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The Power of Pull

What You Need to Know About Customer Demand (and Why Most Businesses Get It Wrong)

Rob Snyder

Description

How to harness customer demand to fuel your business growth

Rob Snyder followed all the traditional advice for launching a startup. He did his research, ran experiments, raised millions in venture capital, but his company struggled to get off the ground. It wasn't until he left the standard playbooks behind that he was able to quickly scale to millions of dollars in revenue. Now he's a successful serial entrepreneur whose advice has helped hundreds of business owners get unstuck and start scaling.

In *The Power of Pull*, Snyder strips business down to one counterintuitive principle: Customer demand is all that matters. When business owners find real demand, they stop pushing their product onto an indifferent market, and instead customers pull the product out of their hands.

Demand first, everything else later

And demand isn't 'people who want our product'. It's what customers urgently want to accomplish in their own lives - right now. A promotion? Better health? Fulfilling relationships? When your solution fits that priority better than the alternatives, customers buy naturally. If it doesn't, no amount of persuasion or advertising will create traction.

Including the practical PULL framework, showing how to identify genuine demand, and examples from companies like Basecamp, HubSpot and Tesla, this book gives founders a clear path to faster growth - without the guesswork.

Sales Points

- For readers of *Unreasonable Hospitality*, THE POWER OF PULL shows how to adopt a **service mindset**, running a business as an act of humbly helping customers achieve what they care about most.
- Based on the author's bootcamp at Harvard Innovation Lab which sees 30k online views a month from around the world.
- Rob Snyder is a Top Voice on LinkedIn and a regular speaker at venture funds, startup accelerators including TechStars and Y Combinator, and some of the world's top business schools.
- Potential endorsements from Will Guidara (*Unreasonable Hospitality*) and Peter Kazanjy (*Founding Sales*)
- Global social media support from Harvard Innovation Labs

Author Biography

Rob Snyder is a serial B2B startup founder and a fellow at Harvard Innovation Labs. He graduated from Harvard Business School and previously worked at McKinsey & Company where he launched a weekly internal intrapreneurship newsletter that grew to thousands of subscribers. He is also an entrepreneur-in-residence and venture partner for early-stage venture capital funds.

Rob speaks on this topic at Harvard, MIT, and USC; and at startup accelerators like TechStars, On Deck, Food Foundry, and Gener8tor; and even at billion-dollar companies. To date, his presentations have been accessed by hundreds of thousands of entrepreneurs. He has been named one of ~10 Fellows at the Harvard Innovation Lab, and was asked to develop and run a startup bootcamp for Harvard entrepreneurs.

Recently named a Top Voice on LinkedIn, Rob lives with his wife and daughter in Brookline, New Hampshire.

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Dreamers of the Full Moon Coffee Shop

Mai Mochizuki

Keynote

A story about love in all its forms, the third book in the bestselling Full Moon Coffee Shop series tells an empowering story about love and coming to terms with your true feelings

Description

<h5>THE #1 INTERNATIONALLY BESTSELLING HEALING SERIES FROM JAPAN</h5>

<h5>ANOTHER TALE OF CATS, CAKES AND ASTROLOGY FOR READERS OF BEFORE THE COFFEE GETS COLD</h5>

Under the influence of Neptune, the doors to people's dreams are opening once again...

If you are kind to cats, so Japanese legend goes, they'll return the favour one day. And if you are kind to the right cat, you might find yourself invited to a celestial café. One summer moon, a cat with azure eyes takes over the running of the Full Moon Coffee Shop. But this cat isn't just any old cat: it embodies our deepest desires - and quietly keeps watch over our dream worlds.

The evening's first customer is an aging mother living in a crumbling house by the sea, in the company of her fluffy Persian.

Fujiko hasn't seen her only daughter, a high-flying actress in Tokyo, for longer than she can remember. But when news of a lost love hits national headlines and reopens closed doors, this new feline friend offers the chance of a long-awaited reunion.

A story about love in all its forms, the third book in the bestselling Full Moon Coffee Shop series tells an empowering story about love and coming to terms with your true feelings.

Sales Points

- **HALF A MILLION SOLD:** *The Full Moon Coffee Shop* has sold 500k+ copies across 19 languages and spawned 5 sequels. It was selected as a **Waterstones Paperback of the Year** and reached **#1 in Singapore**.
- **For all readers of the BEFORE THE COFFEE GETS COLD series** (#1 TCM 322.4k; #2 TCM 76.6k; #3 TCM 29.5k; #4 TCM 14.2k; #5 TCM 10.3k)
- **A NEW CLASSIC OF ASIAN 'HEALING FICTION':** Other comps include **DAYS AT THE MORISAKI BOOKSHOP** (TCM 103.5K); **THE KAMOGAWA FOOD DETECTIVES** (TCM 20.9K); **THE GUEST CAT** (TCM 185.7k)
- **COSY MEETS WHIMSY:** A micro-trend within healing fiction as consumer tastes evolve towards whimsical and wondrous alt-timeline novels (think *The House in the Cerulean Sea* meets *DallerGut Dream Department Store* TCM #1 50k, #2 TCM 10k).
- **ASTROLOGY & ROMANCE:** Although this story about a middle-aged mother and the one that got away is not a romance, it is about love and for **all who rely on astrology to guide them through the treacherous terrain of romance, which is basically every horoscope checker.**

Author Biography

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

Translated into 20 languages, *The Full Moon Coffee Shop* has sold over half a million copies worldwide.

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Best Wishes from the Full Moon Coffee Shop (2025)
The Full Moon Coffee Shop (2024)

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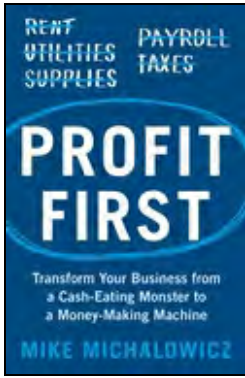
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Profit First Transform Your Business from a Cash-Eating Monster to a Money-Making Machine

Mike Michalowicz

Keynote

A refreshed edition of the modern cult classic and business bestseller that shows how to turn any business into a profitable one.

Description

"START MAKING SOME SERIOUS MONEY...FOLLOW MIKE'S COUNTERINTUITIVE ADVICE AND PUT PROFITS FIRST."

-Verne Harnish, author of *Scaling Up*

"A BRILLIANT SMACK-UPSIDE-THE-HEAD REVELATION FOR ENTREPRENEURS."

-Sally Hogshhead, author of *Fascinate*

"PROFIT FIRST MAY ARGUABLY BE ONE OF THE GREATEST 'HACKS' OF ALL TIME...WATCH THE PROFITS ROLL IN."

-Chris Guillebeau, author of *Born for This* and *The \$100 Startup*

"A GAME CHANGER...YOU NEED THIS BOOK."

-Michael Port, author of *Steal the Show*

"A MUST-READ FOR BUSINESSES LARGE AND SMALL."

-Jenny Blake, author of *Pivot*

"THE ROAD MAP TO AVOID BECOMING A STATISTIC."

-Dawn Fotopulos, associate professor of business, The King's College, New York City; author of *Accounting for the Numberphobic*

Using Michalowicz's Profit First system, readers will learn that:

- **Following 4 simple principles can simplify accounting and make it easier to manage a profitable business by looking at bank account balances.**
- **A small, profitable business can be worth much more than a large business surviving on its top line.**
- **Businesses that attain early and sustained profitability have a better shot at achieving long-term growth.**

The entrepreneur behind three multi-million dollar companies offers a simple, counterintuitive cash management solution that will help small businesses break out of the doom spiral and achieve instant profitability.

Conventional accounting uses the logical (albeit, flawed) formula: Sales - Expenses = Profit. The problem is, businesses are run by humans, and humans aren't always logical. Serial entrepreneur Mike Michalowicz has developed a behavioral approach to accounting to flip the formula: Sales - Profit = Expenses. Just as the most effective weight loss strategy is to limit portions by using smaller plates, Michalowicz shows that by taking profit first and apportioning only what remains for expenses, entrepreneurs will transform their businesses from cash-eating monsters to profitable cash cows.

With dozens of case studies, practical, step-by-step advice, and his signature sense of humour, Michalowicz has the game-changing roadmap for any entrepreneur to make money they always dreamed of.

Sales Points

- **THE BUSINESS BESTSELLER:** Published in 2014, this book has established itself as a cult-classic across the globe, and continues to sell well on both sides of the Atlantic and in export. This has sold 59k units, life-to-date net, on distribution.
- **REFRESHED FOR A NEW AUDIENCE:** Plans are to reintroduce this title to the UK and Export markets, with an updated cover and plans to support with new endorsements and pitches for business podcasts.
- **CHALLENGES CONVENTIONAL WISDOM:** Constant growth is seemingly foundational economic advice, but PROFIT FIRST challenges this principle by arguing that it can be unsustainable for small businesses if they are constantly reinvesting all revenue into the company while not taking any profit for themselves.
- **PERFECT FOR FANS OF:** *The Lean Startup* by Eric Ries (120k) or *The E-myth Revisited* (114k)

Reviews

- 'Quit being a slave to your own business and start making some serious money. Follow Mike's counter-intuitive advice and put profits first.' - *Verne Hanish, author of SCALING UP*

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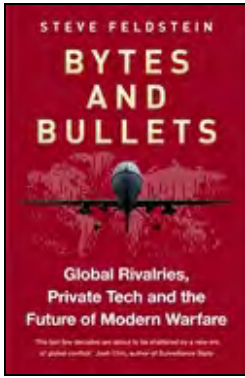
- 'It there will ever be a patron saint for entrepreneurs, Mike Michalowicz is surely the top contender for the position.' - *Simon Sinek, author of START WITH WHY*
- 'Profit First is a brilliant smack-upside-the-head revelation for entrepreneurs. Most small businesses look pretty good on the outside, yet actually struggle to stay afloat. With fascinating stories and wit, Michalowicz shows how to remove your nose from the grindstone, climb out of the quicksand, and build a business that loves you back.' - *Sally Hogshead, author of FASCINATE*
- 'Profit First may arguably be one of the greatest 'hacks' of all time. Apply the pay-yourself-first principle to your business and watch the profits roll in.' - *Chris Guillebeau, author of BORN FOR THIS and THE \$100 STARTUP*

Author Biography

Mike Michalowicz is the entrepreneur behind three multimillion-dollar companies and is the author of several business books, including *Profit First*, *Clockwork*, *The Pumpkin Plan* and his newest book, *All In*. Mike is a former small business columnist for *The Wall Street Journal* and business makeover expert for MSNBC. He regularly travels the globe as an entrepreneurial advocate.

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Bytes and Bullets Global Rivalries, Private Tech and the Future of Modern Warfare

Steve Feldstein

Keynote

A new cutting-edge tech cold war has already begun, and the West is falling behind fast.

Description

'An obligatory read for anyone who wants to understand the new forces shaping the future.' Anne Applebaum, Pulitzer-prize winning, New York Times bestselling author of *Autocracy, Inc.* and *Twilight of Democracy*.

'Couldn't be more timely. Mixes story-telling and analysis to illuminate the new technological arms race.' Peter Pomerantsev author of *Nothing is True* and *Everything is Possible*

When it comes to global dominance, military technology has always been a major geopolitical driver. For decades, the West set the rules on innovation using soft power and government funding to develop its own exclusive cutting-edge defensive capabilities. But in the digital era, the breakthroughs - be it AI systems and autonomous drones, satellite internet or advanced semiconductors - are coming from private companies, not government labs.

In *Bytes and Bullets*, Steve Feldstein explains how technology is transforming geopolitics, upending the ways that countries compete, and how they wage war. Through captivating stories and original field research, he shows how the West's dominance is being undercut at every turn by a combination of commercialization, authoritarian convergence led by China and Russia, and the emergence of new regional powers hungry for more influence.

A new tech cold war is coming into focus fast and restrictions and sanctions are no longer enough to maintain international stability. Feldstein reports from its front line in this rich and at times alarming account of this pivotal moment in history, making an urgent call for the West to act now, or risk losing its international standing forever.

Sales Points

- **SUCCESS OF GEOPOLITICS MEETS TECH PUBLISHING:** *The Age of Surveillance Capitalism* by Professor Shoshana Zuboff (**16.7k** HB and **49.6k** PB), *Chip War* by Chris Miller (**13.8k** HB and **30k** PB), *The Coming Wave* by Mustafa Suleyman (**33.4k** HB and **18k** PB) and *This Is How They Tell Me the World Ends* by Nicole Perlroth (**5.6k** HB and **5.7k** PB)
- **URGENT AND TIMELY:** The first trade book to detail the imminent threat that changes in cutting edge warfare tech presents to the West. Our newspapers are full of stories of how cheap tech is changing warfare - but no book has yet explored this fascinating subject.
- **WORLD EXPERT AUTHOR:** A senior fellow at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, and previously part of the leadership at USAID. Has worked closely with renowned policymakers including John Kerry, Antony Blinken, Bill Burns, and Jake Sullivan.
- **WELL-CONNECTED AND MEDIA SAVVY:** Feldstein has testified before Congress and made regular media appearances on *BBC*, *CNBC* and others. His writing and research have been featured in outlets such as *The Atlantic*, *The New York Times* and *Financial Times*. Feldstein has close relationships with a wide range of public intellectuals, scholars, policymakers, and journalists who will be sure to support the book.
- **COMPELLING AND INSIGHTFUL WRITING:** This is a clever, rich and thought-provoking book with many dozens of captivating on-the-ground stories and original field research.

Reviews

- **"We hear a great deal about weaponized interdependence and the technological arms race, but this desperately needs to be corralled together into an accessible book with a coherent central thesis. Steve Feldstein is a seriously talented and clear-headed thinker and he is the right man-given his connections, access and expertise-to write it."**
' - Dr Matthew Ford, *War Studies professor at Swedish Defence University, Stockholm, and co-author of Radical War*
- **"Couldn't be more timely. Mixes story-telling and analysis to illuminate the new technological arms race."** - Peter Pomerantsev, author of *Nothing is True* and *Everything is Possible*
- **"From the battlefields of Ukraine and the board rooms of Silicon Valley to research labs in Shenzhen, Bytes and Bullets illuminates the profound transformation of a world fast adapting its geopolitical strategies and governance paradigms to new forms of artificial intelligence and algorithmic decision-making. Feldstein delivers a panoramic and cogent account of the**

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characters, innovations, and states big and small that are reshaping technology, geopolitics, and international security. The consequences for American power and global relationships are still unfolding - and the choices ahead for policymakers and the public depend on the clear and compelling analysis this book delivers." - Mariano-Florentino (Tino) Cuéllar, *President*

- *Carnegie Endowment for International Peace*
Steve Feldstein is one of the world's foremost experts on democracy, war, and the digital revolution. In this urgent and incisive book, he weaves together cutting-edge research with a sophisticated understanding of the forces reshaping international politics. At once timely and destined to become an obligatory reference, it is essential reading for anyone seeking to make sense of the new world taking shape around us. - Moises Naim, *Distinguished Fellow, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace*

Author Biography

STEVE FELDSTEIN is a senior fellow at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, a highly regarded thinker and speaker. Previously serving as a senior official at USAID, he is considered an international expert on technology, democracy, and national security. His first book, *The Rise of Digital Repression*, won the 2023 Grawemeyer Award for Ideas Improving World Order. Feldstein has appeared on *CNBC*, *C-SPAN*, *NPR*, and *BBC*, and his writing has appeared in *The Atlantic*, *Foreign Affairs*, and *Lawfare*, among others.

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The Colossus of New York

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Cool Machine by the two-time Pulitzer prize-winning author of The Underground Railroad

Colson Whitehead

Keynote

The brilliant new novel from Colson Whitehead, Pulitzer Prize winning author of *The Underground Railroad* and *The Nickel Boys*.

Description

From the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author and two-time Pulitzer Prize winner Colson Whitehead, an exuberantly entertaining novel that brings 1980s New York to vivid, unforgettable life.

1981. New York City is beginning to emerge from financial ruin and decline, energized by rampant real estate development and a Wall Street unchained by Reagan-era predatory capitalism. Up in Harlem, successful business owner/master fence Ray Carney has just been named Sterling Furniture's Dealer of the Month. When the banks won't give his beloved wife, Elizabeth, a loan for her new travel agency, however, Carney gambles on one last heist, and finds himself entangled with a legendary criminal mastermind.

1983. To some, Carney's friend and partner in crime Pepper is a stone-cold sociopath. To others, a top thief with questionable people skills. Either way, he's feeling his age in his troubled gut and his aching bones. When he takes on a bodyguard gig as a favor to Elizabeth, he's plunged into the alien territory of the East Village art and club scene. Luckily for him, whether you're uptown or down, everyone speaks the same language of violence - Pepper is a native speaker.

