *Mo Willems and the Storytime All-Stars Present: Don't Let the Pigeon Do Storytime!*, premiered on HBO Max. His CGI rock opera special, *Naked Mole Rat Gets Dressed: The Underground Rock Experience*, debuted on HBO Max in June 2022. In 2023, Willems founded Hidden Pigeon Company with Stampede Ventures and RedBird Capital Partners.

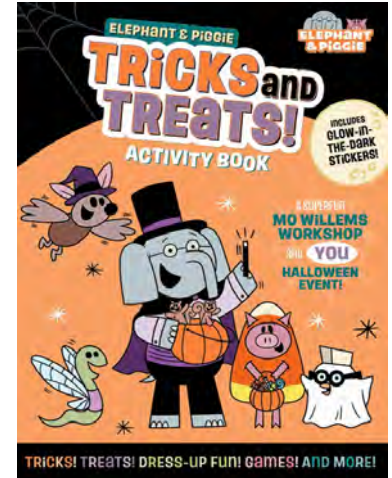
## Author Info

Author Residence	Licensors: Los Angeles, CA	Local Bookstore
About The Author	<p><b>Mo Willems Workshop</b> is an exciting publishing program featuring fresh content based on Mo Willems' characters and brands, including Elephant &amp; Piggie and The Pigeon, to inspire creativity and spark serious silliness. Mo Willems Workshop is a part of Hidden Pigeon Company, the multiplatform kids and family content company founded by Mo Willems, Stampede Ventures, and RedBird Capital Partners. Mo Willems is a number-one <i>New York Times</i> bestselling author and illustrator. He has been awarded three Caldecott Honors and one Eisner Award for his picture books, and two Theodor Seuss Geisel Medals and five Geisel Honors for his celebrated ELEPHANT &amp; PIGGIE early readers.</p>	
Author Links	(Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)	

## Marketing & Publicity Plans

# Elephant & Piggie: Tricks and Treats!

Subtitle	An Elephant & Piggie Activity Book		
Series / Series #	Elephant & Piggie		
By (author)	Mo Willems Workshop		
Format/Sub-format	Trade Paperback	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9781454967040 / 1454967048	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	150,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	8 1/2 x 10 7/8 / 80 / 32	Age Range	4-8
Team	Eric Geron (Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats	Trade Paperback		
Photos / Illustrations	full-color book + 2 sticker sheets		
Selling Territory	A/NZ, US & Canada + United Kingdom Exclusive \ Middle East, Singapore & Malaysia + Albania, Andorra, Austria and others Non-Exclusive \ Excluding Africa, Carribean, British West Indies, Latin & South America, Central America + Aland Islands, American Samo		
BISAC Category	(Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV054020) Activity Books / Sticker, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV017030) Holidays & Celebrations / Halloween, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV054010) Activity Books / Coloring, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV002160) Animals / Mammals		
Pricing	\$12.99 (US Price) / ₹999/ \$16.99 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>06/15/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>07/21/2026</b>	



## Title Notes

### Sales Handle:

**Book Description:** Help best friends Elephant Gerald and Piggie get dressed up in their Halloween best! Then join them as they visit each pal, who has a trick OR a treat awaiting! Get ready for tricky puzzles and tricky games, plus sweet crafts and activities to make and play! From color-in costumes, punchout props, and festive crafts to twisty mazes, laugh-out-loud puzzles, and super-fun games, there is an adventure around every corner! This frightfully fun activity book includes glow-in-the-dark stickers!

## Key Selling Points

- **TARGET CONSUMER:** Perfect for children ages 5 to 8 who are fans of Elephant and Piggie, and books by Mo Willems; for young readers looking for a fun and creative narrative-driven Halloween activity book.
- **UNIVERSAL APPEAL:** This seasonal Halloween activity book starring Elephant & Piggie and other Mo Willems pals also has year-round dress-up play appeal.
- **PROVEN FORMAT:** This activity book builds on the popularity of previous Mo Willems coloring & activity titles, such as *Don't Let The Pigeon Color This Book!* and *We Are in an ACT-ivity Book!* It is packed with humorous dialogue, surprising activities, creativity sparks, plus 2 pages of glow-in-the-dark stickers.

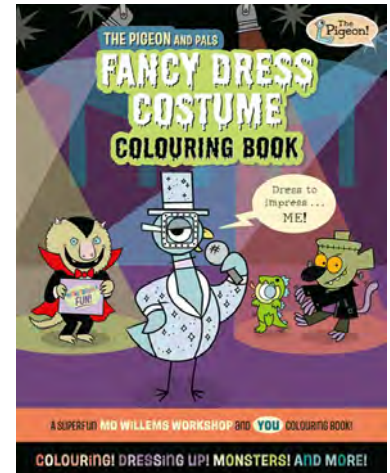
## Author Info

Author Residence	Licensors: Los Angeles, CA	Local Bookstore
About The Author	<p><b>Mo Willems Workshop</b> is an exciting publishing program featuring fresh content based on Mo Willems' characters and brands, including Elephant &amp; Piggie and The Pigeon, to inspire creativity and spark serious silliness. Mo Willems Workshop is a part of Hidden Pigeon Company, the multiplatform kids and family content company founded by Mo Willems, Stampede Ventures, and RedBird Capital Partners. Mo Willems is a number-one <i>New York Times</i> bestselling author and illustrator. He has been awarded three Caldecott Honors and one Eisner Award for his picture books, and two Theodor Seuss Geisel Medals and five Geisel Honors for his celebrated ELEPHANT &amp; PIGGIE early readers.</p>	
Author Links	(Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)	

## Marketing & Publicity Plans

# The Pigeon and Pals Fancy Dress Costume Colouring Book

By (author)	Mo Willems Workshop		
Format/Sub-format	Trade Paperback	Edition	International, UK Edition
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9781454967033 / 145496703X	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print		1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	216 x 276 / 48 / 50	Age Range	4-8
Team	Eric Geron (Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats	Trade Paperback		
Photos / Illustrations	all in colour		
Selling Territory	A/NZ, US & Canada + United Kingdom Exclusive \ Middle East, Singapore & Malaysia + Albania, Andorra, Austria and others Non-Exclusive \ Excluding Africa, Caribbean, British West Indies, Latin & South America, Central America + Aland Islands, American Samo		
BISAC Category	<b>(Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV054010) Activity Books / Coloring, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV017030) Holidays &amp; Celebrations / Halloween, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV054000) Activity Books / General</b>		
Pricing	\$9.99 (US Price) / ₹799		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date:	Pub Date:	<b>07/23/2026</b>



## Title Notes

**Sales Handle:** Join all your favorite Mo Willems characters in this super-fun Halloween coloring book, from Mo Willems Workshop!

**Book Description:** Get ready for monstrously fun coloring with your favorite Mo Willems characters!

Join The Pigeon, Elephant & Piggie, Leonardo, Busy Creature, Unlimited Squirrels, Knuffle Bunny, and more in this ensemble coloring book from Mo Willems Workshop, packed with characters, costumes, and other dress-up surprises!