1986. Carney has always been haunted by his inability to save his cousin Freddie. Now, twenty years after Freddie's death, he has a chance to rescue Freddie's son from the violent forces of the city. But coming out of retirement and teaming up with Pepper again will mean risking the safety and security he's spent decades building for his family, with only one shot to get it right.

With his usual pitch-perfect prose, Whitehead paints a portrait of a city in transition, where shimmering skyscrapers rise to the heavens as displaced people huddle in abandoned tunnels below. In a dazzling display of protean imagination, *Cool Machine* roves all over the city, from Windows on the World to Sugar Hill, to show that in New York, and in the lives of Whitehead's vivid characters, it's what's below the surface that reveals the truth.

Sales Points

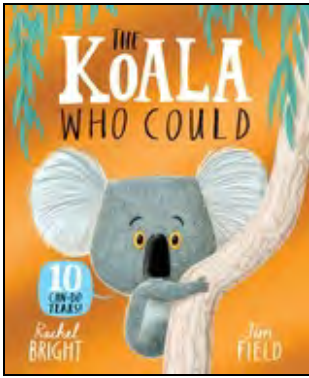
- **A 2026 pick by the BBC, the *New Statesman*, *Mail on Sunday* and *Irish Mail on Sunday* and the *New York Times*, *Esquire*, *TIME Magazine*, *Vulture*, *Lit Hub* and *Harper's Bazaar* (US).**
- We have sold over a million copies of Colson's books across our territories.
- We publish a beautiful new cover 10th anniversary edition of *The Underground Railroad*, with an introduction by Sara Collins, in September 2026. Colson Whitehead is the only living author to have won the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction twice (*The Underground Railroad* and *The Nickel Boys*).
- Ray Carney navigates 1980s New York - the money, the glamour and of course, the crime in a novel that can be read as a standalone, as well as being part of his brilliant Harlem trilogy. One last heist - the biggest yet.

Reviews

- 'Gloriously entertaining' - *Evening Standard*, praise for *Harlem Shuffle*
- 'A rich, wild book' - *New York Times*, praise for *Harlem Shuffle*
- 'The compelling energy of a crime thriller and the sharp wit of social satire' - *Guardian*, praise for *Crook Manifesto*
- 'Whitehead's crime series is one of the most enjoyable streaks in recent fiction' - *Telegraph*, praise for *Crook Manifesto*

Author Biography

Colson Whitehead is the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of eleven works of fiction and nonfiction, and is a two-time winner of the Pulitzer Prize, for *The Nickel Boys* and *The Underground Railroad*, which also won the National Book Award. A recipient of MacArthur and Guggenheim fellowships, he lives in New York City.



The Koala Who Could 10th Anniversary Edition From The World of Rachel Bright & Jim Field

Rachel Bright (Illustrated By Jim Field)

Keynote

Celebrate the 10th birthday of this beloved story about dealing with change and overcoming worries, from the bestselling creators of *The Lion Inside*.

Description

Celebrate the 10th birthday of this beloved rhyming story about dealing with change and overcoming worries, from the bestselling creators of *The Lion Inside*.

In a wonderful place, at the breaking of dawn, where the breezes were soft and the sunshine was warm, a place where the creatures ran wild and played free ... A Koala called Kevin clung to a tree.

Meet Kevin. A koala who likes to keep things the same. Exactly the same. But sometimes change comes along whether we like it or not... And, as Kevin discovers, if you step outside your comfort zone and try new things, you might just surprise yourself!

WINNER of the Sainsbury's Book Award and the Evening Standard Oscar's Book Prize!

'Fabulous rhymes, I'm in love with Kevin and would like to buy this for all my friends' children.' Claudia Winkleman

'A feel-good rhyming tale . . . Field's Australian animals are a treat' - *Bookseller*

Sales Points

- Author Rachel Bright is the creator of the international multi-million selling card and merchandise range: the Bright Side. Her picture book **Love Monster** has sold over 15,000 copies (Nielsen TCM)
- Companion title to Rachel and Jim's first pairing, **The Lion Inside**. Jim is a star in the children's contemporary book world, and winner of the Roald Dahl Funny Prize for **Cats Ahoy!**, and booksellers' favourite with **Oi Frog**
- Finely tuned rhyme and stunning and stylish art make this a stand-out picture book - while the warmth and wit of the storytelling in words and pictures will make it a bedtime favourite for children and parents alike
- This joyful read-aloud picture book will appeal to fans of Julia Donaldson, Giles Andreae and Jon Klassen
- This series has now sold over 1 million copies through TCM

Author Biography

Rachel Bright (Author)

Rachel Bright is a wordsmith, illustrator and professional thinker of happy thoughts. A prolific creator, she has written countless bestselling books for children, including *Love Monster*, *The Lion Inside*, *The Koala Who Could* and *The Worrysaurus* and has won many prestigious awards including The Lollies, The Evening Standard Oscar's Book Prize and The Sainsbury's Book Award. Her books have been translated into 47 languages and have sold over 5 million copies worldwide. She is also the creator of award-winning stationery and homewares range, *The Brightside*. Rachel lives in a forest clearing near the seaside, with her partner, their two young daughters and numerous animals.

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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| Subject | Fiction |
| Type | Picture Book |
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| Binding | Paperback |
| Format | 300x240 |
| Extent | 32 pages |
| Word Count | |
| Series | The World Of Rachel Bright & Jim Field |
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| Binding Format | Paperback Royal |
| Extent | 448 pages |
| Word Count | |
| Series | Heartstopper |
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| Book locale | Kent, UK |
| Author living in | Kent, UK |

Previous Titles

Heartstopper is Alice Oseman's first graphic novel series. Her YA novels include *Solitaire*, *Radio Silence*, *I Was Born For This* and *Loveless*.

Heartstopper Volume 6
The final chapter of the phenomenal graphic novel series, also on Netflix!

Alice Oseman

Keynote

NEW YORK TIMES AND SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Read it before you see it: *Heartstopper Forever* movie coming July 17 from Netflix

Boy meets boy. Boys become friends. Boys fall in love. The final installment in the bestselling LGBTQ+ graphic novel series about life, love, and everything that happens in between.

Description

NEW YORK TIMES AND SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Heartstopper Forever movie coming July 17 from Netflix

HEARTSTOPPER: fastest ever selling graphic novel

Winner of Best Book I Wish I Could Read Again For The First Time - TikTok Book Awards

Boy meets boy. Boys become friends. Boys fall in love. The final installment in the bestselling LGBTQ+ graphic novel series about life, love, and everything that happens in between.

Everyone in school knows Nick and Charlie. Everyone knows they're going to be together forever.

But Charlie's busy with his bid to become head boy. And while Nick is preparing to leave for uni, he's starting to wonder who he'll be . . . without Charlie.

'The queer graphic novel we wished we had at high school.' *Gay Times*

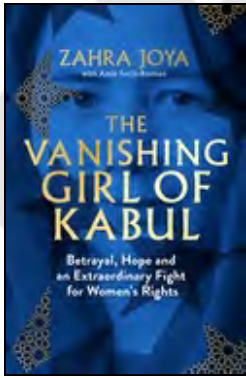
Contains discussions around mental health and eating disorders, underage drinking, and sexual references.

Sales Points

- The Heartstopper graphic novel series is a global phenomenon, with over 10 million copies sold in 40 countries worldwide. An instant number 1 bestseller, Volume 5 remains the UK's fastest selling graphic novel ever. Volume 1 is the top-selling graphic novel since records began
- Alice Oseman has built a huge amount of buzz and an enormous fan base for Heartstopper by releasing regular instalments online as a webcomic (over 150 million views)
- Praise for Alice Oseman's novel *Solitaire*: 'The Catcher in the Rye for the digital age.' *The Times*

Author Biography

Alice Oseman is an award-winning author, illustrator, and screenwriter. Alice is the creator of LGBTQ+ YA romance comic HEARTSTOPPER, and the writer, creator, and executive producer for the Emmy Award-winning screen adaptation for Netflix, produced by See-Saw. Alice has written every episode and been involved at every stage, from casting to music. Alice is the author of several YA contemporary novels: *SOLITAIRE*, *RADIO SILENCE*, *I WAS BORN FOR THIS*, and *LOVELESS*. Alice's books have won, been shortlisted or nominated for a number of awards, including the YA Book Prize, the Inky Awards, the Carnegie Medal, and the Goodreads Choice Awards. Alice was named the *Attitude* Person of the Year, and The British Book Awards Illustrator of the Year.



The Vanishing Girl of Kabul Betrayal, Hope and an Extraordinary Fight for Women's Rights

Zahra Joya

Keynote

A poignant memoir about growing up female in Afghanistan, being betrayed by a world that promised to protect women's rights, and how these rights are under threat across the world.

Description

This is the story of Zahra's life in Afghanistan and her subsequent exile. As a child, she had to dress as a boy to gain an education; later under US rule she qualified as a lawyer and then a journalist. Then, shockingly, the years of freedom and education were overturned literally overnight when the US withdrew and Kabul fell to the Taliban. Afghanistan quickly became the key battleground in the global struggle for women's equality, and as a journalist reporting on abuses of women Zahra's life was in danger. Beginning anew in London without most of her family, she knows that her fight extends far beyond Afghanistan. The lessons from her story, and the stories she is made aware of every day are never more urgently needed in a world inching closer to authoritarianism - from her compatriots banned from showing their faces in public to the lawmakers denying women bodily autonomy, to the rise of the incel movement and the spread of trad wives messaging.

Coming at a time when feminist activism is being signaled globally, when writers are speaking out against censorship and genocide and we are increasingly aware of the power of journalism to change the world, this is a story about all women and how they are treated when men are at their worst. Most importantly it is about fighting back, and having hope. It's a story about an ordinary girl who became a human rights campaigner; it stretches beyond Afghanistan to encompass injustices suffered by women across the globe, and it is a stark reminder of what it means to be betrayed - as a country, by the West, but also as a woman, by the men who rule the world.

Sales Points

- Publication ties in with several anniversaries that will put the plight of Afghanistan back into the public consciousness:
5th August 2026 marks 5 years since the Taliban took control of Afghanistan
26th Sept 2026 marks 25 years since 9/11
November 2026 marks 25 years since the US and its allies invaded Afghanistan
- Zahra established and runs Rukshana Media, a women-led news agency for women and children in Afghanistan. They have won multiple awards for amplifying women's voices.
- Zahra is extremely well connected and we plan to secure major endorsements from world-renown figures.
- Both Zahra and her co-writer, Amie Ferris-Rotman, are in-demand public speakers who have spoken widely on the subject of women's rights at global events. They will use their platforms to spread the word about this important book.
- This is a vitally needed book with global scope that tackles not just human right abuse and gender persecution but solutions and a way forward too, along with examples of where progress is being made.

Author Biography

Zahra Joya is a leading human rights journalist living in exile in London. She was airlifted out of Kabul in the chaotic days of the Taliban's takeover of the country, in August 2021. A year earlier, Joya founded Rukshana Media, Afghanistan's first news agency dedicated to the stories of women - an online news source for Afghan women. She is a former Time Magazine Woman of the Year and has won awards and accolades across the world including the Marie Colvin Award, the Gates Foundation Change Maker and CNN Champion for Change; she was named one of BBC's 100 Women in 2022.

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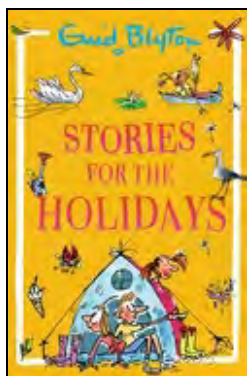
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| CBMC | B3N79 |
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| Series | Stories for . . . |
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| Author born in | East Dulwich |
| Author living in | Deceased |

Previous Titles

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

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Stories for the Holidays

Enid Blyton

Keynote

A sunny collection filled with magic, adventure and bedtime stories perfect to take on holiday from the world's best-loved storyteller!

Description

A collection of brilliant short stories perfect for taking on holiday from the world's best-loved storyteller!

Pack your bags, and get ready for a sunny adventure! Discover what happens when you find a four-leaved clover, meet a mermaid by the sea or catch the person who stole your bicycle! These short stories from Enid Blyton are exactly what you need for an exciting holiday read, perfect for children aged five and up.

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

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

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Sales Points

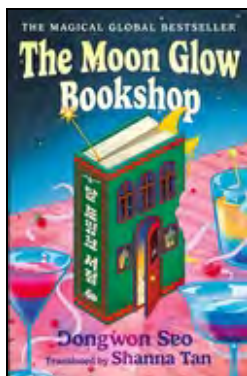
- A new shorter offering of stories, ideal for children aged 5 plus!
- Enid Blyton's short story collections have sold over 700,000 copies in the UK and export [Vista sales]
- These short stories are perfect for newly confident readers to read alone or for shared reading

Author Biography

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

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

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



The Moon Glow Bookshop the heartwarming and magical cosy fantasy Korean sensation

Dongwon Seo
Translated by **Shanna Tan**

Keynote

Step into the magical and uplifting world of **THE MOON GLOW BOOKSHOP** - the Korean sensation for fans of *Before the Coffee Gets Cold* and *Welcome to Hyunam-dong Bookshop*

Description

What if you could turn the pages of your own life, like the pages of your favourite book?

Step into the magical and uplifting world of **THE MOON GLOW BOOKSHOP** - the Korean sensation for fans of *Before the Coffee Gets Cold* and *DallerGut Dream Department Store*

Hidden down a quiet alley, glowing softly under moonlight, there is a bar like no other. This otherworldly venue is manned by Mun, a quiet bartender with a knowing gaze and a mysterious past. He serves not just drinks, but moments. Hand-crafted cocktails that shimmer with stardust and emotion; each one a reflection of your own life: your hidden dreams and your forgotten joys.

Long ago, Mun was the guardian at a magical library where every book held the story of a person's life story. Due to his beliefs that those stories belonged not on dusty shelves but in people's hearts, Mun was cast out and shunned. He found hope in the most unexpected person - Bo-reum, a magical Moon Rabbit who gave him an enchanted recipe that could turn memories into magic. Now, in every glass he serves, there is a chance to remember, to understand and to heal.

Sit down and feel your story unfold.
Sometimes, the smallest sip can change everything.

Your drink is ready. What will your heart choose?

**** Translated from the Korean by Shanna Tan ****

Sales Points

- **HEARTWARMING HEALING FICTION:** Sits perfectly in the buzzworthy 'healing fiction' genre, which is a currently a huge trend in fiction coming from South Korea. Comps to titles such as: *The Rainfall Market* by You Yeong-Gwang, *Marigold Mind Laundry* by Jungeun Yun, *DallerGut Dream Department Store* by Miye Lee and *Welcome to the Hyunam-dong Bookshop* by Hwang Bo-reum.
- **FANTASTIC WHIMSICAL VOICE:** This narrative is a unique blend of magical fantasy and Korean mythology about the moon, mixed with an underlying healing message about self-reflection.
- **BEAUTIFUL COVER:** The stunning cover design and package, adapted from the original Korean edition, is perfect as a gift. The design also references how 문 or 'mun' in Korean has a double-meaning as both 'door' as well as 'moon'.
- **STAR TRANSLATOR:** The brilliant English translation has been done by **Shanna Tan**, who is based in Thailand and who worked on the bestselling title *Welcome to Hyunam-dong Bookshop* (2023), *Marigold Mind Laundry* (2024), *Hakuda Photo Studio* (2025) and *Soyangi Book Kitchen* (2025).

Author Biography

Dongwon Seo was born in Seoul in 1993 and grew up in Incheon. He majored in mechanical engineering and is working in the IT industry. His first work, *The Moon Glow Bookshop* was released through crowdfunding.

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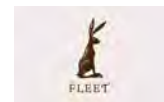


Author Biography

Colson Whitehead is the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of eleven works of fiction and nonfiction, and is a two-time winner of the Pulitzer Prize, for *The Nickel Boys* and *The Underground Railroad*, which also won the National Book Award. A recipient of MacArthur and Guggenheim fellowships, he lives in New York City.

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| Edition Type | Reissue number2 |
| Binding | Paperback |
| Format | B Format |
| Depth | 26mm |
| Extent | 336 pages |
| Word Count | |
| Series | The Harlem Trilogy |
| Exclusively for Sale | Cw; Ire; UK |
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Previous Titles

The Underground Railroad
The Nickel Boys
Apex Hides the Hurt
The Intuitionist
The Colossus of New York

**Harlem Shuffle
(The Harlem Trilogy Book 1)**

Colson Whitehead

Keynote

From two-time Pulitzer Prize-winning author Colson Whitehead, a gloriously entertaining novel of heists, shakedowns and rip-offs set in Harlem in the 1960s.

Description

FROM THE AUTHOR OF *THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD* (Now a major Amazon Prime TV show)

'Dazzling' *Guardian*

'Gloriously entertaining' *Evening Standard*

'A rich, wild book' *New York Times*

'Ray Carney was only slightly bent when it came to being crooked...'