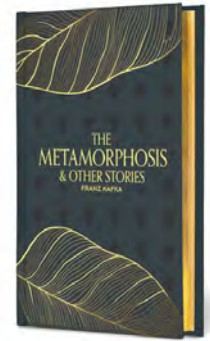
## Key Selling Points

- **TARGET CONSUMER:** Perfect for children ages 5 to 8 who are fans of coloring, Halloween, and books by Mo Willems; for young readers looking for a fun and creative narrative-driven coloring and activity book.
- **PROVEN FORMAT:** This coloring book builds on the popularity of previous Mo Willems coloring and activity titles, such as *Don't Let the Pigeon Color This Book!* and *We Are in an ACT-ivity Book!* It is packed with humorous dialogue, surprising activities, and super-fun games and puzzles.
- **TOP TALENT:** Award-winning, bestselling author and illustrator Mo Willems has published over 70 books for children, including 50 *New York Times* best sellers, with more than 31 million books sold in North America alone. His live-action comedy special, *Mo Willems and the Storytime All-Stars Present: Don't Let the Pigeon Do Storytime!*, premiered on HBO Max. His CGI rock opera special, *Naked Mole Rat Gets Dressed: The Underground Rock Experience*, debuted on HBO Max in June 2022. In 2023, Willems founded Hidden Pigeon Company with Stampede Ventures and RedBird Capital Partners.

## Author Info

Author Residence	Licensor: Los Angeles, CA	Local Bookstore	
About The Author	<p><b>Mo Willems Workshop</b> is an exciting publishing program featuring fresh content based on Mo Willems' characters and brands, including Elephant &amp; Piggie and The Pigeon, to inspire creativity and spark serious silliness. Mo Willems Workshop is a part of Hidden Pigeon Company, the multiplatform kids and family content company founded by Mo Willems, Stampede Ventures, and RedBird Capital Partners. Mo Willems is a number-one <i>New York Times</i> bestselling author and illustrator. He has been awarded three Caldecott Honors and one Eisner Award for his picture books, and two Theodor Seuss Geisel Medals and five Geisel Honors for his celebrated ELEPHANT &amp; PIGGIE early readers.</p>		
Author Links	(Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)		

# The Metamorphosis & Other Stories



Series / Series #	Signature Gilded Editions		
By (author)	Kafka , Franz		
Format/Sub-format	Hardcover Book / Paper over Board	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9781454966005 / 1454966009	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	20,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	4 3/4 x 7 (T) / 224 / 44	Age Range	
Team	Michael Coulter (Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats			
Selling Territory	World Exclusive		
BISAC Category	(Fic) Fiction / (FIC004000) Classics, (Fic) Fiction / (FIC064000) Absurdist, (Fic) Fiction / (FIC019000) Literary		
Pricing	\$24.00 (US Price) / ₹2040 / \$32.00 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>06/29/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>08/04/2026</b>	

## Title Notes

**Sales Handle:** Franz Kafka’s bizarrely comedic meditation on human feelings of inadequacy, guilt, and isolation expressed through the story of a man who is transformed overnight into a giant beetle, now in a beautiful gift edition for the Union Square & Co. Signature Gilded Classics line.

**Book Description:** Only yesterday, Gregor Samsa was a meek salesman, browbeaten by his unappreciative employer and depended on fiercely by his ungrateful family. This morning, Gregor awakens to discover that, overnight, he has been transformed into a monstrous insect. First published in 1915, Kafka’s best-known tale has inspired numerous interpretations for more than a century and helped to establish the term “Kafkaesque” as a reference to a bizarre and nightmarish experience. This collection of his short fiction, in a new translation, includes more than thirty of his short stories and sketches, including “In the Penal Colony,” “The Stoker,” “The Judgment,” “A Country Doctor,” “A Hunger Artist,” and more.

## Key Selling Points

- **TARGET AUDIENCE:** For fans of contemporary absurdist fiction like Haruki Murakami’s *The City and Its Uncertain Walls* and readers of other classics of absurdism like *The Stranger* by Albert Camus and *Notes from Underground* by Fyodor Dostoevsky.
- **A COLLECTIBLE EDITION:** Featuring gold gilded edges, a silk ribbon, foil stamping on the cover, perfect as a gift or a keepsake.
- **ICONIC TEXTS:** The Signature Gilded Editions series includes the best-known works of the literary canon and champions a diverse vision of classic literature.

## Author Info

Author Residence	Franz Kafka was born in Prague, Austria-Hungary, and died in Klosterneuburg, Austria.	Local Bookstore	
About The Author	<b>Franz Kafka</b> (1883–1924) was one of the major fiction writers of the 20th century. He was born to a middle-class, German-speaking Jewish family in Prague, Bohemia (presently the Czech Republic). His unique body of writing—much of which is incomplete and was mainly published posthumously—is considered to be among the most influential in Western literature.		
Author Links	(Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)		

## Author History

## Comps

**12/23 — Great Gatsby (Special Edition)** — F. Scott Fitzgerald (9781454952909, HC, Union Square & Co., \$20.00, 152 pgs) ·30,710 (Gross), 30,584 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason:

# Carmilla

Series / Series #	Signature Editions		
By (author)	Sheridan Le Fanu, J.		
Format/Sub-format	Trade Paperback	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9781454967514 / 145496751X	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print		1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	5 1/4 x 8 / 240 / 8	Age Range	
Team	Mika Kasuga (Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats	Electronic Book		
Selling Territory	World Exclusive		
BISAC Category	(Fic) Fiction / (FIC004000) Classics, (Fic) Fiction / (FIC015000) Horror / General, (Fic) Fiction / (FIC027040) Gothic		
Pricing	\$9.99 (US Price) / ₹790 / \$12.99 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>06/29/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>08/04/2026</b>	



## Title Notes

**Sales Handle:** J. Sheridan Le Fanu's queer Gothic pre-Dracula vampire tale, now repackaged for Union Square and Co.'s Signature Editions series.

**Book Description:** In an isolated castle deep in the Austrian forest, Laura leads a solitary life with only her ailing father for company. Until one moonlit night, a horse-drawn carriage crashes into view, carrying an unexpected guest – the beautiful Carmilla. So begins a feverish friendship between Laura and her mysterious, entrancing companion.

But as Carmilla becomes increasingly strange and volatile, prone to eerie nocturnal wanderings, Laura finds herself tormented by nightmares and growing weaker by the day... Pre-dating Dracula by twenty-six years, Carmilla is the original vampire story, steeped in sexual tension and gothic romance.

## Key Selling Points

- **TARGET CONSUMER:** For fans of Bram Stoker's *Dracula* and contemporary vampire titles such as S. T. Gibson's *A Dowry of Blood* (56,648 RTD) and Kat Dunn's *Hungerstone* (11,538 RTD).
- **THE ORIGINAL VAMPIRE STORY:** Pre-dating Bram Stoker's *Dracula* by twenty-six years, *Carmilla* is the original Gothic vampire tale replete with sexual sexual tension and queer desire.
- **A COLLECTIBLE EDITION:** Designed to appeal to readers who want to pick up individual volumes as well as those who want to acquire the entire series.

## Author Info

Author Residence	Joseph Thomas Sheridan Le Fanu was born and died in Dublin, Ireland.	Local Bookstore	
About The Author	<b>Joseph Thomas Sheridan Le Fanu</b> (1814-1873) was an Irish writer of Gothic tales and mystery novels. He was the leading ghost-story writer of the nineteenth century and was central to the development of the genre in the Victorian era.		
Author Links	(Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)		

## Author History

# The Wonderful Wizard of Oz

Series / Series #	Signature Gilded Editions		
By (author)	Baum , L. Frank		
Format/Sub-format	Hardcover Book / Paper over Board	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9781454966067 / 1454966068	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	20,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	4 3/4 x 7 (T) / 160 / 52	Age Range	
Team	Michael Coulter (Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats			
Selling Territory	World Exclusive		
BISAC Category	(Fic) Fiction / (FIC004000) Classics, (Fic) Fiction / (FIC009000) Fantasy / General, (Fic) Fiction / (FIC019000) Literary		
Pricing	\$24.00 (US Price) / ₹2050 / \$32.00 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>06/29/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>08/04/2026</b>	



## Title Notes

**Sales Handle:** L. Frank Baum's fantastical tale of a young girl named Dorothy and her adventures in the magical land of Oz, now in a beautiful gift edition for the Union Square & Co. Signature Gilded Classics line.