To his customers and neighbors on 125th street, Carney is an upstanding salesman of reasonably-priced furniture, making a life for himself and his family. He and his wife Elizabeth are expecting their second child, and if her parents on Striver's Row don't approve of him or their cramped apartment across from the subway tracks, it's still home.

Few people know he descends from a line of uptown hoods and crooks, and that his façade of normalcy has more than a few cracks in it. Cracks that are getting bigger and bigger all the time.

See, cash is tight, especially with all those instalment plan sofas, so if his cousin Freddie occasionally drops off the odd ring or necklace at the furniture store, Ray doesn't see the need to ask where it comes from. He knows a discreet jeweller downtown who also doesn't ask questions.

Then Freddie falls in with a crew who plan to rob the Hotel Theresa - the 'Waldorf of Harlem' - and volunteers Ray's services as the fence. The heist doesn't go as planned; they rarely do, after all. Now Ray has to cater to a new clientele, one made up of shady cops on the take, vicious minions of the local crime lord, and numerous other Harlem lowlifes.

Thus begins the internal tussle between Ray the striver and Ray the crook. As Ray navigates this double life, he starts to see the truth about who actually pulls the strings in Harlem. Can Ray avoid getting killed, save his cousin, and grab his share of the big score, all while maintaining his reputation as the go-to source for all your quality home furniture needs?

Harlem Shuffle is driven by an ingeniously intricate plot that plays out in a beautifully recreated Harlem of the early 1960s. It's a family saga masquerading as a crime novel, a hilarious morality play, a social novel about race and power, and ultimately a love letter to Harlem.

Sales Points

- Another dazzling novel from the Pulitzer Prize and National Book Award-winning Colson Whitehead

Reviews

- **'Colson Whitehead's dazzling new thriller...In *Harlem Shuffle*, Whitehead flexes his literary muscles further, extending the boundaries and expectations of crime writing.** The book is also a social drama interrogating the nature of prejudice and how an environment limits ambition.' - *Guardian, Book of the Day*
- 'The plot he devised for *Harlem Shuffle* offered a new, high-gearred narrative engine to play with, but it also gave him a way to explore ideas about the slippery nature of morality, power (and who holds it), and the social hierarchies of criminal subcultures' - *New York Times*
- **'Whitehead adds another genre to an ever-diversifying portfolio with his first crime novel, and it's a corker...** Whitehead delivers a portrait of Harlem in the early '60s, culminating with the Harlem Riot of 1964, that is brushed with lovingly etched detail and **features a wonderful panoply of characters who spring to full-bodied life, blending joy, humor, and tragedy. A triumph on every level'** - *Booklist, Starred Review*
- **'Gloriously entertaining...**a zingy social drama, that combines flights of high comedy with reflections on the nature of black self-help and black empowerment in America. **A more purely enjoyable novel is unlikely to emerge this year'** - *Evening Standard*



Author Biography

Colson Whitehead is the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of eleven works of fiction and nonfiction, and is a two-time winner of the Pulitzer Prize, for *The Nickel Boys* and *The Underground Railroad*, which also won the National Book Award. A recipient of MacArthur and Guggenheim fellowships, he lives in New York City.

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Previous Titles

The Paradise Problem
The True Love Experiment
The Soulmate Equation
Something Wilder
In a Holiday
The Honey Don't List
Twice in a Blue Moon
The Unhoneymooners
The Honeymoon Crashers [audio only]
My Favourite Half-Night Stand
Josh & Hazel's Guide to Not Dating
Love & Other Words
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Dating You Hating You

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The Romance Revival

Christina Lauren

Keynote

The instant *New York Times* bestselling authors of *The Paradise Problem* and *The Unhoneymooners* return with an unforgettable novel in which one tragic accident erases a troubled marriage from memory - and love gets one extraordinary do-over.

Description

The instant *New York Times* bestselling authors of *The Paradise Problem* and *The Unhoneymooners* return with an unforgettable new romance.

**One tragic accident.
One troubled marriage erased from memory.
One extraordinary do-over.**

Three years ago, Emery Finch did something completely out of character: she got married. To Luca - the impossibly charming landscaper she met on one blistering night in Vegas who made her laugh, made her dance, made her feel.

But now, Emery is consumed by her top-secret job, missing dinners, forgetting anniversaries, and promising herself Luca will understand once her cutting-edge research comes to light. Until the unthinkable happens: a tragic accident takes Luca from her.

Desperate not to lose him, Emery breaks every rule to bring him back. And Luca would probably thank her for it, if only he could remember her. Their first kiss, their Sunny Sundays at the beach, the life they built together . . . all of it is gone.

It may be a miracle of science, but for Emery it's her one shot at a second chance. And this time, she won't waste it - because true love is always worth reviving.

Why readers love Christina Lauren . . .

'Pure, irresistible magic from start to finish' **EMILY HENRY**

'My favourite kind of book to devour: something that manages to be hot and intense, yet still the very best comfort food' **JODI PICOUlt**

'Witty and downright hilarious . . . a perfect feel-good romantic comedy' **HELEN HOANG**

'Pure joy' **SALLY THORNE**

'Writing duo Christina Lauren are my go-to when I'm feeling sad' **BETH O'LEARY**

'What a joyful, warm, touching book! This is the book to read if you want to smile so hard your face hurts' **JASMINE GUILLORY**

Sales Points

- **PERENNIAL NYT BESTSELLING AUTHOR.** Christina Lauren is the powerhouse writing duo that shows no signs of slowing down! 17 of their titles have hit the *New York Times* list (most recently 2024's THE PARADISE PROBLEM) and the duo have sold over 4 million units in English alone. Christina Lauren are also bestsellers abroad, multiple titles having hit No. 1 in France, and foreign rights to their novels have been sold in 30 countries.
- **SPECULATIVE ROMANCES ARE HOT.** CLo's signature banter and heat (3/5 on the spice scale) meet a high-concept twist when a workaholic wife revives her husband after a fatal accident - only to discover he's lost his memory, giving her one second chance at love. With hits like IN FIVE YEARS, THE SEVEN YEAR SLIP, and THE DEAD ROMANTICS, the market is primed for a speculative, high-concept romcom with an irresistible amnesia hook from our 'fan-favourite' (Julie Soto) authors.
- **GROWING SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORM.** The 'reigning romance queens' (PopSugar) have become an unmissable force in the genre, bolstered by a thriving social media presence. Their Instagram following has grown 57% since 2024 - from 157K at the launch of THE PARADISE PROBLEM to 246K today. This growing loyal community drives consistent engagement and boosts both frontlist and backlist sales.

Reviews

- 'You can never go wrong with a Christina Lauren novel' - *Entertainment Weekly*
- 'Christina Lauren's books are the gold standard for romance novels' - *BuzzFeed*
- '[A]nything Christina Lauren writes is worth checking out, even if it's out of a reader's comfort zone' - *Hypable*

Author Biography

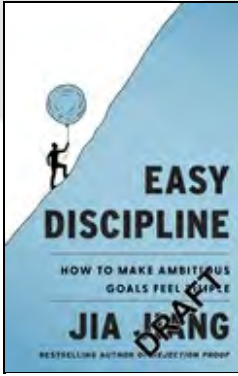
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Christina Lauren is the combined pen name of longtime writing partners and best friends Christina Hobbs and Lauren Billings, the *New York Times*, *USA TODAY*, and No.1 internationally bestselling authors of the Beautiful and Wild Seasons series, *Autoboyography*, *Love and Other Words*, *Roomies*, *Josh and Hazel's Guide to Not Dating*, *The Unhoneymooners*, *The Soulmate Equation*, *Something Wilder*, *The True Love Experiment*, and *The Paradise Problem*. You can find them online at ChristinaLaurenBooks.com or @ChristinaLauren on Instagram.

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Easy Discipline How to Make Ambitious Goals Feel Simple

Jia Jiang

Keynote

From the bestselling author of *Rejection Proof*, a productivity guide to making hard actions easy by using pleasure - not willpower - to achieve your goals. Work can be fun. Focus can be automatic. And success can be easy.

Description

From the bestselling author of *Rejection Proof*, a guide to making hard actions easy by using pleasure - not willpower - to achieve your goals. Work can be fun. Focus can be automatic. And success can be easy.

Most people think that because great achievements are difficult, they must also feel difficult. They resort to grind culture and sheer willpower, attempting to bully themselves into success, only to be left with broken dreams and diminished self-confidence. The truth is, great accomplishments are rarely achieved through mental toughness. Rather, the most successful people find a way to make hard actions feel easy.

Drawing on twelve epic stories from history and pop culture, bestselling author Jia Jiang outlines the four pillars of Easy Discipline-Enjoyment, Artistry, Systems, and Yourself-so you can take hard actions on a consistent basis, love yourself in the process, and achieve life-changing results. You'll learn:

- How to harness the power of the One Action Goal system.
- Why creative constraints are your best friend.
- How to generate momentum in your early actions to help you succeed later on.
- How to actively control and curate media consumption to educate and inspire you toward your goal.

A love letter to ambitious people everywhere who are disorganised, undisciplined, and distracted, *Easy Discipline* will give you the mindsets and tools to turn flaws into assets, obstacles into steppingstones, and dreams into realities.

Sales Points

- AUTHOR PLATFORM: Jia Jiang has a significant platform of over 60k YouTube subscribers, 13k LinkedIn followers, a newsletter with over 48k subscribers and his blog has been viewed over 3.2 million times. His TED talk has millions views and is ranked in the top 1% among all TED talks.
- FOR READERS OF *Feel-Good Productivity* by Ali Abdaal, *Getting Things Done* by David Allen and *Hyper-Focus* by Chris Bailey
- HOOKY SUBJECT: Productivity guides always sell well, and this book has an particularly appealing promise - that we don't need to grind harder to succeed, we need simple tools to make our actions consistent and to love the process.

Author Biography

Jia Jiang is an award-winning speaker, entrepreneur, and the bestselling author of *Rejection Proof*. As a keynote speaker, Jiang has spoken at corporate and industry events and in front of 400,000+ live audiences. His TED talk has millions views and is ranked in the top 1% among all TED talks. Jiang is also the owner of Rejection Therapy, which helps people overcome their fear of rejection and develop mental resilience. His work has been featured in *Time*, *CNN*, *Today*, *Business Insider*, *The Guardian*, *Wired*, and countless news outlets.

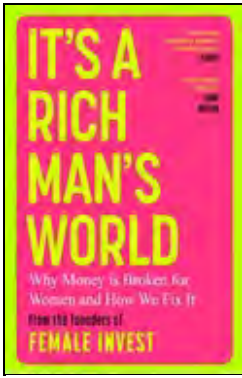
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It's a Rich Man's World Why Money is Broken for Women and How We Fix It

Camilla Falkenberg, Emma Due Bitz & Anna-Sophie Hartvigsen

Keynote

From the bestselling authors and founders of Female Invest comes an eye-opening guide to help women thrive in a financial world stacked against them

Description

We're Female Invest and we've educated more than a million women on investing. Along the way, we realised something: MONEY IS BROKEN FOR WOMEN.

Because women's financial lives are not shaped by salary, saving and investing. They are shaped by the structures around us: by the systems we grow up in, by expectations, policies, and life events that affect women differently than men. We saw that there are eight major life themes that shape a woman's financial future. And how you navigate those has a bigger impact than any job title, salary negotiation or investment strategy ever will.

Instead of writing another investing book, we wrote one that explains *why* money works differently for women and most importantly, how you can navigate it.

It's a Rich Man's World is a book rooted in data, but we also share deeply personal stories from our own lives, in the hope that you'll recognise elements of your own journey in it.

You'll discover:

- * **The 8 life events that determine your financial future:** Most women don't recognize the financial impact until it's too late.
- * **How to navigate them successfully:** Clear, practical guidance to spot and avoid the most common financial traps women face.
- * **Personal stories:** We share deeply personal, vulnerable stories from our own life, to help you see the impact behind the data.

No matter where you're from or where in life you are, it's never too late to change your financial future.

"A movement redefining women's financial power" FORBES

"The best source of financial knowledge out there" EMMA WATSON

Sales Points

- **GLOBAL PLATFORM**, including over 80,000 paid subscribers spread across more than 110 countries, 750k+ followers on Instagram. They expanded into the US in early 2025 and had more than 150,000 sign-ups for their first US webinar.
- **THE FOLLOW-UP TO A BESTSELLING DEBUT:** Their first book, *GIRLS JUST WANNA HAVE FUNDS* was a Sunday Times bestseller and a bestseller in their native country Denmark, and has sold over 23k copies through UK TCM.
- **AN UNMISSABLE CAMPAIGN:** Ambitious pre-order strategy, harnessing the authors' platform to secure a *Sunday Times* bestseller slot. Expect a confident conversation-starting launch, with widespread coverage across women's mags and digital media, broadcast hits like *Woman's Hour*, *ITV This Morning* and more targeted podcast appearances on major feminist, finance and lifestyle podcasts. Wide influencer mailing to Female Invest ambassadors like Emma Watson, Hillary Clinton, Grace Beverley, Deborah Meaden and more.

Author Biography

Camilla Falkenberg (Author)

Camilla Falkenberg, Emma Due Bitz, and Anna-Sophie Hartvigsen are the Founders of Female Invest, a global financial educator targeting women. Through their subscription business, which has members in 120+ countries, they educate women on personal finance and investing with a mission to close the financial gender gap. More than 100,000 women have taken their courses, and they are listed on the Forbes 30 under 30 list within finance, having raised over \$23 million in a world where women (sadly) raise less than 2% of funding. They have also won the worlds' largest startup competition and authored the international bestseller *Girls Just Wanna Have Funds*. They have found global fame with their work, featuring in *Vogue*, *Elle*, *Harper's Bazaar* and many others.

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Why Geopolitics Matters

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REVIEWS

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The World in Turmoil

Why Geopolitics Matters

JOHN ANDREWS

KEYNOTE

John Andrews explores our troubled world in this successor to *The World in Conflict*, which sold over 30,000 copies

SALES POINTS

- A successor volume to Andrews' highly influential *The World in Conflict*, published in four editions with worldwide sales of 30,000 copies
- *The Economist* meets *Prisoners of Geography*: a smart, no-holds-barred overview of geopolitics in an age of political volatility
- John Andrews is a key authority in this world: an *Economist* foreign reporter for 24 years and active and well-connected as a writer, broadcaster and public speaker

DESCRIPTION

A powerful analysis of the future of global politics from one of *The Economist's* most experienced foreign correspondents

Now more than ever, might is right - or so today's strongman leaders would have us believe. In this era of conflict and souring alliances, how will the world's nations co-exist and survive?

From military might to soft power and from empires to rogue states, *The World in Turmoil* takes the long view of factors that influence modern politics, untangling the complex threads that both bind us and threaten to tear us apart.

Complete with a jargon-busting A-Z of key terms, it offers a clear-sighted analysis of the trends governing global politics - and why we ignore them at our peril.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

John Andrews is a political journalist and writer. He was an *Economist* foreign correspondent for 24 years and is the author of *The Economist Book of Isms* and *The World in Conflict*, and co-editor of *Megachange: The World in 2050*.

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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 3: Wild Goose Case

40 Brain-Twisting Mystery Puzzles for Young Detectives

G. T. KARBER

KEYNOTE

The third book of children's *Murdle* puzzles from the internationally bestselling series.

SALES POINTS

- The third *Murdle Junior* book for children aged 9 to 12 years from the phenomenally bestselling *Murdle* puzzle series.
- **The *Murdle* books have sold over 1.3 MILLION copies across the series!** *Murdle* won 2023 Waterstones Gift of the Year and the 2024 British Book Award for Overall Book of the Year.

DESCRIPTION

From the internationally-bestselling *Murdle* series comes the third instalment of *Murdle* puzzles for young detectives!

A grand zoonapping has taken place, and the elite detective club are caught up in animal mayhem . . .

How will the four junior sleuths solve these globetrotting mini mysteries? Join computer whiz Olivia, tough-as-nails Jake, quick-thinking Julius and Buster McPaws on the trail to rescue the animals - and catch that goose!

With another forty mysteries featuring codes, mazes, clues and your trusty deduction grids, *Murdle Junior 3: Wild Goose Case* will put the fate of the animal kingdom in your hands!

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. His books have sold in over thirty languages and he is one of only three non-British authors ever to have published a no. 1 Christmas bestseller in the UK.