**Book Description:** Dorothy and her little dog, Toto, are swept away from their home in Kansas by a powerful tornado and dropped into an enchanting new land called Oz. To get home, the Witch of the North tells Dorothy she must follow the yellow brick road to the Emerald City and ask the mysterious Wizard of Oz for help. Along the way, she meets the Scarecrow, the Tin Woodman, and the Cowardly Lion, and together they embark on a strange and magical adventure.

## Key Selling Points

- **TARGET AUDIENCE:** For fans of modern retellings like Gregory Maguire's *Wicked*, as well as other children's classics like *Alice in Wonderland* by Lewis Carroll.
- **A COLLECTIBLE EDITION:** Featuring gold gilded edges, a silk ribbon, foil stamping on the cover, perfect as a gift or a keepsake.
- **ICONIC TEXTS:** The Signature Gilded Editions series includes the best-known works of the literary canon and champions a diverse vision of classic literature.

## Author Info

Author Residence	L. Frank Baum was born in Chittenango, New York, and died in Los Angeles, California.	Local Bookstore	
About The Author	L. Frank Baum (1856–1919) was an American author born in Chittenango, New York. At fifteen, Baum's father bought him a small printing press, on which he and his brother produced their own newspaper, <i>The Rose Lawn Home Journal</i> . By his late teens, Baum had developed an interest in theater and was made the manager of his father's opera houses. Throughout his career, Baum wrote more than eighty novels for children. He is best known for <i>The Wonderful Wizard of Oz</i> and its many sequels.		
Author Links	(Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)		

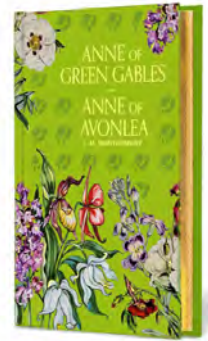
## Author History

## Comps

**12/23 — Little Women (Special Edition)** — Louisa M Alcott (9781454952923, HC, Union Square & Co., \$20.00, 536 pgs) :54,720 (Gross), 54,590 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason:

## Anne of Green Gables & Anne of Avonlea

Series / Series #	Signature Gilded Editions		
By (author)	Montgomery, L.M.		
Format/Sub-format	Hardcover Book / Paper over Board	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9781454965978 / 1454965975	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	20,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	4 3/4 x 7 / 576 / 20	Age Range	
Team	Michael Coulter (Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats			
Selling Territory	World Exclusive		
BISAC Category	(Fic) Fiction / (FIC004000) Classics, (Fic) Fiction / (FIC043000) Coming of Age, (Fic) Fiction / (FIC066000) Small Town & Rural		
Pricing	\$24.00 (US Price) / ₹2050 / \$32.00 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>06/29/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>08/04/2026</b>	



### Title Notes

**Sales Handle:** A collected edition of the first two volumes of Lucy Maud Montgomery's highly influential "Anne" books, now in a beautiful gift edition for the Union Square & Co. Signature Gilded Classics line.

**Book Description:** Follow the exciting adventures of spunky heroine Anne Shirley in the first two volumes of the iconic "Anne" series. First, the impetuous, red-haired orphan meets and must win the love of her foster parents at their scenic farmhouse, Green Gables. Her adventures continue as she becomes the new schoolmistress in Avonlea, where she finds new challenges and true love.

### Key Selling Points

- **TARGET AUDIENCE:** For fans of modern-day retellings like Ivy Noelle Weir's *Anne of West Philly*; For readers of other coming-of-age classics like Frances Hodgson Burnett's *The Secret Garden* and Joanna Spyri's *Heidi*.
- **A COLLECTIBLE EDITION:** Featuring gold gilded edges, a silk ribbon, foil stamping on the cover, perfect as a gift or a keepsake.
- **ICONIC TEXTS:** The Signature Gilded Editions series includes the best-known works of the literary canon and champions a diverse vision of classic literature.

### Author Info

Author Residence	Lucy Maud Montgomery was born in Prince Edward Island, Canada, and died in Toronto, Ontario.	Local Bookstore	
About The Author	<b>Lucy Maud Montgomery</b> (1874–1942) was born on Prince Edward Island, Canada. She left to attend college, but later returned to teach and write stories set on her home island. <i>Anne of Green Gables</i> , the first in a series of "Anne" books by Montgomery, was published in 1908 to immediate success and continues to be a perennial favorite.		
Author Links	(Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)		

### Author History

### Comps

**12/23 — Little Women (Special Edition)** — Louisa M Alcott (9781454952923, HC, Union Square & Co., \$20.00, 536 pgs) ·54,720 (Gross), 54,590 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason:

# The Prince

Subtitle	and The Art of War		
Series / Series #	Signature Gilded Editions		
By (author)	Machiavelli , Niccolò		
Format/Sub-format	Hardcover Book / Paper over Board	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9781454966036 / 1454966033	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	20,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	4 3/4 x 7 (T) / 304 / 36	Age Range	
Team	Michael Coulter (Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats			
Selling Territory	World Exclusive		
BISAC Category	<b>(Fic) Fiction</b> / (FIC004000) Classics, <b>(Phi) Philosophy</b> / (PHI005000) Ethics & Moral Philosophy, <b>(His) History</b> / (HIS000000) General		
Pricing	\$24.00 (US Price) / ₹2050 / \$32.00 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>06/29/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>08/04/2026</b>	



## Title Notes

**Sales Handle:** Machiavelli's classic works of political philosophy, now in a beautiful gift edition for the Union Square & Co. Signature Gilded Classics line.

**Book Description:** Niccolò Machiavelli's 16th-century political treatise has been controversial and influential for centuries. Written as a guide for new princes and royals, Machiavelli provides a candid and unflinching assessment of the realities of power and politics. *The Prince* is often considered one of the first works of modern political philosophy. This edition also includes Machiavelli's *The Art of War*, a work of political theory that examines the role of the military in the lives of everyday citizens.

## Key Selling Points

- **TARGET AUDIENCE:** Readers of Robert Greene's *48 Laws of Power* and Donald J. Robertson's *How to Think Like a Roman Emperor*.
- **A COLLECTIBLE EDITION:** Featuring gold gilded edges, a silk ribbon, foil stamping on the cover, perfect as a gift or a keepsake.
- **ICONIC TEXTS:** The Signature Gilded Editions series includes the best-known works of the literary canon and champions a diverse vision of classic literature.