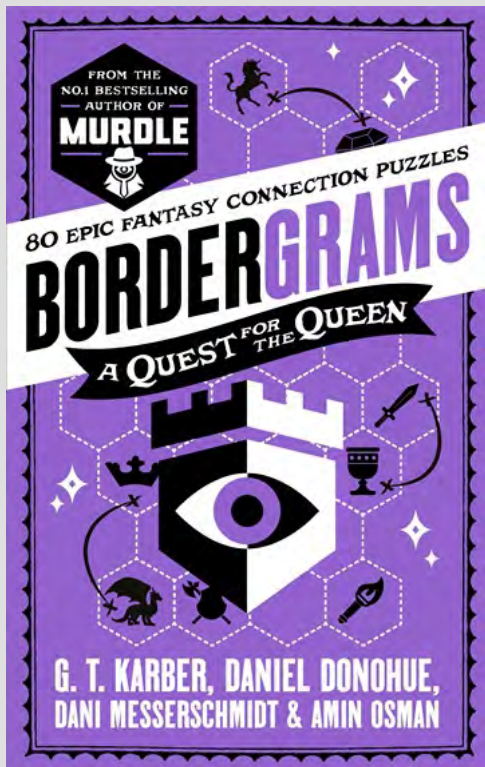
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REVIEWS

‘Reviews for **MURDLE** by G. T. Karber’ - .

‘This will be *the* puzzle sensation of the year. Each scenario is solved using logic and deduction, perfect for armchair sleuths and puzzlers. It’s clever, satisfying and utterly addictive’ - Janice Hallett, Sunday Times bestselling author of *The Examiner* and *The Appeal*

‘An absolute phenomenon . . . the perfect stocking filler’ - Richard Osman, Sunday Times bestselling author of *The Thursday Murder Club* series

‘Murdle is mega’ - *Mail on Sunday*

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Bordergrams: A Quest for the Queen: FROM THE NO. 1 BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF MURDLE

80 Epic Fantasy Connection Puzzles

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MESSERSCHMIDT, AMIN OSMAN

KEYNOTE

The thrilling second instalment of *Bordergrams*, from bestselling author of *Murdle*, G. T. Karber

SALES POINTS

- The second instalment of the *Bordergrams* puzzle series, by the bestselling author of *Murdle*, G. T. Karber.
- *Murdle* was overall book of the year at the 2024 British Book Awards, and Waterstones Gift of the Year in 2023 and the 2023 Christmas #1.
- The *Murdle* series has sold over 1.3 MILLION copies out of the warehouse.

DESCRIPTION

**YOUR NEW PUZZLE OBSESSION FROM THE #1 SUNDAY TIMES
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A Queendom is in peril and only Sir Render, a once-great Knight of the Hexagonal Table, can help re-establish peace and prosperity. Can you help him journey through the Unknown Realms and map the regions to unite the Queendom?

Use cryptic clues to connect words and organise them into harmonious regions, leaving one remaining parcel that reveals the next step on your journey. But beware: working against you is a powerful mystical group known only as The Order...

With eighty *Bordergrams* to complete, and the fate of the Queendom in your hands, this is the ultimate fantasy word challenge for heroic puzzlers!

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

G. T. Karber is the award-winning creator of *Murdle*, the global bestselling puzzle sensation. He is the General Secretary of the Hollywood Mystery Society is one of only three non-British authors to have ever published a number one Christmas bestseller in the UK. **Daniel Donohue** is an esteemed entertainment attorney and former TV producer and host. **Dani Messerschmidt** is a comedy writer, digital artist and the creative director and exhibit designer for *Murdle*. **Amin Osman** is a writer, director and composer, who currently works as a podcast writer and story editor.

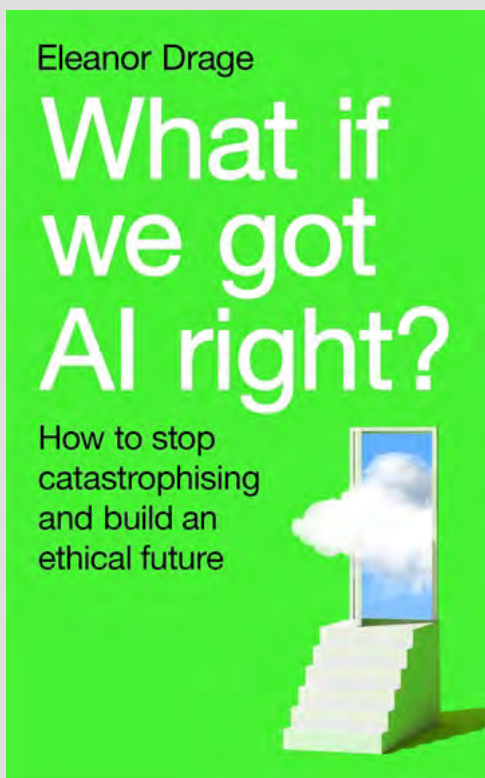
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REVIEWS

‘A wise and purpose-driven book to steer us out of AI doom’ - Sandi Toksvig

‘A timely and much-needed book. Eleanor Drage debunks a range of AI myths and suggests we should not be leaving it up to the AI 'experts'. Instead, she proposes possible ways to shift power back to the people’ - Carole Cadwalladr

‘A brilliantly illuminating book that reveals the deep political forces shaping AI and offers a compelling vision of a more democratic and feminist technological future’ - James Muldoon, author of LOVE MACHINES

‘It's rare to find informed perspectives on AI that have both the imagination and the courage to counter the dominant narrative. This book makes space for possibility. Insightful, surprising and well-argued, it presents a refreshingly different take on AI and the futures it offers’ - Sarah Housley, author of DESIGNING HOPE

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What If We Got AI Right?

How to stop catastrophising and build an ethical future

ELEANOR DRAGE

KEYNOTE

An expert's guide to taking control of AI, and building a future that works for all

SALES POINTS

- **THE ETHICS OF AI:** as Silicon Valley marches onward, an expert explores how to sort myth from reality and ensure that you're engaging with AI that is safe, smart and ethically sound
- **LEADING VOICE:** Dr Eleanor Drage is a pioneering AI researcher and advocate for ethics in tech. She lectures and campaigns across the world, and her podcast *The Good Robot* has over 100k downloads - rising voice
- **UNIQUE APPROACH:** Combining tech, ethics, feminist theory and the history of science, this is one of the most readable and wide-ranging approaches to AI - the only book you need to read on this subject

DESCRIPTION

'Timely and much-needed' Carole Cadwalladr

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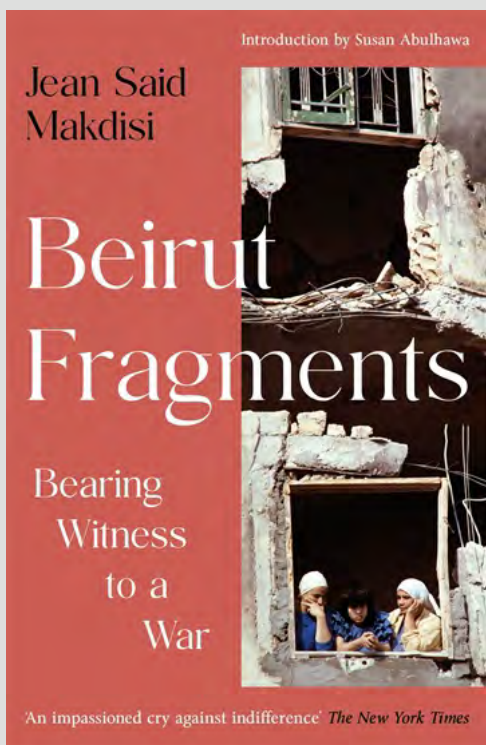
We're confused about AI: what it is, and where it's leading us - whether into a utopia or an apocalypse. Yet these obsessions thwart efforts to make meaningful change in an industry with very real problems.

Here, Dr Eleanor Drage, one of the world's leading AI ethicists, unpicks the culture and ideas that drive the AI arms race, from billionaires trying to cheat death to biased police algorithms and state capture by big tech.

We need new language and new ideas to re-determine what AI is for and how we should use it. Only by bringing feminism, reparative justice and climate politics into the debate can we create a better future with machines.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Dr Eleanor Drage is a Senior Research Fellow at the University of Cambridge's Leverhulme Centre for the Future of Intelligence. One of the UK's leading AI ethicists, her work has been covered by the BBC, the *Guardian*, *Telegraph* and *Forbes*, and she frequently speaks on radio and at AI conferences.



Beirut Fragments

Bearing Witness to a War

JEAN SAID MAKDISI

KEYNOTE

A timeless and profound portrayal of life in a war-torn city, published in the UK for the first time

SALES POINTS

- A rare and timely account of the impact of war on civilian life from a globally acclaimed writer and scholar and the sister of Edward Said
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DESCRIPTION

'An impassioned cry against indifference' - *New York Times*
'Attains the vividness of a nightmare' - *New Yorker*

With an introduction by Susan Abulhawa

'Beirut was a city like any other. What happened here could, I think, happen anywhere'

Jean Said Makdisi arrived in Beirut as an outsider: a Palestinian refugee who had escaped Jerusalem in 1948 and had grown up across Egypt and America. But in 1975, as Lebanon's capital became the locus of a ferocious civil war, Jean decided to stay. As sectarian violence mounted and the city collapsed around her, she documented it all: the cars that exploded in the street; the high-rise buildings that turned to dust; the museums that became military checkpoints; the bifurcation of the city; and the brutality of the Israeli siege in 1982.

Taking in the fourteen years of civil war, Makdisi lays bare the violent face of conflict, meticulously documenting its impact on every aspect of civilian life - from the fearsome whistle of shellfire, to the mundanity of queuing for food, to the constant, wandering search for lost loved ones.

Intimate and profound, *Beirut Fragments* is a heartbreaking memoir of a city under siege and an impassioned defence of collective humanity. With vivid insight and urgency, Makdisi records civilian life brought to its limits and reconstructs the image of a place - and its people - that emerged from the ashes.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Jean Said Makdisi is a Palestinian writer and scholar. She is the author of the acclaimed memoir *Teta, Mother and Me* and the editor of *Arab Feminisms* and *My Life in the PLO*. She lives in Beirut.

REVIEWS

'[*Beirut Fragments*] attains the vividness of a nightmare' - *The New Yorker*

'Coruscatingly vivid, forensically precise, and emotionally profound' - Laleh Khalili, author of *EXTRACTIVE CAPITALISM* and *HEROES AND MARTYRS OF PALESTINE*

'An impassioned cry against indifference' - *New York Times*

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The Great Game

Peter Hopkirk

Keynote

A JM Classics edition of the 100,000-copy-selling epic and engrossing account of the secret war fought between Russia and Britain for almost a century, by the definitive expert on the subject

Description

WITH A NEW FOREWORD BY GILES MILTON

'Peter Hopkirk is truly the Laureate of the Great Game' Jan Morris

'One of the paciest and most exciting works of narrative history I have ever read' William Dalrymple

'There can be few more fascinating subjects, or few authors better qualified to write about it' Independent

For nearly a century the two most powerful nations on earth, Victorian Britain and Tsarist Russia, fought a secret war in the lonely passes and deserts of Central Asia. Those engaged in this shadowy struggle called it 'The Great Game', a phrase immortalized by Rudyard Kipling. When play first began the two rival empires lay nearly 2,000 miles apart. By the end, some Russian outposts were within 20 miles of India.

This classic book tells the story of the Great Game through the exploits of the young officers, both British and Russian, who risked their lives playing it. Disguised as holy men or native horse-traders, they mapped secret passes, gathered intelligence and sought the allegiance of powerful khans. Some never returned. The violent repercussions of the Great Game are still convulsing Central Asia today.

Sales Points

- **JM CLASSICS:** After a successful launch of the JM Classics in 2025, the list continues to celebrate the very best of over 250 years of publishing, with beautifully designed covers a specially commissioned introduction for each title.
- **OVER 100,000 COPIES SOLD:** *The Great Game* was critically acclaimed and hugely popular on publication in 2006, with another 75k copies sold of the reissue in 2016
- **WITH A NEW FOREWORD BY GILES MILTON:** the internationally bestselling historian recounts how reading *The Great Game* as a teenager inspired him to pursue history
- **AS GRIPPING AS FICTION:** Peter Hopkirk's account is packed with vivid characters, adventures and exploits, skulduggery and secrets, transforming rigorous research into a immensely readable narrative.
- **LEADING AUTHORITY:** Until his death, Peter Hopkirk was one of the leading authorities on Central Asia and the Great Game, having worked and travelled widely in the region. Even today, no book surpasses his as the ultimate account of this period of history

Reviews

- "Brilliant" - *Patrick Leigh Fermor, Daily Telegraph*
- "Immensely readable and magisterially detached. A gripping and impressive narrative of adventure and war" - *Financial Times*
- "Hopkirk's brilliant and engrossing account remains the classic text on how to handle the various and often dangerous people who inhabit the region, full of tips and warnings for the Game's current players." - *BBC History Magazine*
- 'Gripping, page-turning stuff, as colourfully written as fiction, with a cliff-hanger at the end of each chapter. It's also a revelatory depiction of the behaviour of the colonizing powers in an era when they believed the world was theirs for the taking - and of some of the occasions on which they met with their comeuppance.' - Lesley Downer, *Slightly Foxed Quarterly*

Author Biography

Peter Hopkirk travelled widely in the regions where his six books are set: Central Asia, the Caucasus, China, Russia, India and Pakistan, Iran, and Eastern Turkey. He worked as an ITN reporter, the New York correspondent of the old *Daily Express*, and - for twenty years - on *The Times*. No stranger to misadventure, he was twice held in secret police cells and has was also hijacked by Arab terrorists. His works have been translated into many languages. All six of his books are available from John Murray: *THE GREAT GAME*, *ON SECRET SERVICE EAST OF CONSTANTINOPLE*, *SETTING THE EAST ABLAZE*, *TRESPASSERS ON THE ROOF OF THE WORLD*, *FOREIGN DEVILS ON THE SILK ROAD* and *QUEST FOR KIM*.

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A Time of Gifts

On Foot to Constantinople: from the Hook of Holland to the Middle Danube

Patrick Leigh Fermor

Keynote

A JM Classics edition of the travel-writing masterpiece first published in 1977, by the inimitable Patrick Leigh Fermor

Description

WITH A FOREWORD BY JAN MORRIS

'A treasure chest' *Spectator*

'A masterpiece' William Dalrymple, *Financial Times*

In 1933, aged eighteen, Patrick Leigh Fermor set out on his 'great trudge', a year-long journey by foot from the Hook of Holland to Istanbul. Three decades later he wrote *A Time of Gifts*, the sparkingly original account of the first part of this youthful adventure. Alone, carrying only a rucksack and a small allowance, he travelled through the Low Countries, up the Rhine, through Germany, down the Danube, through Austria and Czechoslovakia, and as far as Hungary.

Hailed as a masterpiece, *A Time of Gifts* is in part a coming-of-age memoir, but also a rich and compelling portrait of a continent that - despite its resplendent domes and monasteries, great rivers and grand cities - was soon to be swept away by war, modernisation and profound social change.

'Rightly considered to be among the most beautiful travel books in the language' *Independent*

Sales Points

- **JM CLASSICS:** After a successful launch of the JM Classics in 2025, the list continues to celebrate the very best of over 250 years of publishing, with beautifully designed covers a specially commissioned introduction for each title.
- **THE ACCLAIMED TRAVEL CLASSIC:** *A Time of Gifts* is frequently cited as a masterpiece, 'the greatest travel narrative ever written' (*Economist*) and has inspired many writers and travellers
- **WITH A FOREWORD BY JAN MORRIS:** Patrick Leigh Fermor's masterpiece is introduced by another legendary travel writer, Jan Morris
- **A PROLIFIC AND ACCLAIMED WRITER:** Patrick Leigh Fermor was recognised in 2004 with a knighthood and won a Lifetime Achievement Award in 2004 from the British Guild of Travel Writers
- **BEAUTIFUL COLLECTOR'S ITEM:** As part of the JM Classics series with its stylish livery, this will appeal to fans of modern classics series

Reviews

- 'Nothing short of a masterpiece' - *Jan Morris*
- 'A treasure chest of descriptive writing' - *Spectator*
- 'Not only is the journey one of physical adventure but of cultural awakening. Architecture, art, genealogy, quirks of history and language are all devoured - and here passed on - with a gusto uniquely his' - *Colin Thubron, Sunday Telegraph*
- 'Every page of this book is distinguished by an image, a metaphor, a flash of humour always original and sometimes as incisive as a laser beam.' - *Vincent Cronin*

Author Biography

In December 1933, at the age of eighteen, Patrick Leigh Fermor (1915-2011) walked across Europe, reaching Constantinople in early 1935. He travelled on into Greece, where in Athens he met Balasha Cantacuzene, with whom he lived - mostly in Rumania - until the outbreak of war. Serving in occupied Crete, he led a successful operation to kidnap a German general, for which he won the DSO and was once described by the BBC as 'a cross between Indiana Jones, James Bond and Graham Greene'. After the war he began writing, and travelled extensively round Greece with Joan Eyres Monsell whom he later married. Towards the end of his life he wrote the first two books about his early trans-European odyssey, *A Time of Gifts* and *Between the Woods and the Water*. He planned a third, unfinished at the time of his death in 2011, which has since been edited by Colin Thubron and Artemis Cooper and published as *The Broken Road*.

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It Will Come Back to You from the bestselling author of THE FRIEND

Sigrid Nunez

Keynote

The new book from the New York Times bestselling and National Book Award winner Sigrid Nunez: a collection of stories that take us from an inappropriate teenage crush to a therapist's second chance at love, all with Nunez's signature combination of wit, intelligence and compassion.

Description

One of the *Guardian's* most anticipated books for 2026, the first ever collection of short stories from the *New York Times* bestselling, National Book Award-winning author of *The Friend*

'Once you discover Sigrid Nunez, you don't look back' **ANNE ENRIGHT**

'Among the most interesting writers of our generation' **INDEPENDENT**

'Nunez accomplishes in her stories what we have come to expect of her from her marvellous novels: a no-nonsense honesty, a matchless intelligence, an unswerving empathy, and a breathtaking intimacy of voice' **JENNY MUSTARD**

'A treasure trove' **PUBLISHERS WEEKLY**

It Will Come Back to You takes in thirteen stories - never before collected together - from a career spanning three decades, which has seen Nunez become one of contemporary fiction's most distinctive voices. Moving from an inappropriate teenage crush to a therapist's second chance at love, in this collection Nunez maintains her irrepressible humour, bite, and insight, while exploring the philosophical questions we have come to expect from her writing.

'What's consistent across Nunez's books is their searching tone about the biggest of life's questions' **WASHINGTON POST**

'Long live Sigrid Nunez' **LAURA MARLING**

'I am committed, until one of us dies, to Nunez's novels. They are short, wise, provocative, funny' **DWIGHT GARNER, NEW YORK TIMES**

'There are two kinds of people in the world, people who haven't read Sigrid Nunez, and people who love Sigrid Nunez' **CLAIRE KOHDA**

'Wonderful ... Her uncertain protagonists in an uncertain world are the perfect literary creations: vexed in their own lives but delightful to encounter' **BIDISHA**

Sales Points

- **CRITICAL FAVOURITE:** Sigrid Nunez is established now as a major literary writer who gets blanket review coverage
- **NUNEZ'S FIRST STORY COLLECTION:** featuring thirteen stories from a decades-long career (including stories published in *The New Yorker* and the *LRB*), never before collected together
- **NEW BACKLIST!** We are publishing three of Sigrid's backlist novels at the same time: MITZ: THE MARMOSET OF BLOOMSBURY, FOR ROUENNA and NAKED SLEEPER. They have never been published in the UK before.
- **SCREEN SUCCESS:** Two of Nunez's books have recently been made into films: *What Are You Going Through* was the basis for Pedro Almodóvar's *The Room Next Door* (starring Tilda Swinton and Julianne Moore) and *The Friend* has been made into a film starring Naomi Watts and Bill Murray

Author Biography

Sigrid Nunez is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Friend*, winner of the 2018 National Book Award, and of seven other novels, including *Salvation City*, *The Last of Her Kind*, *What Are You Going Through* and *The Vulnerables*. She is also the author of *Sempre Susan: A Memoir of Susan Sontag*. Her books have been translated into over forty languages and two of her books have recently been made into films: *What Are You Going Through* was the basis for Pedro Almodóvar's *The Room Next Door* (starring Tilda Swinton and Julianne Moore) and *The Friend* has been made into a film starring Naomi Watts.

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REVIEWS

'It is Christian Kracht's fate to be among the last humanists, not to say humans, practising literature as the robots swarm. His *Air* is part saga, part simulation, which tells of how it feels and how crazy it makes you, to simultaneously hold the mythical and the virtual accountable to true and beautiful words' - Joshua Cohen

'Christian Kracht is a writer we cannot do without today. *Air* is a transgression - a form of storytelling that reinvents storytelling itself' - Georgi Gospodinov, International Booker-winning author of *Time Shelter*

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Air

The International Bestseller
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KEYNOTE

Blends the inventiveness of contemporary speculative fiction with the literary verve of Knausgaard - perfect for fans of Hari Kunzru, Solvej Balle or Kazuo Ishiguro

SALES POINTS

- *Eurotrash* was nominated for the International Booker Prize 2025 and has sold nearly 30,000 copies TCM to date
- Christian Kracht's star continues to rise, with adaptations of *Eurotrash* coming to Europe and the UK in 2026

DESCRIPTION

'Christian Kracht is the great German-language writer of his generation'
Joshua Cohen

'Ever since his era-defining debut, Christian Kracht has enjoyed a reputation as both a cult and a canonical author ... *Air* is as enigmatic as its title' **TLS**

Two men venture through strange landscapes towards unknowable destinations. Paul, a feted designer, wanders the echoing corridors of a server farm in Norway - before, in a sudden blackout, he seems to vanish. In another time and space, a wounded stranger wakes in a forest, watched over by a young girl who helps him flee to an icebound settlement where perhaps he will find safety.

Inventive, enigmatic and chromatically resonant, *Air* is the seductively disorienting new novel from one of the most significant European writers working today. Heir to the ingenious fictions of Ursula K. Le Guin or Jorge Luis Borges, resistant to single interpretation, it unfolds as a haunting journey through a layered universe that may be a dream, the afterlife or reality's inverted twin.

TRANSLATED BY DANIEL BOWLES

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Christian Kracht is a Swiss novelist whose work has been translated into thirty languages. His novels include *Faserland*, *1979*, *Imperium*, *The Dead*, which won the Swiss Book Prize and the Hermann Hesse Award, and *Eurotrash*, which was nominated for the International Booker Prize.

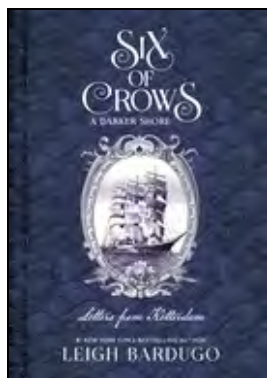
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Six of Crows: A Darker Shore: Letters from Ketterdam Leigh Bardugo

Keynote

From No. 1 *New York Times* bestselling author Leigh Bardugo comes a new Grishaverse short story: a mystery told through found documents set after the events of *Crooked Kingdom*. Explore the Grishaverse like never before with new illustrations and in-world collectible items such as a frameable cloth pirate flag, sticker, and 4 souvenir playing cards.

Description

From No. 1 *New York Times* bestselling author Leigh Bardugo comes a new Grishaverse short story: a mystery told through found documents and set after the events of *Crooked Kingdom*. Explore the Grishaverse like never before with new illustrations by E.K. Belsher, original music composed by E. Aaron Wilson, and in-world collectible items such as a frameable cloth pirate flag, a sticker, and four souvenir playing cards, in a beautiful deluxe hardback.

In the years since the violent upheaval caused by the auction of Kuwei Yul-Bo, the merchants of Ketterdam have been under attack. Secret businesses exposed. Ships sunk. Slavers hunted as they once hunted their victims. All the work of a mysterious sea captain and her ship, the *Wraith*.

Now, two investigators meet to uncover the truth behind the latest disaster: a massacre on an island off the shores of Ketterdam. Among the evidence collected is private correspondence between notorious crime boss Kaz Brekker and an anonymous sailor aboard the *Wraith* known only as "I".

Follow along with the lead investigator as he tries to piece together how such a disaster transpired, and explore the Grishaverse like never before with new illustrations by E.K. Belsher and in-world collectible items.

Sales Points

- A stunningly immersive BRAND NEW Grishaverse short story - this narrative picks up after the events of *Crooked Kingdom* and is told via 'found documents' such as private letters and in-world collectible items.
- Bardugo's books have been published in more than 100 countries and in almost 50 languages. There are currently 20 million copies in print across the globe.
- *The Shadow & Bone Trilogy* is a NEW YORK TIMES bestselling trilogy and global Netflix sensation.
- Features brand new Grishaverse illustrated material by E.K. Belsher.
- This innovative deluxe casebound hardback book includes Grishaverse collectible items such as a frameable cloth pirate flag, private letters between best-loved characters from the SIX OF CROWS duology, sheet music and four souvenir playing cards. The book content also includes:
Ketterdam investigation minutes
Correspondence letters
Sheet music of an original composition by E. Aaron Wilson
New character and setting illustrations

Author Biography

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

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Previous Titles

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Cluedunnit: 5-minute Holiday Puzzles for Kids

E.Z. Case

Keynote

The sun-sational puzzle mystery book where young detectives can pit their wits in the summer holiday sun with 60 cases to solve - if you think you can handle them!

Description

There are some very unusual goings-on around town this summer - holidaymakers are losing their flipflops, mysterious messages are washing up on the beach and there's no ice cream to be found anywhere! Detective E.Z. Case needs a brave assistant to help get to the bottom of it all. Readers must pack their sun-tan lotion and put their puzzle-solving skills to the test to solve the mysteries and find out whodunnit and why.

There are 60 puzzles to solve, for 7+ readers, ranging from easy-peasy to diabolically difficult. With logic problems, number puzzles, mazes, maps and more, you'll need your wits about you to catch the culprits.

The bite-sized, five-minute mysteries are perfect to dip in to on your summer holiday - or even if you're chilling at home this summer - so grab your detective hat and start puzzling.

Sales Points

- Capitalising on the expanding market and huge appetite for puzzle books, and extending our successful *Cluedunnit* series
- Five-minute fun - 60 bite-sized puzzles to dip into at home or whilst traveling, perfect for summer holidays away or for filling days at home when the kids are off school
- Features a mixture of different puzzle types suitable for international markets, from logic grids and lateral thinking to picture puzzles and numerical conundrums
- Child-friendly crimes to crack with a light narrative framing each mystery
- Bestsellers such as *Secret Code Games for Clever Kids* and *Murdle Junior* show that the mystery puzzle trend is filtering down to the children's market

Author Biography

Detective E.Z. Case helps you pit your wits against cunning criminals to solve fun mystery puzzles in minutes!

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The Retirement Plan

The most entertaining and deliciously dark debut of 2025

Sue Hincenbergs

Keynote

The ultimate crime caper, filled with humour and heart: *THE RETIREMENT PLAN* is the perfect new book for fans of *THE THURSDAY MURDER CLUB* and *HOW TO KILL YOUR FAMILY*

Description

<h3>Dark humour, dirty deeds, marriages and murder . . . The perfect new read for fans of *The Thursday Murder Club* and *How to Kill Your Family*</h3>

'An absolute scream from the first page to the last' Janice Hallett, author of *The Appeal*

'Certainly a match for Richard Osman' *Daily Mail*

'Incredibly funny with plot twists you won't see coming' *Stylist*

Their husbands are driving them mad, and murder is on their minds . . . but the men have a plan of their own.

Pam, Nancy and Shalisa once imagined retirement would mean setting aside their worries, picking up their margaritas, and lying back in a hot tub. Right up until their husbands lost all their savings in a reckless investment.

Now, collecting their husbands' life insurance is starting to sound more appealing than growing old with them. But enlisting the help of the local barber/hitman isn't merely the most daring thing the friends have ever done - it's also where the trouble really begins.

Because they don't realise their husbands have some tricks up their sleeves. And there's no turning back now . . .

<h3>From the first laugh to the final twist, *The Retirement Plan* is full of characters who will steal your heart while plotting their dark deeds.</h3>

'Clever, funny, tender. A triumph' Jennie Godfrey, author of *The List of Suspicious Things*

'Blending *Desperate Housewives* and *White Lotus* vibes, this is a darkly funny crime novel' *My Weekly*

'Funny, twisty, deviously dark!' Sarah Pearse, author of *The Sanatorium*

'If crazy, switcheroo mysteries with a dark comic edge are your thing, then *The Retirement Plan* is the summer read for you' *Irish Independent*

'A total riot' Clare Pooley, author of *The Authenticity Project*

'Hincenbergs knocks it out of the park' *Publishers Weekly*, starred review

'Thoroughly addictive' Ian Moore, author of *Death and Croissants*

'A triumphant crime caper' *Irish News*

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'Absolutely hilarious' Jessica Bull, author of *Miss Austen Investigates*

'Packed full of humour and charm' Amy McCulloch, author of *Breathless*

'Deliciously funny and unpredictable' Keith Stuart, author of *A Boy Made of Blocks*

Sales Points

- **GLOBAL PHENOMENON:** Sold in **17 territories**, many in **major pre-empts**, and a **No.1 bestseller in Canada**
- **LITTLE, BROWN'S COMMERCIAL SUPERLEAD:** Building on the major marketing and publicity campaign for the first formats, and positioning *THE RETIREMENT PLAN* as 2026's summer read
- **THE YEAR'S BIG BOOK:** For readers who have to have that one huge book a year, such as Nita Prose's **THE MAID** (120.5k PB TCM), Bella Mackie's **HOW TO KILL YOUR FAMILY** (717.3k PB TCM) and Richard Osman's **THE THURSDAY MURDER CLUB** (1.7m PB TCM)
- **COMING TO SCREENS SOON:** Film and TV rights sold to Wiip, **the production studio behind MARE OF EASTTOWN**, to be produced by Will Gluck (*EASY A*, *PETER RABBIT*, *ANYONE BUT YOU*)

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Reviews

- '**Ingenious, twisty and often hilarious. Certainly a match for *The Thursday Murder Club***' - *DAILY MAIL*
- '**An absolute scream from first page to last**' - JANICE HALLETT
- '**A razor sharp, clever, funny novel . . . It's a triumph**' - JENNIE GODFREY
- '**Incredibly funny with plot twists you won't see coming**' - *STYLIST*

Author Biography

Sue Hincenbergs is a former television producer who has worked on multiple award-winning programmes ranging from sitcoms to lifestyle. She oversaw the content on two national daily shows, including Canada's longest-running morning show before turning her talents to live music specials. *The Retirement Plan* is her darkly humorous first novel.

Sue lives in Toronto with her (very much alive) husband, her scruffy, middle-aged rescue dog Kramer, and the rooms full of the stuff her three sons left behind when they moved out. The porch light is always on in case one comes by for a visit.

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The Magic Faraway Tree: The Magic Faraway Tree Sticker Activity Book

Enid Blyton

Keynote

Step into the fantastical world of Enid Blyton's *Magic Faraway Tree*, with this enchanting sticker activity book!

Description

Climb up the Faraway Tree to join your new friends, Silky and Moonface! Stick, draw, colour and discover the magic!

In this collection of colouring and puzzles, you can design your perfect birthday cake in the Land of Birthdays, go to the Land of Goodies to get your fill of sweets, and visit the Land of the Saucepan Man to help him find his missing pans!

With art by Mark Beech, this sticker activity book is the perfect companion to the ever-popular *Magic Faraway Tree* series by Enid Blyton, the world's best-loved storyteller. Now a major motion picture!

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Sales Points

- Enid Blyton has been a global bestseller for over 80 years - more than 500 million books sold worldwide.
- The Magic Faraway Tree has been one of the bestselling and most beloved of Enid Blyton's books for over 80 years.
- Major feature film of The Magic Faraway Tree to come from Neal Street Studios.

Author Biography

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

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

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

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| CBMC | B5L79 |
| Age | 5-7 years |
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| Type | Activity Book |
| Character | Non-character |
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| Extent | 16 pages |
| Word Count | |
| Series | The Magic Faraway Tree |
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| Not for Sale | Can; USA |
| Author born in | East Dulwich |
| Author living in | Deceased |

Previous Titles

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

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The Magic Faraway Tree Colouring Book

Enid Blyton

Keynote

Discover the fantastical world of *The Magic Faraway Tree* by best-loved author Enid Blyton with this enchanting colouring book.

Description

Discover the fantastical world of *The Magic Faraway Tree* with this enchanting colouring book.

Colour in all your favourite characters including Moonface, Silky the fairy and the Saucepan Man. With art by Mark Beech, this colouring book is the perfect companion to the ever-popular *The Magic Faraway Tree* series by Enid Blyton, the world's best-loved storyteller. Now a major motion picture!

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| Thema 1.6 | Children's interactive and activity: drawing, colouring and painting (YBGC) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF) |

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| CBMC | B5L79 |
| Age | 5-7 years |
| Subject | Non-fiction |
| Type | Activity Book |
| Character | Non-character |
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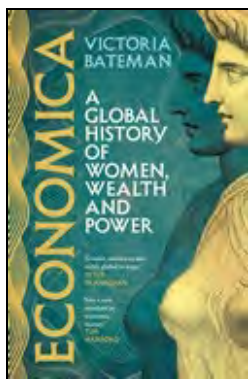
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Economica A Financial Times Best Book of 2025

Victoria Bateman

Keynote

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

Description

'Erudite, ambitious and richly global in scope' - PETER FRANKOPAN, author of *The Silk Roads*

'This book sets a new standard in economic history' - TIM HARFORD, author of *How To Make the World Add Up*

THE UNTOLD STORY OF HOW WOMEN MADE THE WORLD WEALTHY

Humanity's journey from poverty to prosperity is filled with men who have become household names. But how many female entrepreneurs, merchants and industrialists can you name?