## Author Info

Author Residence	Niccolò Machiavelli was born and died in Florence, Republic of Florence.	Local Bookstore	
About The Author	<b>Niccolò di Bernardo dei Machiavelli</b> (1469–1527) was an author, philosopher, diplomat, and historian who lived during the Italian Renaissance. He is chiefly known for his political treatise <i>The Prince</i> , written around 1513. He is often considered the father of modern political philosophy and political science.		
Author Links	(Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)		

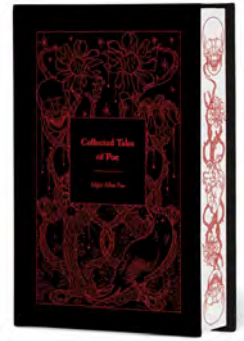
## Author History

## Comps

**12/23 — Picture of Dorian Gray (Special Edition)** — Oscar Wilde (9781454952947, HC, Union Square & Co., \$20.00, 224 pgs) :25,353 (Gross), 25,196 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason:

## Collected Tales of Poe

Series / Series #	Signature Clothbound Editions		
By (author)	Poe , Edgar Allan		
Format/Sub-format	Hardcover Book / Paper over Board	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9781454965824 / 1454965827	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	20,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	5 x 7 3/4 / 672 / 20	Age Range	
Team	Michael Coulter (Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats			
Selling Territory	World Exclusive		
BISAC Category	(Fic) Fiction / (FIC004000) Classics, (Fic) Fiction / (FIC029000) Short Stories (single author), (Fic) Fiction / (FIC015000) Horror / General		
Pricing	\$24.00 (US Price) / ₹2050 / \$32.00 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>07/06/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>08/11/2026</b>	



### Title Notes

**Sales Handle:** A comprehensive collection of the mysteries, dread figures, poetry, and horror stories of Edgar Allan Poe, now in a beautiful gift edition for the Union Square & Co. Signature Clothbound Editions line.

**Book Description:** Featured in these pages are Edgar Allan Poe's best-loved and most-feared literary creations: the clever C. August Dupin, precursor to Sherlock Holmes; the terrifying ghouls of "Tales of the Grotesque" and "Arabesque"; as well as the tragic sensibilities of "The Raven and Other Poems." This is an essential treasury for Poe novices and experts alike.

### Key Selling Points

- **TARGET AUDIENCE:** For fans of Stephen King's *You Like It Darker* and classic works of horror like *Frankenstein* by Mary Shelley.
- **A COLLECTIBLE EDITION:** These eye-catching designs feature vibrant cloth covers with intricate, color-coordinated patterned edges, and a silk ribbon, perfect as a gift or keepsake.
- **ICONIC TEXTS:** The Signature Clothbound Editions series includes the best-known works of the literary canon and champions a diverse vision of classic literature.

### Author Info

Author Residence	Edgar Allan Poe was born in Boston, Massachusetts, and died in Baltimore, Maryland.	Local Bookstore	
About The Author	<b>Edgar Allan Poe</b> (1809–1849) was a self-destructive but brilliant writer whose supernatural works formatively shaped the horror and speculative genres. He was also one of the first writers of detective fiction as well as a formidable literary critic.		
Author Links	(Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)		

### Author History

### Comps

**11/24 — Dracula** — Bram Stoker (9781454957003, HC, Union Square & Co., \$20.00, 456 pgs)  
 :30,174 (Gross), 30,132 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason:

# The Great Gatsby & This Side of Paradise



Series / Series #	Signature Clothbound Editions		
By (author)	Fitzgerald , F. Scott		
Format/Sub-format	Hardcover Book / Paper over Board	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9781454965831 / 1454965835	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	20,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	5 x 7 3/4 / 432 / 16	Age Range	
Team	Michael Coulter (Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats			
Selling Territory	World Exclusive		
BISAC Category	(Fic) Fiction / (FIC004000) Classics, (Fic) Fiction / (FIC014080) Historical / 20th Century / General, (Fic) Fiction / (FIC027000) Romance / General		
Pricing	\$24.00 (US Price) / ₹2050 / \$32.00 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>07/06/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>08/11/2026</b>	

## Title Notes

**Sales Handle:** A collected edition of two classic texts by Fitzgerald that explore love, greed, and the American Dream, now in a beautiful gift edition for the Union Square & Co. Signature Clothbound Editions line.

**Book Description:** *The Great Gatsby* is not only Fitzgerald's greatest work—to many, it is the Great American Novel. When Nick Carraway moves to West Egg, Long Island, he has no idea that the lavishly outfitted mansion next to his modest house is home to Jay Gatsby. Eventually, Nick becomes aware of Gatsby's intense interest in his cousin Daisy Buchanan, and when Daisy's brutish husband, Tom, probes into Gatsby's background, he uncovers unsavory truths about his rival's wealth. This edition also includes *This Side of Paradise*, an autobiographical novel and a portrait of the dawning Jazz Age that launched Fitzgerald's career and turned him into an overnight literary sensation.

## Key Selling Points

- **TARGET AUDIENCE:** For fans of modern-day retellings like Jillian Cantor's *Beautiful Little Fools* and readers of other classic explorations of wealth and social class like *The Age of Innocence* by Edith Wharton.
- **A COLLECTIBLE EDITION:** These eye-catching designs feature vibrant cloth covers with intricate, color-coordinated patterned edges, and a silk ribbon, perfect as a gift or keepsake.
- **ICONIC TEXTS:** The Signature Clothbound Editions series includes the best-known works of the literary canon and champions a diverse vision of classic literature.

## Author Info

Author Residence	F. Scott Fitzgerald was born in Saint Paul, Minnesota, and died in Los Angeles, California.	Local Bookstore	
About The Author	<b>F. Scott Fitzgerald</b> (1896–1940) was a celebrated author of novels and short stories whose work is synonymous with the Jazz Age and the Roaring Twenties of the early twentieth century. He is regarded as one of the greatest twentieth-century writers. Fitzgerald was of the self-styled “Lost Generation,” Americans born in the 1890s who came of age during World War I. He finished four novels, left a fifth unfinished, and wrote dozens of short stories that treat themes of youth, despair, and age.		
Author Links	(Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)		

## Author History

## Comps

**11/24 — Tale of Two Cities** — Charles Dickens (9781454957546, HC, Union Square & Co., \$24.00, 424 pgs)  
 ·12,478 (Gross), 12,410 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**11/24 — Beautiful and Damned** — F. Scott Fitzgerald (9781454957515, HC, Union Square & Co., \$20.00, 384 pgs)  
 ·8,637 (Gross), 8,543 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

## This Is Not a Carrot

By (author)	Hewitt, Dylan		
Format/Sub-format	Hardcover Book / Picture Book	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9781454713401 / 1454713402	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	20,000	1st Serial / Bridges	Yes / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	10 5/8 x 8 1/4 / 40 / 30	Age Range	4-6
Team	Leilani Sparrow (Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats			
Photos / Illustrations	all in color		
Selling Territory	World Exclusive		
BISAC Category	(Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV002210) Animals / Rabbits, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV003000) Art		
Pricing	\$18.99 (US Price) / ₹1570 / \$24.99 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>07/06/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>08/11/2026</b>	



### Title Notes

**Sales Handle:** Follow one bunny's search for a real carrot in this charming, funny picture book, with a side of existentialism, loosely based on René Magritte's painting *The Treachery of Images*, also known as *This is Not a Pipe!*

**Book Description:** Hungry Bunny is overjoyed with they find a carrot on the first page. But when Bunny bites into it, they realize that the carrot is made of paper and can't be eaten. The second carrot does not calm Bunny's rumbling stomach either, as the black-and-white drawing can simply be erased. When the third carrot proves inedible, Bunny is at their wits' end. That's until Bunny realizes that Bunny isn't real either, so there's no need for a real carrot!

**This hilarious and thought-provoking picture book challenges the relationship between images, words, and reality, encouraging discussion.**

### Key Selling Points

- **PLAYS WITH FORM:** just when Bunny thinks they've found the perfect snack it turns out it's just a pencil drawing that can be erased! This innovative picture book plays with form and will have young readers engaged from the first page.
- **TEACHES THE IMPORTANCE OF PERSPECTIVE:** Bunny has a slightly existential realization that they are not real and so they don't need to eat real carrots, but the overall message, that changing your perspective can be the key to happiness, is an important one for young readers to learn. Explored with lots of humor and color, caregivers may use this as a lighthearted tool to teach children about the impact that their perspective and mindset has when trying to overcome a problem.
- **BOLD, GRAPHIC ART:** the bold and contemporary art uses a limited color palette which stands out from other titles.

**INTRODUCTION TO ART AND SURREALISM:** loosely based on René Magritte and his painting: *The Treachery of Images* (also known as *This is not a Pipe*), this is a fun look at surrealism and could be used in schools for teaching about art—nothing is what it seems.

### Author Info

Author Residence	London, UK.	Local Bookstore
About The Author	Dylan Hewitt was born and raised in London, England, where he still lives today. He studied for his BA degree in graphic design at Central St Martins, one of Britain's most prestigious art schools. From here, he dived into a life of art direction in the advertising world developing campaigns in every media. Behind closed doors, he is busy creating children's books.	
Author Links	(Author Website), <a href="#">@dylan_hewitt</a> (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)	

### Author History

**05/22** — *Giant Giant: a Picture Book* — Dylan Hewitt (9781990252082, , Abrams, \$18.99, 74 pgs)

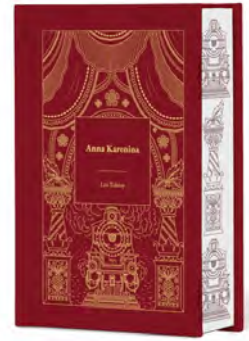
·119 (Gross), HBG (Source) — Reason: Previous book by author

**02/20** — *The Kingdom of Nothing* — Ronald Wohlman (9780711245266, , Quarto, \$18.99, 0 pgs)

·166 (Gross), HBG (Source) — Reason: Previous book by illustrator

# Anna Karenina

Series / Series #	Signature Clothbound Editions		
By (author)	Tolstoy, Leo		
Format/Sub-format	Hardcover Book / Paper over Board	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9781454965817 / 1454965819	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	20,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	5 x 7 3/4 / 992 / 10	Age Range	
Team	Michael Coulter (Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats			
Selling Territory	World Exclusive		
BISAC Category	<b>(Fic) Fiction</b> / (FIC004000) Classics, <b>(Fic) Fiction</b> / (FIC019000) Literary, <b>(Fic) Fiction</b> / (FIC120010) World Literature / Russia / 19th Century		
Pricing	\$28.00 (US Price) / ₹2380 / \$37.00 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>07/06/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>08/11/2026</b>	



## Title Notes

**Sales Handle:** Leo Tolstoy's classic of Russian literature in its first—and still, arguably, the best—translation by Constance Garnett, now in a beautiful gift edition for the Union Square & Co. Signature Clothbound Editions line.

**Book Description:** Anna Karenina is the wife of a well-respected government official. When she travels to St. Petersburg to reconcile her brother and his wife, she meets Count Vronsky and the course of her life is transformed. Widely adapted into theater, ballet, radio, television, and movie adaptations.

## Key Selling Points

- **TARGET AUDIENCE:** For fans of modern-day novels with complex female characters like Elena Ferrante's Neapolitan Novels and *The Lying Life of Adults*, as well as classics like Leo Tolstoy's other masterwork, *War and Peace*.
- **A COLLECTIBLE EDITION:** These eye-catching designs feature vibrant cloth covers with intricate, color-coordinated patterned edges, and a silk ribbon, perfect as a gift or keepsake.
- **ICONIC TEXTS:** The Signature Clothbound Editions series includes the best-known works of the literary canon and champions a diverse vision of classic literature.

## Author Info

Author Residence	Leo Tolstoy was born in Yasnaya Polyana, Tula Oblast, Russia, and died in Astapovo, Russia.	Local Bookstore	
About The Author	<b>Count Leo Tolstoy</b> (1828-1910) was born to a noble Russian family and produced some of the most outstanding works of realist fiction, including <i>Anna Karenina</i> , <i>War and Peace</i> , and <i>The Death of Ivan Ilyich</i> . Tolstoy was also an advocate of democratic education, Christian anarchism, pacifism, and vegetarianism.		
Author Links	(Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)		

## Author History

## Comps

**11/24 — Jane Eyre** — Charlotte Brontë (9781454957027, HC, Union Square & Co., \$20.00, 536 pgs)  
 ·19,684 (Gross), 19,619 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason:

**09/14 — Anna Karenina** — Leo Tolstoy (9780141199610, HC, Penguin, \$30.00, 0 pgs)  
 ·35,840 (Gross), Bookscan (Source) — Reason:

## Where's Knuffle Bunny?

Subtitle	An A-to-Z Search-and-Find Book		
By (author)	Mo Willems Workshop		
Format/Sub-format	Trade Paperback	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9781454999669 / 1454999667	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	150,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	8 1/2 x 10 7/8 / 48 / 24	Age Range	5-8
Team	Tracey Keevan (Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats	Trade Paperback		
Photos / Illustrations	all in color, plus 4/4 glossy cardstock pop-out Knuffle Bunny		
Selling Territory	A/NZ, US & Canada + United Kingdom Exclusive \ Middle East, Singapore & Malaysia + Albania, Andorra, Austria and others Non-Exclusive \ Excluding Africa, Carribean, British West Indies, Latin & South America, Central America + Aland Islands, American Samo		
BISAC Category	<b>(Jnf) Juvenile Nonfiction</b> / (JNF001010) Activity Books / Coloring, <b>(Jnf) Juvenile Nonfiction</b> / (JNF026020) Holidays & Celebrations / Easter & Lent, <b>(Jnf) Juvenile Nonfiction</b> / (JNF003180) Animals / Rabbits		
Pricing	\$9.99 (US Price) / ₹799 / \$12.99 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>07/13/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>08/18/2026</b>	



### Title Notes

**Sales Handle:** Get ready to search for Knuffle Bunny in this hidden picture storybook from Mo Willems Workshop.

**Book Description:** Mo Willems Workshop presents an alphabet search-and-find adventure starring Trixie, Knuffle Bunny and her family, from Mo Willems' Caldecott Honor Knuffle Bunny picture book series.

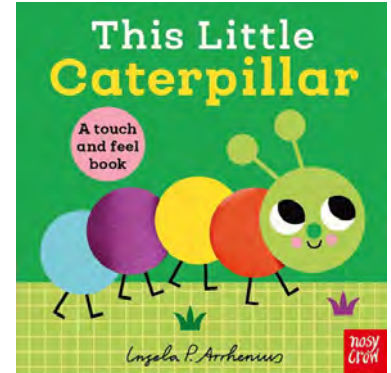
Not so long ago, Trixie, Knuffle Bunny, and her mommy and daddy had an alphabet adventure day! Together they searched the sidewalk, the park, the botanic garden, the subway, the fire station, the carousel, the pizza parlor and more looking for objects from A to Z. Join Trixie and Knuffle Bunny on their fun-filled day exploring 20 exciting neighborhood scenes with over 225 hidden objects to discover! Plus, get a pop-out Knuffle Bunny to hide and find around your own neighborhood!