Economica places women at the centre of the story of economic growth. Starting in the Stone Age and continuing to the present day, it takes the reader through the key economic milestones of the past twelve millennia - from the birth of farming to the advent of computing - all told through the experiences of women as well as men.

Historian Victoria Bateman weaves a thrilling, globe-spanning narrative that proves women weren't 'missing' from economic life, they were merely hidden from view. We discover the female workers who helped to build the Great Pyramid of Giza, and to plumb the city of ancient Rome; the silk weavers who made a vital contribution to the development of the Silk Road and global trade; the women who dominated London's brewing trade during medieval times; and the brave twentieth-century pioneers who fought to make our economies not just richer but fairer.

***Economica* rewrites our understanding of women's role in the economy, and tells a more accurate economic history of us all.**

'Victoria Bateman's revelatory and compelling new book puts women at the very heart of mankind's economic history. *Economica* should help ensure that's where they will remain' - BEN CHU, BBC

'A must-read for anyone interested in women's history and economic justice' - AMANDA FOREMAN, author of *Georgiana* and *A World on Fire*

Sales Points

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

Reviews

- **'Erudite, ambitious and richly global in scope,** *Economica* shows how women's economic labour has so often been overlooked, ignored or relegated to obscurity. Victoria Bateman's **fascinating** book does not just offer a corrective to the past, but serves as a vital guide to our collective futures' - Peter Frankopan, author of *The Silk Roads*
- **'Ambitious, wide-ranging and absorbing - this book sets a new standard in economic history'** - Tim Harford, author of *How To Make The World Add Up*
- **'Victoria Bateman's *Economica* is a must-read** for anyone interested in women's history and economic justice. Bateman powerfully argues that women have always been central to economic life, from 18th-century shoemakers like Ann Askew to pioneers like Priscilla Wakefield, who founded the UK's first bank for women and children. For centuries, laws and social norms have constrained women's economic freedom, not only limiting individual potential but also undermining prosperity for all. Her research reminds us: economies thrive when women have the autonomy to work, earn, and control their wealth' - Amanda Foreman, author of *Georgiana: Duchess of Devonshire* and *A World On Fire*
- **'Victoria Bateman's revelatory and compelling** new book puts women at the very heart of mankind's economic history. *Economica* should help ensure that's where they will remain' - Ben Chu, BBC

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Author Biography

Victoria Bateman is author of the critically acclaimed *Naked Feminism: Breaking the Cult of Female Modesty* and *The Sex Factor: How Women Made the West Rich*. She is resident economic historian on the BBC Radio 4 series *Understand: The Economy* and acts as a historical consultant to a major television production company. She has taught at the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, including as Director of Studies in Economics and Lecturer in Economic History. Victoria has been profiled by *The Times* and *Daily Mail*, has written for national and international press, including the *Guardian*, *i*, *Telegraph* and *Bloomberg*, and has appeared on numerous occasions on radio and television. Victoria is the winner of the 2026 Hajnal Prize for Excellence in Economic History.

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Shadow Cell an explosive insider account of the world's new spy war from ex-CIA operatives

Andrew and Jihhi Bustamante

Keynote

A thrilling firsthand account by husband-and-wife ex-CIA operatives.

Description

THE INSTANT *NEW YORK TIMES* BESTSELLER

A thrilling first-hand account by husband-and-wife CIA operatives who, against all odds, triumphed in a deadly cat-and-mouse game against a mole within the intelligence agency - an unprecedented insider view of 21st-century spycraft.

Andrew and Jihhi Bustamante were a 'tandem couple': married spies who'd dedicated their lives to the CIA. They met as trainees at Langley, and got married while hunting terrorists across the globe. Then, suddenly, they were assigned to a mission so sensitive and explosive that the CIA has still never acknowledged it. The CIA's source network in a country code-named 'Falcon' - one of America's most formidable rivals - had been compromised by a mole, and the agency needed a new way to collect intelligence there. Young newlyweds the Bustamantes were considered safe choices for this daunting task precisely because they had no experience in Falcon. They were also loyal, forgettable, and completely disposable - operatives who could help to strengthen the CIA's position in Falcon while simultaneously serving as bait for the mole.

But although their superiors at the CIA didn't realize it, the Bustamantes also brought another advantage to the table: a granular understanding of how terrorist cells operate, and how the agency could exploit those same tactics to keep the West safe. Assembling a rag-tag team of fellow operatives and recruiting new sources from Falcon, the Bustamantes pioneered a new way of spying by building a cell of their own, right at the heart of the CIA.

The propulsive, untold tale of one of history's greatest intelligence crises and the unlikely band of agents who were sent in to clean up the mess, *Shadow Cell* allows us to peer behind the curtain to see how today's spy wars are being fought - and won.

Sales Points

- A fascinating and authentic insider's account of the CIA, packed with riveting detail.
- Globally relevant - the spy-craft methods employed by the Bustamantes have been adopted worldwide due to their success in Falcon.
- With Trump's re-election, embrace of isolationist policies, and break down of geopolitical ties, an insider account of spying in a hostile nation is highly topical.
- Promotable author with a growing public profile, and British ghostwriter.

Reviews

- 'A pacy and fascinating read. I suspect the closest an outsider will get to sitting in on CIA training in agent-running.' - Professor Sir David Omand, former director of GCHQ and author of *How Spies Think*
- '*Shadow Cell* rips the curtain off the modern spy game with the kind of insider access only two former CIA operatives could provide. It's a rare glimpse into the shadow war of the 21st century, where loyalty is tested, trust is weaponized, and victory comes at a personal cost.' - Jack Carr, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *Red Sky Mourning*
- 'The "Shadow Cell" operation is arguably one of the most esoteric, innovative, and successful by CIA to date. It is also proof of how important fresh blood is to any organization. As you will read, the selection of these two young officers was a gamble that not only paid off but also exceeded everyone's expectations. **Reads like a novel, educates like a thesis.** I truly enjoyed the read and even learned a trick or two.' - Ric Prado, New York Times bestselling author of *Black Ops*, and former Chief of Operations at CIA's Counterterrorism Center
- 'On one level, this is an important story of how two CIA officers fell in love, married and set up a rogue spy agency in the heart of an enemy state. Their unorthodox methods, borrowed from the playbook of Al Qaida, are now standard practice in US counter-intelligence. But the book is also a tense thriller in which Andrew and Jihhi Bustamante are both the hunters and the hunted in a cat and mouse game with a dangerous double agent working in the heart of the CIA. **Every page is more gripping than the last, propelling the reader to its exciting finale.**' - Robert Verkaik, author of *The Traitor of Colditz* and *Jihadi John*

Author Biography

Andrew Bustamante (Author)

Andrew Bustamante is a former CIA intelligence officer who served in the US military in Afghanistan and Iraq before being recruited into the CIA's National Clandestine Service where he served for 7 years handling sensitive operations still classified Top Secret. He is

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Jihi Bustamante is also a former CIA intelligence officer and the Vice-President of *EverydaySpy*. After earning two masters degrees and a law degree, Jihi was recruited into CIA's National Clandestine Service from a career in social work supporting female refugees fleeing sex trafficking and genocide. Unlike her public-facing husband, Jihi remains private in both her personal and professional lives.

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Binding **Trade Paperback**
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Party of Liars

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Pretty Dead Things

the dazzling new thriller with a jaw-dropping twist from the bestselling author of Party of Liars

Kelsey Cox

Keynote

A long-buried secret. A beauty pageant turned deadly. A town frozen in fear.

Description

Beauty dies. But secrets never do . . .

Twenty-five years ago, Isabelle Whitmore vanished without a trace during the Lone Star Princess Pageant in Anhalt, Texas. This year, the pageant is offering more than just its annual dose of rhinestone heels and plunging necklines - Isabelle's sister, Ingrid Whitmore, is back and looking for revenge.

But just as confrontations and old rivalries reach their boiling point, the temperature plummets: record-breaking snow and freezing rain bring down the state's entire power grid.

With everyone trapped under one roof, secrets will be spilled, scores will be settled - and more than one beautiful liar will end up dead.

Sales Points

- **HOOKY CONCEPT:** This is Miss Congeniality with murder, with fascinating talking points around mothers and daughters, the beauty industry and its toxicity, ageing, and the pressures put on women today.
- **STRONG US SUPPORT:** This is backed by a major marketing and PR campaign from Kelsey's US publisher, Minotaur, and we anticipate strong presence and reviews in the US.

Reviews

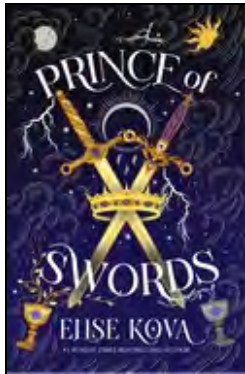
- **'PRAISE FOR KELSEY COX'S DAZZLING THRILLERS'**
- 'A glamorous party in a lavish mansion and a brilliant cast of characters, none of whom can be trusted. **Loved this book - can't wait to see what Kelsey writes next!** - Catherine Cooper
- '*Big Little Lies* meets *Rebecca* - **the thriller of the summer!** - Katie Gutierrez
- 'Cox's second suspenseful outing (after *Party of Liar*, 2025) serves the exact amount of treachery you'd expect, with lots of figurative backstabbing and a few literal deaths. The diverting characters parade their messes across the page for the reader's judging, and there's no shortage of options for who'll be crowned killer in the end.' - *Booklist*

Author Biography

Kelsey Cox received her MFA in fiction from Purdue University and works from home in the Texas Hill Country. You can often find her writing at Mammen Family Public Library, chasing around her two young daughters, or watching British mysteries with her mom and aunts. On nights when bedtime goes as planned, she enjoys curling up on the sofa, glass of wine in hand, and a book with complicated characters and a killer twist in her lap.

Market

For fans of Liane Moriarty, Lisa Jewell and Louise Candlish - this is clever, upmarket suspense.



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Prince of Swords

the earth-shattering sequel to the Sunday Times bestselling sensation ARCANA ACADEMY

Elise Kova

Keynote

Welcome back to Arcana Academy. Tarot magic, forbidden desire, battle, and betrayal collide for the power to change the world in the thrilling second book of this Sunday Times and New York Times bestselling fantasy romance series.

Description

I am terrified. Yet my heart skips a beat. This man might be a monster, but he is my monster.

Clara Graysword is Oricalis's most wanted. Hunted and cornered, not even her mastery of tarot can save her this time . . . until the mysterious Worldkeepers appear. This secretive order may hold the key to changing Clara's fate. If she dares to trust them.

But the most dangerous alliance of all is one she's already deeply ensnared within: Prince Kaelis.

Kaelis, second-born prince of Oricalis and headmaster of Arcana Academy, is the one man she can't escape - maybe she doesn't *want* to escape. Ruthless, dangerous, and bound to Clara by destiny and desire, Kaelis tests her heart as much as her loyalty. Together, they grow closer to the most powerful secrets of the tarot . . . and to the truths they both hide that could destroy the passion that they no longer deny.

Hidden in plain sight within Arcana Academy, Clara walks the dagger's edge. Revelations about Oricalis threaten everything she thought she knew, and every choice she makes is the difference between salvation and ruin.

To change the world, Clara must risk everything - her power, her beliefs, and her heart.

Sales Points

- Elise Kova is a self-published powerhouse, who has sold over 500,000 copies of one self-published series and over 1 million of another. Her writing is brilliantly romantic and she has legions of fans dying for more books. She is a USA Today and Amazon Top 10 bestselling author, and she has almost 70k followers on Instagram and 63.5k followers on TikTok, as well as a newsletter with 74k subscribers.
- Dark academia meets romantic fantasy: combining two of the most popular genres in fantasy of the moment, this is an absolute winner, with everything a fantasy reader could want. Tarot cards, a freed prisoner, a dark academy, an enigmatic prince, sizzling tension and dangerous magic.
- Perfect for fans of Sarah J. Maas, Stephanie Garber, Kerri Maniscalco, Raven Kennedy, and Danielle L Jensen
- Major US campaign: bought by Del Rey in a 7-figure auction, this will have a major US campaign, with huge buzz to jump behind

Author Biography

Elise Kova is a #1 *Sunday Times* and *New York Times* bestselling author. She enjoys telling stories of fantasy worlds filled with magic and deep emotions. When not writing, can be found playing video games, drawing, chatting with readers on social media, or daydreaming about her next story.



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The Place of Shells

'An extraordinary, beautiful novel' Sarah Bernstein,
Booker-shortlisted author of *Study for Obedience*

Mai Ishizawa

Translated by **Polly Barton**

Keynote

Winner of the Akutagawa Prize, a masterful novel about loss and memory in the aftermath of disaster

Description

WINNER OF THE AKUTAGAWA PRIZE

'A hypnotic dissection of memory, trauma and belonging'

New Statesman

'This attempt to imprint upon humanity the experiences of the 2011 Tōhoku earthquake and tsunami in a way that only a novel can achieve deserves to be highly esteemed'

Yoko Ogawa, author of *The Memory Police*

'Here we find a form of language that attempts to venture, dancing, into a past enveloped in silence'

Yoko Tawada, author of *The Last Children of Tokyo*

'An eerie, shimmering fever dream . . . strange and beautiful'

Jenny Mustard, author of *Okay Days*

At a train station in Germany, a Japanese student meets an old friend. Nomiya died a decade earlier in the Tōhoku tsunami, but he has suddenly returned.

The reunited friends share a past that's a world away from the tranquility of Göttingen. Yet Nomiya's arrival destabilises something in the city: mysterious guests appear, eerie discoveries are made in the forest and, as the past becomes increasingly vivid, the threads of time threaten to unravel.

Sales Points

- **A BRILLIANT, PRIZE-WINNING LITERARY DEBUT.** *The Place of Shells* received the prestigious Akutagawa Prize in Japan. Previous winners include Sayaka Murata (author of *Convenience Store Woman*), Yoko Ogawa (author of *The Memory Police*) and Mieko Kawakami (author of *Heaven*).
- **FROM THE TRANSLATOR OF BUTTER.** As well as translating the literary sensation *Butter*, Polly Barton is an award-winning author, with a debut novel publishing in 2026.
- **FOR FANS OF W.G. SEBALD'S THE RINGS OF SATURN AND YOKO OGAWA'S THE MEMORY POLICE.** This is an unforgettable exploration of memory and the past's haunting presence, set in Germany and Japan.

Author Biography

Mai Ishizawa was born in 1980 in Sendai City, Japan, and currently lives in Germany. Her debut novel, *The Place of Shells*, won the Akutagawa Prize.

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Now What? You, your life and the truth you've been avoiding

Gary John Bishop

Keynote

The *New York Times* bestselling author of *Unfu*k Yourself* helps you get out of the past, focus on the future, and build the life you've always wanted.

Description

The *New York Times* bestselling author of *Unfu*k Yourself* helps you get out of the past, focus on the future, and build the life you've always wanted.

There are countless self-help books telling you how to get the life you want-how to find your purpose, make your plan, follow your goals. Yet, too many of us are frozen in life, unfulfilled and stuck with what we have.

Too often, we only see our future through a lens of the past-our past beliefs, experiences, and circumstances. We desire lives that are 'better', 'more', or 'different'. But we need to focus on crafting a life of invention, completely free of the constraints of what has been, and Gary John Bishop has the answer.

Now What? is your guide to building the right mindset to reinvent not only your life but what you are devoting your life to. Be warned though: Gary's message isn't for the faint of heart. You will be confronted and unsettled, challenged and provoked. But on the other side is an invigorating, hands-on approach to living life. Your life. Maybe even a life you never believed you could have. Let's fu*king go.

Sales Points

- FOLLOW UP TO NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER UNFU*K YOURSELF which has sold over half a million copies across all formats
- THE STRAIGHT TALKING GLASWEGIAN delivers his unique brand of tough love to an audience looking for answers.
- SPEAKS TO GROWING BELIEF IN INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY AND RESILIANCE in an increasingly fractured world. (CI Jan 2026).
- OVER HALF A MILLION FOLLOWERS across Facebook (330k), Instagram (120k), YouTube, and email subscribers.

Author Biography

Born and raised in Glasgow, Gary John Bishop moved to the US in 1997. This opened up his pathway to the world of personal development, specifically to ontology and phenomenology in which he was rigorously trained for a number of years before becoming a senior programme director with one of the world's leading personal development companies. His lifelong commitment to shifting people's ability to exert real change in their lives drives him each and every day. He has a no-frills approach that has brought him an ever increasing following, drawn to the simplicity and real-world use of his work. He lives in Florida with his wife and three sons.