### Key Selling Points

- **TARGET CONSUMER:** For kids ages 4 to 8 seeking engaging activities and games; for young readers looking for more content from the world of Mo Willems.
- **BELOVED CHARACTER:** The Knuffle Bunny collection has sold over one million copies in North America plus numerous foreign language editions. Sepia tone photos and illustrated character art as seen in the original picture book series are included throughout.
- **INTERACTIVE FORMAT:** Each book includes a perforated, two-sided cardstock Knuffle Bunny for kids to hide-and-find (and share) on their own. It's Flat Stanley meets Knuffle Bunny.

### Author Info

# This Little Caterpillar



Subtitle	A Touch and Feel Book		
Series / Series #	This Little		
By (author) / Illustrated by	Nosy Crow Ltd / Arrhenius, Ingela P		
Format/Sub-format	Board Book / Baby/Toddler	Edition	US Edition
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9798887772608 /	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	50,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	7.322835 x 7.322835 / 10 /	Age Range	0-3
Team	(Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats			
Selling Territory	World Exclusive \ A/NZ Non-Exclusive		
BISAC Category	<b>(Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV009050) Concepts / Senses &amp; Sensation, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV002300) Animals / Butterflies, Moths &amp; Caterpillars, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV051000) Imagination &amp; Play</b>		
Pricing	\$10.99 (US Price) / ₹899 / \$13.99 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>07/20/2026</b>	Pub Date:	<b>08/25/2026</b>

## Title Notes

### Sales Handle:

**Book Description:** From Ingela P. Arrhenius, creator of the Peekaboo and Felt Flaps series, this stylish and innovative new touch-and-feel-series is perfect for little ones just beginning to engage their senses.

This exciting series of board books encourages babies and toddlers to explore the world through touch. From fuzzy boucle to vinyl and holographic foil, children will develop their tactile senses as their tiny fingers traverse each spread. Bestselling illustrator Ingela P. Arrhenius's bright and cheerful artwork adds stylish flair to these adorable board books!

Meet five adorable bugs and critters and explore a different texture on every page in this touch-and-feel board book, with a soft felt flap finale!

Other titles in the series include: *This Little Duckling* (January 2025), *This Little Puppy* (September 2025), *This Little Lion* (February 2026), *This Little Dinosaur* (February 2026).

Features a free Stories Aloud audiobook—just scan the QR code on the cover and follow along!

## Key Selling Points

- Includes free Stories Aloud audiobook - readers can scan the QR code on the back cover to listen to the book read aloud!
- Each spread features a unique, high-quality tactile element or texture for babies to touch and feel.
- Ingela P. Arrhenius's recognizable and beloved illustrations engage babies and toddlers with her signature bright colors and characters.

## Author Info

Author Residence	Local Bookstore
About The Author	Ingela P. Arrhenius has created patterns for fabrics, wallpaper, and stationery, as well as packaging and home accessories. She has also collaborated with several toy producers around the world. Her love of retro style, typography, and color is reflected in all her work. Ingela lives with her husband (an author) and two sons in Stockholm, Sweden.
Author Links	(Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)

## Marketing & Publicity Plans

## Bungo Stray Dogs: The Official Comic Anthology, Vol. 6

Series / Series #	Bungo Stray Dogs: The Official Comic Anthology, #6		
By (author) / Translated by / By	Asagiri, Kafka / Gifford, Kevin / Harukawa, Sango		
(artist) Format/Sub-format	Trade Paperback	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9798855406788 /	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	15,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	5 x 7.5 / 164 / 48	Age Range	16 & up
Team	(Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats	Electronic Book		
Selling Territory	World Exclusive		
BISAC Category	<b>(Cgn) Comics &amp; Graphic Novels</b> / (CGN004050) East Asian Style / Manga / General, <b>(Cgn) Comics &amp; Graphic Novels</b> / (CGN004030) Fantasy / General		
Pricing	\$13.00 (US Price) / ₹1099 / \$17.00 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>07/20/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>08/25/2026</b>	

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### Title Notes

#### Sales Handle:

**Book Description:** One more for the road—A new gang of guest authors is here with all-new stories from the streets of Yokohama! Whether it's Poe trying to write a mystery even Atsushi can solve, a mysterious wave of characters being drawn in the wrong art style, or all the members of the agency working together to play a prank on Dazai, there's something for everyone in this climactic collection!

### Key Selling Points

- Featuring various styles from multiple artists, each putting their own touch on these iconic characters, *Bungo Stray Dogs: The Official Comic Anthology* is a must-have for fans of this renowned series.
- *Bungo Stray Dogs* has been one of the most popular supernatural action series in the world of manga and anime for nearly a decade.
- *Bungo Stray Dogs* has five iconic seasons of anime airing on Crunchyroll.

### Author Info

#### Author History

**02/26** — *Bungo Stray Dogs: The Official Comic Anthology, Vol. 5* — Asagiri/Harukawa (9781975399849, PB, Yen Press, \$13.00, 148 pgs)

·4,222 (Gross), 4,212 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**08/25** — *Bungo Stray Dogs: The Official Comic Anthology, Vol. 4* — Asagiri/Harukawa (9781975399825, PB, Yen Press, \$13.00, 148 pgs)

·5,826 (Gross), 5,506 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**04/25** — *Bungo Stray Dogs: The Official Comic Anthology, Vol. 3* — Asagiri/Harukawa (9781975399801, PB, Yen Press, \$13.00, 148 pgs)

·8,112 (Gross), 7,471 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**11/24** — *Bungo Stray Dogs: The Official Comic Anthology, Vol. 2* — Asagiri/Gifford (9781975399788, PB, Yen Press, \$13.00, 148 pgs)

·12,227 (Gross), 11,379 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

### Comps

## Final Fantasy Lost Stranger, Vol. 13

Series / Series #	Final Fantasy Lost Stranger, #13		
By (author) / Translated by / By	Minase, Hazuki / Pan, Melody / Kameya, Itsuki		
(artist) Format/Sub-format	Trade Paperback	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9798855436044 /	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	5,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	5 x 7.5 / 244 / 48	Age Range	13 & up
Team	(Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats	Electronic Book		
Selling Territory	World Exclusive		
BISAC Category	<b>(Cgn) Comics &amp; Graphic Novels / (CGN004050) East Asian Style / Manga / General, (Cgn) Comics &amp; Graphic Novels / (CGN004030) Fantasy / General, (Cgn) Comics &amp; Graphic Novels / (CGN004060) Media Tie-In, (Cgn) Comics &amp; Graphic Novels / (CGN004070) Science Fiction / General</b>		
Pricing	\$13.00 (US Price) / ₹1099 / \$17.00 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>07/20/2026</b>	Pub Date:	<b>08/25/2026</b>



### Title Notes

#### Sales Handle:

**Book Description:** In his quest for the “Raise” spell, Shogo finds himself facing Alexander in a fierce battle to protect the Gold Saucer! And it seems Mayoral Adviser Deelee, now revealed to be a member of the Forbidden Arts Guild, has a shared past with Cid...? The Gold Saucer’s dark secrets are brought to light, the Big Bridge crumbles, Forbidden Arts are unleashed, and one person’s unwavering conviction will spell the end of a life...

### Key Selling Points

- *Final Fantasy Lost Stranger* is an isekai (another world) manga that serves as a great homage to the iconic Final Fantasy video game series.
- *Final Fantasy Lost Stranger* references lore from several *Final Fantasy* games mostly through character and creature design.
- The *Final Fantasy* video game series is the most popular and celebrated Japanese RPG video game series in history with several installments.