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Kingdom of the Feared

the addictive and intoxicating fantasy romance finale to the Kingdom of the Wicked series (Kingdom of the Wicked Book 3)

Kerri Maniscalco

Keynote

From the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of the *Stalking Jack the Ripper* series comes the dazzling conclusion to the *Kingdom of the Wicked* trilogy.

Description

TWO CURSES. ONE PROPHECY. ALL HAIL THE KING AND QUEEN OF HELL.

Emilia yearns to claim her king, the seductive Prince of Wrath, in the flesh. She wants him, heart and soul - but that's something the enigmatic demon can't promise her.

When a high-ranking member of House Greed is assassinated, evidence points to *Vittoria* as the murderer. Now, Emilia will do anything to discover the truth of these accusations against the sister she thought she knew.

As Emilia and Wrath play a game of deception to solve the murder and stop the unrest brewing in Hell. When it comes to the *Wicked*, nothing is as it seems, but have the true villains been much closer all along?

#1 *New York Times* bestselling author Kerri Maniscalco delivers sizzling romance and unexpected twists in this unforgettable conclusion to the *Kingdom of the Wicked* series.

Sales Points

- Kerri is a tireless self-promoter with over 150,000 followers on Instagram, as well as a frequently-updated blog and Facebook page.
- Kerri Maniscalco is a #1 *New York Times* bestselling author for her *Stalking Jack the Ripper* and *Prince of Sin* series
- This fits perfectly into the popular canon of dark, young adult fantasy, such as *Wilder Girls*, *The Beautiful*, *House of Salt and Sorrow* and *The Cruel Prince*.
- New stunning cover designs and inside cover printing

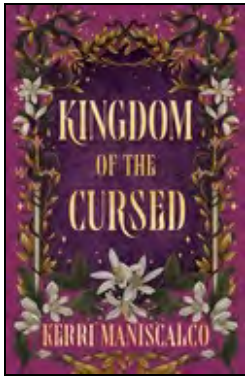
Reviews

- 'It wraps up the trilogy perfectly, offering up a hopeful - and oh so steamy - conclusion befitting the sinful world it revolves around. With this favourite fantasy series drawn to a close, all we can do now is patiently wait to see what fictional magic Kerri Maniscalco writes next' - *Culturefly on Kingdom of the Feared*

Author Biography

Kerri Maniscalco is the #1 *New York Times* and *Sunday Times* bestselling author of the *Stalking Jack the Ripper* series, the *Kingdom of the Wicked* series and her adult fantasy romance *Prince of Sin* series, including *Throne of the Fallen*, *Throne of Secrets* and *Throne of Nightmares*.

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



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Kingdom of the Cursed

the addictive and alluring fantasy romance set in a world of demon princes and dangerous desires (Kingdom of the Wicked Book 2)

Kerri Maniscalco

Keynote

From the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author Kerri Maniscalco comes the *Sunday Times* bestselling sizzling and sweepingly romantic sequel to *Kingdom of the Wicked*.

Description

One sister. Two sinful princes. Infinite deception with a side of revenge . . . Welcome to Hell.

From the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author Kerri Maniscalco comes the *Sunday Times* bestselling sizzling and sweepingly romantic sequel to *Kingdom of the Wicked*.

With the **Prince of Wrath** at her side, **Emilia** sold her soul to become Queen of the Wicked and travelled to the Seven Circles to fulfil her vow of avenging her sister.

But the first rule of the Wicked? Trust no one. And it's soon clear that nothing in Hell is what it seems. Even Wrath may be keeping secrets about his true nature. But that suits Emilia just fine - she's got secrets of her own.

Faced with backstabbing courtiers, princes who delight in fear, luxurious palaces, dazzling galas, and conflicting clues, Emilia finds herself on a mission to unlock the mysteries of her own past and uncover the answers she craves.

As long as her sins don't catch up to her first . . .

This scorching romantasy is perfect for fans of Stephanie Garber, Carissa Broadbent, Lexi Ryan, Lauren Roberts.

Sales Points

- Kerri is a tireless self-promoter with over 150,000 followers on Instagram, as well as a frequently-updated blog and Facebook page.
- Kerri Maniscalco is a #1 *New York Times* bestselling author for her Stalking Jack the Ripper and Prince of Sin series
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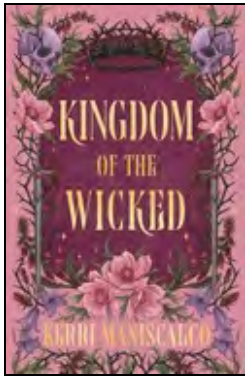
Reviews

- **'A delicious and intoxicating new fantasy by a master of murder and mayhem'** - Elizabeth Lim, author of *Spin the Dawn*
- 'An intoxicating, tightly plotted feast for the senses' - *Kirkus*
- **'A fast-paced adventure steeped in a luscious and dark world'** - Chloe Gong, NYT bestselling author of *These Violent Delights*
- '[The] embodiment of the fire emoji ... it makes for the most sizzling, intoxicating scenes. Sexy, smouldering and fuelled with a passionate rage befitting Wrath himself, *Kingdom of the Cursed* does something that not all sequels can do: it outshines the book that came before' - *Culturefly*

Author Biography

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



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Kingdom of the Wicked

The addictive and intoxicating romantasy set in the world of dark demon princes and spellbinding romance (Kingdom of the Wicked Book 1)

Kerri Maniscalco

Keynote

Two sisters. One brutal murder. A quest for vengeance that will unleash Hell itself. A new blockbuster series from the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *Stalking Jack the Ripper*.

Description

Two sisters. One brutal murder. A quest for vengeance that will unleash Hell itself . . .

The start of an addictive, intoxicating and darkly romantic fantasy series from a *Sunday Times* and *New York Times* bestselling author.

Emilia and her twin sister Vittoria are witches, forced to live their lives in secret to avoid persecution. Until one night, Vittoria doesn't come home . . .

Then Emilia finds her body, desecrated beyond belief. Devastated, she vows revenge at any cost: even if it means using forbidden magic - or summoning Wrath, one of the princes of the Wicked.

Deadly, handsome, and brooding, Wrath claims to be on Emilia's side, tasked with solving a series of murders on the island.

But when it comes to the Wicked, nothing is as it seems . . .

This scorching romantasy is perfect for fans of Stephanie Garber, Carissa Broadbent, Lexi Ryan, Lauren Roberts.

Sales Points

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Reviews

- **'A delicious and intoxicating new fantasy by a master of murder and mayhem, not to be devoured on an empty stomach!' - Elizabeth Lim, author of *Spin the Dawn***
- **'A fast-paced adventure steeped in a luscious and dark world. *Kingdom of the Wicked* envisions a gothic, magical Italy as you've never seen before, filled with creatures of the night trying to steal your heart-in more ways than one' - Chloe Gong, author of *These Violent Delights***
- 'A really enjoyable read filled with action, magic, intrigue and surprise . . . and just a bit of lust too!' - *Booksnest*
- 'Read the book! I thoroughly enjoyed every page. From the fascinating characters, to the magical story and the gorgeous writing. I don't see a reason to not read the book. Witches, Witch Hunters, Magic, Demons, Italian cooking. What more could you possibly want?' - *Geek Galaxy*

Author Biography

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A Fate so Dark and Delicate

The slow-burn romantasy with sizzling tension, secrets and twists!

Sophia St. Germain

Keynote

The fourth book in the TikTok hit slow-burn romantasy series, that follows half-Fae Elessia as she is blackmailed by a fae king into infiltrating an election in order to win her own freedom, perfect for fans of Holly Black and Raven Kennedy.

Description

'You'll have me in every lifetime. In this one, and what comes next, and whatever comes after that, you'll have me'

A Fate so Dark and Delicate is the fourth in an epic, spicy, slow-burn romantasy series from Sophia St Germain, perfect for fans of Gild, The Cruel Prince, The Veiled Kingdom, and Sarah J Maas.

The king is dead, but Havlands is still in turmoil, plagued by distrust amongst the conquered rebels, shifters, Fae, and humans.

With the impending threat of the invading Oakgards' Fae, Elessia and her friends find themselves in a race to unite their fractured realm. But as Elessia grapples with the deadly implications of her newfound powers, she and Merrick discover a devastating truth: the price of her new gifts may force them to leave Havlands and their friends behind to face the looming war alone.

As Elessia and Merrick journey to Vastala in desperate search of answers, their friends must survive the brutal politics of a collapsing realm on their own. Bonds are tested, loyalties shift, and the lines between ally and enemy blur. And with fate at the door, they each must decide whether answering the call of destiny is worth facing the shadows that haunt them-all before it's too late.

Readers can't get enough of *The Compelling Fates Saga*!

'This series continues to impress me with **its ability to make me feel**. It's dramatic, emotional, and immersive in a way that makes you live alongside the characters. Sophia St. Germain has truly mastered writing fantasy romance that blends heartache, resilience, and **the kind of passion that leaves you breathless.**' **5 ⭐ reader review**

'This is a fast paced, **emotional rollercoaster** and you know what, I love it. Sophia is an incredibly talented author' **5 ⭐ reader review**

'Sophia, I dub thee the **Queen of Emotional Cliffhangers!**' **5 ⭐ reader review**

'I know that **book four is going to absolutely wreck me** - likely in both a wonderful way, as well an emotionally scarring one but I am absolutely here for it!' **5 ⭐ reader review**

Sales Points

- **A DELICIOUSLY SPICY SLOW-BURN ENEMIES-TO-LOVERS FAE ROMANTASY:** Half-Fae Elessia is blackmailed by a fae king into infiltrating an election in order to win her own freedom. Shadowed by her (brooding and mysterious) fae bodyguard, and wrestling with her feelings for the unexpectedly charismatic human regent whom she is tasked to betray, Elessia must make the choice between her own freedom and that of a nation.
- **SOPHIA ST GERMAIN IS A BOOKTOK AND BOOKSTAGRAM STAR!** With 8.9k followers and 646k likes on TikTok, and 21.3k followers on Instagram, Sophia St Germain is a brilliant new voice in the romantasy space and her self-published editions of this series have also hit the Amazon top 100 in the UK, US and Australia - and her star continues to rise!
- **SERIES CAMPAIGN TO PRESERVE MOMENTUM:** Using our romantasy blogger connections, an influencer list from the author and a bespoke 'Sophia St Germain influencer list', we will engage BookTokers and Bookstagrammers in our ongoing publishing of the Compelling Fates Saga, to really grow the organic support and visibility and build on the series sales potential and audience.
- **HEADLINE ETERNAL:** At Eternal, Headline's boutique romance imprint, our mission is to ensure that we publish the perfect love story for every reader. With an impressive track record in publishing self-published romance and romantasy stars such as Amber V. Nicole, Penn Cole, Mariana Zapata, Sarah Adams, and more, we are excited to

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Author Biography

Sophia St. Germain has always loved reading fantasy and romance. She writes dark, high fantasy romances and is a big fan of found family, enemies to lovers, strong but flawed FMCs, and the morally gray MMCs who love them.

Originally from Sweden, Sophia moved to the US in 2019 but has also lived in France, Norway, and Belgium. She uses influences from her travels and the different cultures she's experienced in her books and characters.

Sophia works in tech by day and writes and reads by night (and, let's be honest, very early mornings).

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Four Terrible Parents

An addictive story of love, jealousy and the curse of trying to have it all | 'Brilliant' Kim Gordon

Calla Henkel

Keynote

A stylish, twisty, and darkly humorous novel exploring what happens when the dream of starting your own family turns into a nightmare.

Description

What happens when the dream of starting your own family turns into a nightmare?

Valentine and Raul have been touring in their indie-sleaze band SEZME since their college days, but as they enter their early forties priorities change. It's time to move out of Berlin and start settling down. Raul is ready to marry his partner, Banner, and Valentine wants to start a family with her on-and-off-again partner, Linh, but she isn't quite ready to let go of the band.

Determined to piece together the perfect life with the band and a family, Valetine begins planning, and when she inherits the crumbling Southern gothic hotel she grew up in from her late father, it feels like fate. Convincing Raul, Banner and Linh to join her in renovating the hotel, she begins to dream up a queer family life together after facing a homophobic upbringing. But as the four of them navigate their new life and welcome a daughter, August, their relationships start to sour. On the night of the hotel's grand opening, what's meant to be an evening of celebration turns into a nightmare as August goes missing.

Stylish, twisty and laced with dark humour, *Four Terrible Parents* is a story of power, love, responsibility and what happens when parents turn on each other. And then the world turns on them.

Sales Points

- **A twisty mystery:** The book is a sophisticated take on a whodunnit with great narrative momentum. Calla is a talented writer and this third novel is her most accomplished yet.
- **Huge PR potential with a wide audience:** Calla explores important themes in this novel including: parenting, gender, polygamy, homophobia, liberal politics and starting over in your forties. This offers plenty of hooks for PR to tap into a wide range of audiences across queer media, true crime fans, literary fiction readers and podcast listeners.
- **For readers of:** This would be ideal for fans of *The Guest* by Emma Cline, *Eileen* by Ottessa Moshfegh, and *Penance* by Eliza Clarke.
- **A rising literary star:** Calla has had great endorsements for her last two books across reviewers, authors and readers, and this book offers scope to strengthen her career even further.

Reviews

- **'Praise for Calla Henkel'**
- 'Blackly humorous and enjoyably twisted' - Paula Hawkins, author of *THE GIRL ON THE TRAIN*
- 'A sparkling debut . . . a very good plot-driven thriller dressed in a glittery jumpsuit' - *Guardian*
- 'Brutal, glamorous and genuinely unpredictable, it will blow your mind until the very last page' - *Stylist*

Author Biography

Calla Henkel is an American novelist, playwright, director and artist currently living in LA. She has staged plays at Volksbühne Berlin, The Whitney Museum of Art, as well as at New Theater, the experimental theatre space she founded and programmed in Berlin from 2013-2015. Her art writing has been published in periodicals such as *Texte zur Kunst*, *Spike*, *Mousse*, and others. Her artistic work with Max Pitegoff has been exhibited in museums and galleries worldwide. Her debut novel, *Other People's Clothes*, was published in 2021, and her second novel, *Scrap*, was published in 2024 and have both been sold in multiple translation territories.

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Main Characters

'an epic, heart-wrenching love story' Kate Sawyer

Bobby Palmer

Keynote

Bobby Palmer's highly anticipated new novel about love, friendship, dysfunctional families and life-changing connections. This is a love story, told by everyone but the main characters.

Description

'Cinematic and swoon-worthy (but not without its gut punches), this felt like a Nora Ephron movie... a fresh and original take on the telling of a love story - but somehow timeless'

CLAIRE DAVERLEY, author of *Talking at Night*

- 'I laughed, I teared up, I couldn't put it down. This is a love story like no other'
- 'This book gave me genuine joy and broke my heart'
- 'For fans of *Heartburn*, David Nicholls, Sally Rooney'
- 'A beautifully written, emotionally rich story that surprised me in the best way'
- 'These characters live in your head long after you've closed the book'
- 'Recommended for people watchers'
- 'So much more than it first appears. The characters are incredibly lifelike and layered'
- 'I truly felt like I was in the story'

Readers everywhere are talking about *Main Characters*, the highly anticipated novel about love, friendship, dysfunctional families and life-changing connections. This is a love story, told by everyone but the main characters.

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Clara and Seb are about to fall in love. They don't know it yet. But everybody else does.

When Clara and Seb meet in a quiet corner of London, it's the start of something. She wants to be a director. He's an actor, unsure what he wants from life.

Their connection is magnetic. Everyone can see that falling in love looks something like this. But when Clara casts Seb in the film that will make her name, what should be the happiest time of their lives ends with a gut-wrenching betrayal.

Some love stories are bigger than just two people. This one is told through the eyes of friends, flatmates, exes and strangers who see all the sides of Seb and Clara, from their first date to the moment they fell apart.

Everyone has their version of events. But only Clara and Seb can decide how their story ends...

PRAISE FOR MAIN CHARACTERS

'Moving, funny, wise and beautifully written. I love the idea of people's lives crossing over, the impressions we get from what we see and hear. I was so invested in the characters. If you love a smart, poignant, funny, gripping book, you will love this. I cannot recommend it enough' **JOANNA CANNON**

'Gorgeous, clever, utterly addictive' **PANDORA SYKES**

'If you love clever literary fiction, you will love this novel. If you love immersive commercial fiction, you will love this novel. If you love a portrayal of London that feels like a Richard Curtis movie, you will love this novel' **GEORGINA MOORE**

'The perfect book for anyone who's ever sat opposite a mysterious stranger on a train and wondered what's really going on behind those eyes' **JUSTIN MYERS**

Sales Points

- **THE LOVE STORY OF THE YEAR:** a unique pitch combined with Bobby's trademark flair for creating characters that break and heal the hearts of readers in the space of the same novel.
- **HUGE INTERNATIONAL BUZZ:** US rights sold at auction over London Book Fair 2025 to Little, Brown US for simultaneous publication. Translation rights pre-empted in Italy and Spain... and counting.
- **UNMISSABLE GLOBAL CAMPAIGN:** bold, buzzy and internationally joined-up campaign, with bespoke elements for each market. Stylish creative that brings the world and concept of the book vividly to life. Events, festival appearances, podcasts, extensive review coverage on publication and beyond
- **RISING STAR AUTHOR:** Bobby Palmer is an author and journalist. His critically

acclaimed debut novel, *Isaac and the Egg*, featured on BBC Radio 4's Open Book and was selected as by the Guardian as an 'Audiobook of the Week'. Bobby co-hosts 'Book Chat' with Pandora Sykes as a monthly audio feature in her popular Substack. He also judges the Nota Bene prize.