### Author Info

#### Author History

**09/25** — *Final Fantasy Lost Stranger, Vol. 12* — Minase/Kameya (9798855420494, PB, Yen Press, \$13.00, 244 pgs)

·2,331 (Gross), 2,213 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**12/24** — *Final Fantasy Lost Stranger, Vol. 11* — Minase/Pistillo (9798855402131, PB, Yen Press, \$13.00, 212 pgs)

·2,907 (Gross), 2,799 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**10/24** — *Final Fantasy Lost Stranger, Vol. 10* — Minase/Kameya (9798855402117, PB, Yen Press, \$13.00, 204 pgs)

·3,372 (Gross), 3,098 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**07/23** — *Final Fantasy Lost Stranger, Vol. 9* — Minase/Kameya (9781975371593, PB, Yen Press, \$13.00, 196 pgs)

·4,955 (Gross), 4,530 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

### Comps

# Solo Leveling: Ragnarok, Vol. 1 (comic)

Series / Series #	Solo Leveling: Ragnarok (comic), #1		
Translated bys / By (artist)	Torres, J. ; Im, Hye Young / JIN(REDICE STUDIO), JIN(REDICE)		
Format/Sub-format	Trade Paperback	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9798400904776 /	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	164,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	5.75 x 8.25 / 312 / 24	Age Range	16 & up
Team	(Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats	Electronic Book		
Selling Territory	World Exclusive		
BISAC Category	(Cgn) Comics & Graphic Novels / (CGN021000) East Asian Style / Manhwa, (Cgn) Comics & Graphic Novels / (CGN004030) Fantasy / General		
Pricing	\$20.00 (US Price) / ₹1795 / \$26.00 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>06/15/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>07/21/2026</b>	



## Title Notes

### Sales Handle:

**Book Description:** The highly anticipated sequel to the hit fantasy novel and comic Solo Leveling! In a world of gates, monsters, and hunters galore, Sooho Sung is...well, he's just an ordinary college student. Sure, his parents went missing right before the gates started appearing three years ago, and he occasionally had a weird dream where he could beat up monsters and level up like a video game, but other than that? There's absolutely nothing special about him. So when a sudden monster outbreak occurs on his campus, he must fight back every instinct screaming at him to run away as he takes a page out of his dad's book and rushes to save his classmate. The chances of making it alive are looking bleak, until—PING! [Congratulations on becoming a Player.]

### Key Selling Points

- *Solo Leveling* is the most successful Korean comic in the market, and its success has ushered in a huge trend of Korean webtoons in print in English. *Solo Leveling, Vol. 14* was a New York Times Bestseller.
- *Solo Leveling: Ragnarok* is the much-anticipated sequel to the main *Solo Leveling* series which follows Sooho, Jinwoo's son, who inadvertently ends up following in his father's footsteps.
- *Solo Leveling* has had an anime adaptation whose first season originally aired in January 2024. It is available to stream on Crunchyroll. A second season aired in January 2025.

## Author Info

### Author History

## Comps

**03/26** — *Solo Leveling, Vol. 15 (comic)* — Chugong/h-oon (9798400904660, PB, Yen Press, \$20.00, 296 pgs)

·65,113 (Gross), 64,933 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**12/25** — *Solo Leveling, Vol. 14 (comic)* — Chugong/h-oon (9798400904646, PB, Yen Press, \$20.00, 312 pgs)

·92,328 (Gross), 88,779 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**08/25** — *Solo Leveling, Vol. 13 (comic)* — Chugong/h-oon (9798400902598, PB, Yen Press, \$20.00, 296 pgs)

·121,752 (Gross), 119,406 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**05/25** — *Solo Leveling, Vol. 12 (comic)* — Chugong/h-oon (9798400902574, PB, Yen Press, \$20.00, 304 pgs)

·139,124 (Gross), 133,934 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

## Omniscient Reader's Viewpoint (novel), Vol. 4

Series / Series #	Omniscient Reader's Viewpoint (novel), #4		
By (author) / Translated by	singNsong, / Torres, J. ; Im, Hye Young		
Format/Sub-format	Trade Paperback	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9798400903793 /	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	60,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	5.75 x 8.25 / 260 /	Age Range	13 & up
Team	(Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats	Downloadable (Audio), Electronic Book		
Selling Territory	World Exclusive		
BISAC Category	(Fic) Fiction / (FIC009100) Fantasy / Action & Adventure		
Pricing	\$16.00 (US Price) / ₹1440 / \$21.00 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>06/15/2026</b>	Pub Date:	<b>07/21/2026</b>



### Title Notes

#### Sales Handle:

**Book Description:** A kingless world—though it was an outcome Dokja chose, even he could not have foreseen the disastrous consequences of his decision. Separated from his companions, he is forced to witness how low humans can sink without anyone to impose order. Even worse, forfeiting the power of the Absolute Throne means he will have to fight the Catastrophes of the fifth scenario head-on! And the very first one he faces is a being described in the original novel as “the second of the three ways to survive the apocalypse”...

### Key Selling Points

- The *Omniscient Reader's Viewpoint* novel is the source material that inspired one of the most popular webcomics serialized on the WEBTOON platform, receiving over 390 million views and released in print by Ize Press.
- The English print edition of the *Omniscient Reader's Viewpoint* novel is one of the most fan-demanded publications from the Korean content community, as the 2023 acquisition announcement was the most popular announcement of all time for both Yen Press and Ize Press, gaining over 1 million impressions and 18 thousand likes on Twitter/X alone.
- *Omniscient Reader's Viewpoint* is a modern apocalyptic fantasy series offering a complex blend of character drama, action, and an incredibly layered world-building that often references universal folklore, myths, and legends.

### Author Info

#### Author History

**03/26 — Omniscient Reader's Viewpoint (novel), Vol. 3** — singNsong/Torres (9798400903762, PB, Yen Press, \$16.00, 268 pgs)

·31,034 (Gross), 31,017 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**11/25 — Omniscient Reader's Viewpoint (novel), Vol. 2** — singNsong/Torres (9798400903731, PB, Yen Press, \$16.00, 244 pgs)

·49,423 (Gross), 46,557 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**07/25 — Omniscient Reader's Viewpoint (novel), Vol. 1** — singNsong/Torres (9798400903526, PB, Yen Press, \$16.00, 260 pgs)

·89,698 (Gross), 89,197 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

### Comps

**12/23 — Omniscient Reader's Viewpoint, Vol. 1** — Sleepy-C(3B2S STUDIO)/UMI(REDICE STUDIO) (9798400901065, PB, Yen Press, \$20.00, 252 pgs)

·87,162 (Gross), 82,415 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**02/21 — Solo Leveling, Vol. 1 (novel)** — Chugong/Torres (9781975319274, PB, Yen Press, \$15.00, 322 pgs)

·105,755 (Gross), 104,523 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**05/16 — Overlord, Vol. 1 (light novel)** — Maruyama/so-bin (9780316272247, HC, Yen Press, \$20.00, 262 pgs)

·153,938 (Gross), 150,885 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

# Omniscient Reader's Viewpoint, Vol. 11

Series / Series #	Omniscient Reader's Viewpoint, #11		
Translated bys / By (artist)	Torres, J. ; Im, Hye Young / Sleepy-C(3B2S STUDIO), Sleepy-C(3B2S		
Format/Sub-format	Trade Paperback	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9798400904424 /	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	12,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	5.75 x 8.25 / 296 / 32	Age Range	13 & up
Team	(Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats			
Selling Territory	World Exclusive		
BISAC Category	(Cgn) Comics & Graphic Novels / (CGN021000) East Asian Style / Manhwa, (Cgn) Comics & Graphic Novels / (CGN004030) Fantasy / General		
Pricing	\$20.00 (US Price) / ₹1795 / \$26.00 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>06/15/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>07/21/2026</b>	



## Title Notes

### Sales Handle:

**Book Description:** The long-dreaded confrontation against the Catastrophe of Floods finally begins. But things go disastrously wrong from the very start when Junghyeok's mistake against this overwhelmingly powerful opponent results in Dokja suffering a fatal injury. As his consciousness leaves his body, Dokja's only recourse is to use his skill to take on the viewpoint of another character. Naturally, he turns his eyes toward the the Regressor himself, until he realizes there is someone even stronger he may be able to influence...

## Key Selling Points

- From the creator of *The World After the Fall*, this iconic survival game title brings together psychological drama and supernatural action in one brilliant package.
- An anime adaptation of *Omniscient Reader's Viewpoint* was announced at Anime Expo 2024 and has been licensed by Crunchyroll.
- *Omniscient Reader's Viewpoint* is available to read digitally on WEBTOON, where it has 2.8 million subscribers and 250 million views as of July 2023.

## Author Info

### Author History

**04/26** — *Omniscient Reader's Viewpoint, Vol. 10* — Sleepy-C(3B2S STUDIO)/UMI(REDICE STUDIO) (9798400904417, PB, Yen Press, \$20.00, 288 pgs)

·8,310 (Gross), 8,309 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**01/26** — *Omniscient Reader's Viewpoint, Vol. 9* — Sleepy-C(3B2S STUDIO)/UMI(REDICE STUDIO) (9798400904400, PB, Yen Press, \$20.00, 288 pgs)

·10,878 (Gross), 10,573 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**09/25** — *Omniscient Reader's Viewpoint, Vol. 8* — Sleepy-C(3B2S STUDIO)/UMI(REDICE STUDIO) (9798400902857, PB, Yen Press, \$20.00, 272 pgs)

·13,396 (Gross), 13,043 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**06/25** — *Omniscient Reader's Viewpoint, Vol. 7* — Sleepy-C(3B2S STUDIO)/UMI(REDICE STUDIO) (9798400902840, PB, Yen Press, \$20.00, 280 pgs)

·15,168 (Gross), 14,585 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

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## Toilet-bound Hanako-kun, Vol. 24

Series / Series #	Toilet-bound Hanako-kun, #24		
By (author) / Translated by	Aidalro, / Nibley, Alethea ; Nibley, Athena		
Format/Sub-format	Trade Paperback	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9798855435368 /	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	40,000	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	5 x 7.5 / 178 / 48	Age Range	13 & up
Team	(Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats	Electronic Book		
Selling Territory	World Exclusive		
BISAC Category	(Cgn) Comics & Graphic Novels / (CGN004050) East Asian Style / Manga / General, (Cgn) Comics & Graphic Novels / (CGN004030) Fantasy / General		
Pricing	\$13.00 (US Price) / ₹1099 / \$17.00 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>06/22/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>07/28/2026</b>	



### Title Notes

#### Sales Handle:

**Book Description:** In an altered world, Kou and Mitsuba are drawn to the Red House, seeking answers to the memories they've been glimpsing of a different past. Nene and her gang follow close behind, looking to discover what changed in their new timeline. But nothing can prepare them for who they find dwelling inside—a grown-up Hanako-kun?! It's too early to rejoice, though—this Hanako-kun is nothing like the boy they remember, and his presence may only spell doom for the Red House's visitors...

### Key Selling Points

- An anime adaptation of *Toilet-bound Hanako-kun* debuted in January 2020 and has stood out as one of the most popular series of the season.
- Since its 2020 debut, *Toilet-bound Hanako-kun* has become one of the best-selling manga series for Yen Press.

### Author Info

#### Author History

**10/25** — *Toilet-bound Hanako-kun, Vol. 23* — Aidalro/Nibley (9798855424737, PB, Yen Press, \$13.00, 178 pgs)

·34,475 (Gross), 31,078 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**07/25** — *Toilet-bound Hanako-kun, Vol. 22* — Aidalro/Nibley (9798855416077, PB, Yen Press, \$13.00, 178 pgs)

·35,559 (Gross), 34,660 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**01/25** — *Toilet-bound Hanako-kun, Vol. 21* — Aidalro/Christie (9798855410198, PB, Yen Press, \$13.00, 178 pgs)

·47,123 (Gross), 45,761 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**06/20** — *Toilet-bound Hanako-kun, Vol. 3* — Aidalro/Nibley (9781975311353, PB, Yen Press, \$13.00, 178 pgs)

·341,644 (Gross), 323,972 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

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## Bungo Stray Dogs, Vol. 27

Series / Series #	Bungo Stray Dogs, #27		
By (author) / Translated by / By	Asagiri, Kafka / Gifford, Kevin / Harukawa, Sango		
(artist) Format/Sub-format	Trade Paperback	Edition	
ISBN-13/ ISBN-10	9798855437874 /	Season	2026 Summer
Announced 1st Print	12,400	1st Serial / Bridges	No / No
Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty.	5 x 7.5 / 180 / 48	Age Range	16 & up
Team	(Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist)		
Other Formats	Electronic Book		
Selling Territory	World Exclusive \ Excluding Singapore & Malaysia		
BISAC Category	<b>(Cgn) Comics &amp; Graphic Novels</b> / (CGN004050) East Asian Style / Manga / General, <b>(Cgn) Comics &amp; Graphic Novels</b> / (CGN004030) Fantasy / General		
Pricing	\$13.00 (US Price) / ₹1099 / \$17.00 (CAN Price)		
Dates	Order Cutoff Date: <b>06/22/2026</b>	Pub Date: <b>07/28/2026</b>	

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### Title Notes

#### Sales Handle:

**Book Description:** Cut down by the Divine One, Atsushi is plunged into a strange interdimensional space where the very nature of reality seems pliable. There, he must face the inner vision of Dazai that has haunted him since the beginning of the incident, as well as the trauma of his own past. But reaching through the darkness, Atsushi grasps a single sliver of hope—and rises to fight once more!

### Key Selling Points

- A consistent best-seller in the shonen (young boys) manga category.
- Perfect for fans of *Durarara!!* and *Darker than Black!*
- The 24-episode anime adaptation premiered in spring 2016 and is available for streaming on Crunchyroll.

### Author Info

#### Author History

**01/26** — *Bungo Stray Dogs, Vol. 26* — Asagiri/Harukawa (9798855430479, PB, Yen Press, \$13.00, 180 pgs)  
· 11,100 (Gross), 11,044 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**05/25** — *Bungo Stray Dogs, Vol. 25* — Asagiri/Harukawa (9798855415285, PB, Yen Press, \$13.00, 180 pgs)  
· 15,270 (Gross), 14,869 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**08/24** — *Bungo Stray Dogs, Vol. 24* — Asagiri/Pistillo (9798855401998, PB, Yen Press, \$13.00, 172 pgs)  
· 19,596 (Gross), 17,425 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

**06/17** — *Bungo Stray Dogs, Vol. 3* — Asagiri/Gifford (9780316468152, PB, Yen Press, \$13.00, 196 pgs)  
· 110,539 (Gross), 107,076 (Net), (Source) — Reason:

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