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Reviews

- 'An epic love story that's innovative and clever but with all the humour, character detail and heart wrenching emotional moments we have come to expect from Bobby Palmer's writing. Wonderful' - Kate Sawyer
- 'Gorgeous, clever, utterly addictive. A fresh take on the British romcom' - Pandora Sykes
- 'The love story you need in your life' - Georgina Moore

Author Biography

Bobby Palmer is both an author and journalist. His critically acclaimed debut novel, *Isaac and the Egg*, was a Waterstones Paperback of the Year in 2022; his second novel *Small Hours* was published in 2024. Bobby co-hosted the podcast *Book Chat* with Pandora Sykes and his writing has appeared in *GQ*, *Esquire*, *Men's Health*, *Cosmopolitan* amongst others. He lives with his family in Sussex.

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Dominion

Jean Kwok

Keynote

The first book in the heart-racing and transportive fantasy romance trilogy that is *Dire Bound* and *Fourth Wing* by way of Chinese mythology with majestic tygers set in a perilous world where a young woman with no memory and little magic may hold the key to uniting the Dominions and saving the mortal realm.

Description

'A page turner: tender yet tense, loving yet steamy, dangerous yet darkly humorous. *Dominion* draws gorgeously on Chinese mythology to create something entirely new.' - Brigitte Knightley

'A brilliant, captivating, deeply romantic fantasy debut! *Dominion* is an addictive read, and it's going to dazzle romantasy readers!' - Ali Hazelwood

A woman with no past. A warrior with no future. Their love could save the world-or burn it down.

In a world divided into four rival Dominions, power is everything-and Rubi Morningtail has almost none. Three years after the Annihilation destroyed her homeland and shattered her memories, she lives as an Azure refugee in the Dominion of the Silver Tyger, scraping by as a ribbon dancer and hiding her little bit of singing magic. When she wounds a massive battle-tyger on her doorstep, she draws the notice of Blake Axefire- supreme metal mage, leader of the royal tyger warriors, and the last man an Azure should trust. His sentence? Cast her into the Bonding, a brutal trial where tygers choose their riders and slaughter the rest. Surviving is unthinkable.

But survive she does. Now she's stuck on Blake's elite team racing to reseal the Anchors to the demon realm. With rebels striking, demons rising, and the Dominions at each other's throats, Rubi must unlock the truth of her magic and her past...while resisting her dangerous attraction to the ruthless warrior who could be her redemption-or her ruin.

'A lyrical fantasy where mythology and a hidden past intertwine with dangerous attraction.' - Danielle L. Jensen

'Scintillating romantasy from literary superstar.' - Thea Guanzon

Sales Points

- **Gem of a fantasy:** *Dominion*, transportive and heart-racing first book in *The Silk & Iron* trilogy, is *Dire Bound* and *Fourth Wing* by way of Chinese mythology and an unmissable pivot by internationally and *NYT* bestselling author Jean Kwok. It is a pitch-perfect combination of sizzling and complex romance, brutal trials, betrayal and long-buried secrets that will appeal to fans of *The Hunger Games* and *The Poppy War*. Moreover, who needs dragons and wolves when you've got majestic though vicious tygers at the heart of this world?
- **US partnership:** Putnam acquired the trilogy on a partial at auction for 7 figures. We would be working in close collaboration with them to launch *Dominion* with buzz and global excitement in July 2026. They are really throwing their weight behind it as a 2026 lead title with extensive marketing and publicity plans, so we are excited to partner up and give this fantasy a proper international outing on both sides of the Atlantic.
- **International buzz:** *Dominion* is also receiving a great reception internationally. The agents have received significant interest in Germany, a French pre-emptive offer and have accepted a pre-empt in Hungary.
- **BookTok-perfect:** Bringing together the best of a high-stakes fantasy with the twisty and accessible pacing of a romantasy in world inspired by non-Western setting and raising pertinent questions about female power and cultural prejudices, *Dominion* is set to take BookTokers, fantasy tastemakers and booksellers by storm. Jean included all the tropes but takes them to the next level with her exceptional writing and layered worldbuilding, offering something totally fresh for readers feeling fatigued by the generic romantasy in the market.
- **Author profile:** Jean Kwok is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Read with Jenna* pick *Searching for Sylvie Lee* and *Girl in Translation*. With this pivot, she has already received numerous endorsements from established fantasy authors and support from *People Magazine* and *Read with Jenna* for the announcement.

Reviews

- 'Romantic and action-packed, Kwok serves a searing entry into the genre of romantasy. DOMINION is a feast for the senses with deadly magic tournaments, mythical companion animals, and Chinese-inspired elements - with a burning romance and shocking twists. At the story's heart, Kwok draws a fierce yet tender character of diaspora in Rubi Morningtail as she grapples with fitting in to a new world and new identity.' - *Amélie Wen Zhao, New York Times bestselling author of The Scorpion and the Night Blossom*

- 'Vibrant worldbuilding, a brave heroine, and a dangerous romance. I'm ready for the second book!' - *Ilona Andrews, #1 New York Times bestselling author of Burn for Me*

Author Biography

Jean Kwok is the award-winning, *New York Times* and international bestselling author of *The Leftover Woman*, *Searching for Sylvie Lee*, *Girl in Translation* and *Mambo in Chinatown*. Her books have been chosen by Read with Jenna, CBS New York, Book of the Month, LibraryReads, Indie Next, Goodreads Choice Awards, Belletrist, Discover Great New Writers, and as a *Good Morning America* Buzz Pick. Most of her work is in development for film and television.

She has been chosen for numerous honors including the American Library Association Alex Award, the Chinese American Librarians Association Best Book Award, an Orange New Writers title and the *Sunday Times* Short Story Award international shortlist. She was one of twelve contemporary authors asked by the Agatha Christie estate to write an original, authorized Miss Marple story for *Marple: Twelve New Mysteries*.

She immigrated from Hong Kong to Brooklyn when she was five and worked in a Chinatown clothing factory for much of her childhood. She received her bachelor's degree from Harvard and completed an MFA in fiction at Columbia University, working as a professional ballroom dancer in between degrees.

She reviews for the *New York Times Book Review* and has served as fiction judge for International Thriller Writers, Tucson Festival of Books, Ragdale, and San Miguel Writers Conference. Her work has been published in more than twenty countries and is taught in schools across the world. She lives in the New York area.

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Mitz The Marmoset of Bloomsbury

Sigrid Nunez

Keynote

An intimate portrait of the life and marriage of Leonard and Virginia Woolf - and their pet marmoset monkey called Mitz - from the National Book Award-winning author of *THE FRIEND*

Description

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'A perfect little gem of a book' NIGEL NICOLSON

'Nunez takes us beneath the surface to the essential mysteries of the human heart' *WALL STREET JOURNAL*

In 1934, a 'sickly pathetic marmoset' came into the care of Leonard Woolf. After he nursed her back to health, Mitz became a ubiquitous presence in Bloomsbury society. Moving with Leonard and Virginia Woolf between London and Sussex, she developed her own special relationship with each of them, as well as with their cocker spaniels - and with various members of the Woolfs' circle, among them T. S. Eliot and Vita Sackville-West.

This tender and imaginative mock biography offers a striking look at the lives of writers and artists shadowed by war, death, and mental breakdown, and at the solace and amusement inspired by its tiny subject.

'A wry, supremely intelligent literary gem about devotion - to writing, to other people, and between humans and their pets' *NPR*

'At its very best the book takes on the edginess of *Mrs. Dalloway*' *CHICAGO TRIBUNE*

'In plumbing the mysterious affections between species, it comes to represent the solace and fragility of human relations more generally' *PARIS REVIEW*

Winner of the Rosenthal Family Foundation Award given by the American Academy of Arts and Letters

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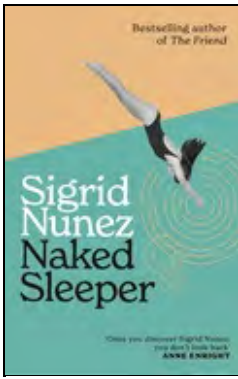
- Published alongside Sigrid Nunez's first ever story collection, *IT WILL COME BACK TO YOU* which is sure to attract a lot of review coverage
- Virago has sold over 100,000 copies of books by Sigrid Nunez
- MITZ is forthcoming in Korea, Spain, and Germany (for the second time, in a new translation)
- This has a nice link with *THE FRIEND* because both books are about human/animal relationships
- Never before published in the UK before

Reviews

- 'A wry, supremely intelligent literary gem about devotion - to writing, to other people, and between humans and their pets. Like *The Friend*, *Mitz* captures the heartrending downside of love and connection - loss. But it also reminds us, beautifully, of the "great solace and distraction" of literature' - *NPR*
- 'In short, glistening sentences that refract the larger world, Ms. Nunez describes the appealingly eccentric, fiercely intelligent Woolfs during a darkening time' - *Wall Street Journal*
- '*Mitz* shimmers with an emotional truth missing from the most rigorous Bloomsbury histories' - *Village Voice*

Author Biography

Sigrid Nunez has published nine novels, including *A Feather on the Breath of God*, *The Last of Her Kind*, *The Friend*, *What Are You Going Through*, and, most recently, *The Vulnerables*. Nunez is also the author of *Sempre Susan: A Memoir of Susan Sontag*. *The Friend*, a *New York Times* bestseller, won the 2018 National Book Award and was a finalist for the the 2020 International Dublin Literary Award. *The Friend* has been adapted for film by directors David Siegel and Scott McGehee (2024). *What Are You Going Through* has been adapted for a film directed by Pedro Almodóvar, *The Room Next Door* (2024). Her work has been published in more than thirty five countries.



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Naked Sleeper

Sigrid Nunez

Keynote

The second novel from the bestselling, award-winning author of *THE FRIEND*, never before published in the UK: the story of a woman's search for an answer to the imperative question - how should she live?

Description

By the bestselling, National Book Award-winning author of *THE FRIEND*

'A story that abounds in vivid moments and moods' *NEW YORK TIMES BOOK REVIEW*

'Among the most interesting writers of our generation' *INDEPENDENT*

The night had passed, and though they had not undressed and they had not slept and there had been only kisses between them, the intimacy had been accomplished and the sin committed, and Nona knew there would be no escaping that.

Nona longs for purpose, order and dignity. But this ideal constantly eludes her. At an artists' retreat, where she plans to finally get down to writing her book, she meets a man who she intuitively mistrusts - and yet begins an intense affair with him. Abandoning her happy marriage, she flies across the country to pursue him, an act which threatens to unravel her life and relationships. But in the aftermath of calamity, she wonders if she can finally find an answer to the essential question: how should she live?

'A terrific novel' DWIGHT GARNER, *NEW YORK TIMES*

'An enlightening literary adventure' *PEOPLE*

'Nunez limns Nona's search for self with some impressively elegant writing, which gives this book its true appeal' *TIME*

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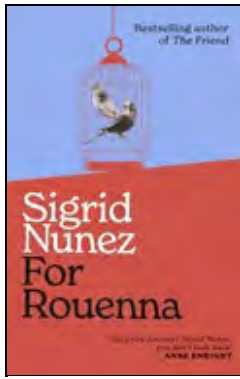
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Reviews

- 'A terrific novel' - *Dwight Garner, New York Times*
- 'With her well-pitched prose and eye for telling contemporary details, Nunez transforms *Naked Sleeper* into a story that abounds in vivid moments and moods' - *New York Times Book Review*
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For Rouenna

Sigrid Nunez

Keynote

A haunting story about the poignant and unusual friendship between a novelist and the retired army nurse who seeks her out, from the National Book Award-winning author of THE FRIEND

Description

From the National Book Award-winning author of *The Friend*, one of the most celebrated novelists of her generation, the story of a woman's experiences of war and an unusual friendship

'Resonant and provocative' *VOGUE*

'One of my favourite authors' NATALIE PORTMAN

I did not remember a Rouenna Zycinski. I was sure I had never known her. But many years ago, according to her letter, we had been neighbors in the same public housing project, on Staten Island.

A writer receives a letter from an old acquaintance, recalling their shared childhood and asking if they can meet. Though fascinated by the stories Rouenna tells about her life as a combat nurse in Vietnam, the narrator flatly declines her request that they collaborate on a memoir. It is only later, in the aftermath of Rouenna's shocking death, that the narrator is drawn to write about her friend - and her friend's war. Writing Rouenna's story becomes all-consuming: at once a necessity and the only consolation.

'*For Rouenna is about everything: war and remembrance, how we invent our "selves" and why; why we kill ourselves - or live. I was dazzled by this book*' *WASHINGTON POST*

'Beautifully written . . . mesmerizing . . . enthralling' *O, THE OPRAH MAGAZINE*

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Everything Happened at Once

The new novel from the author of *Hunger*

Choi Jin-young

Keynote

The new novel from the author of 'an instant cult classic' (*HARPER'S BAZAAR*) with 400,000 copies sold across 10 territories

Description

THE NEW NOVEL FROM THE RECORD-BREAKING AUTHOR OF *HUNGER*

'An instant cult classic. You have to read it' *HARPER'S BAZAAR*

What is the date today? Here, time doesn't pass in days. I wouldn't be surprised if spring slid straight into summer, if I looked at a clear lake and saw an old woman in my reflection.

A mutant virus has swept half of the world's population overnight. The known world has collapsed. The new world is a lawless place where children's livers are believed to provide immunity.

In one apartment block, an unlikely pack break out of quarantine in a stolen lorry and brave an aching empty world once teeming with colour. The desolate reaches of Eurasia are signposted with fellow defectors and found family.

A wandering travel agent.
A mixed-race divorcee embracing her sacred desire.
A deaf girl traversing the frozen continent barefoot.

How do you find a way forward in a world turned upside down? A novel about our will to live and love until the very end, *Everything Happened at Once* charts the intimate landscapes of humans making liferafts out of the small miracles of the everyday.

Sales Points

- **FOR READERS OF *YOUR UTOPIA* BY BORA CHUNG and *THE MEMORY POLICE* by Yoko Ogawa, this is THE ultimate speculative read in translation for our twisted times (hello, lockdown, my old friend)**
- **HOPEPUNK IS IN:** A micro-trend within sci-fi and fantasy fiction (both of which are back with a nihilistic bang) about looking for utopia amidst dystopia (see alt-cosy bestseller *DallerGut Dream Department Store*). "One of the things I set out to do while writing this novel was to make it happy," says Choi Jin-young.
- **FIRST WAVE:** *Everything Happened at Once* has sold 80,000 copies in South Korea. It was also published in Spain (Shiro), Russia (AST), Ukraine (Safran), Poland (Wydawnictwo Kwiaty Orientu), garnering international acclaim as one of the first speculative novels in translation (and the only one to centre LGBT+ protagonists).
- **10 FOREIGN EDITIONS:** This year, *Hunger* will reach readers in the US (Europa), Italy (E/O), Netherlands (Borgerhoff & Lambergts), Spain (Hoja de Lata), France, Turkey, Indonesia (to name a few).
- **INSIDER INTERVIEW:** Choi Jin-young identifies as a lesbian. As does the translator, Soje. The flapped trade paperback edition of *Everything Happened at Once* will include an author interview (with the translator) discussing this lesbian *The Road* for the pandemic era.

Author Biography

CHOI JIN-YOUNG began writing twenty years ago. She is now one of Korea's foremost novelists, having amassed several prestigious prizes, including the Yi Sang Literary Award, Hankyoreh Literary Award and Shin Dong-yup Literary Prize.

Her record-breaking novella, *Hunger*, has sold 400,000 copies and been translated into 10 languages.

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| Author born in | Seoul |
| Author living in | Paju |

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| Previous Titles | |
| <i>Hunger</i> (2025) | |

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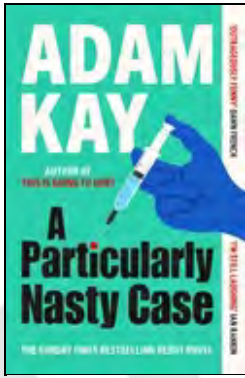
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A Particularly Nasty Case

The fastest-selling debut thriller of 2025, from the author of global phenomenon *This is Going to Hurt*

Adam Kay

Keynote

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

Description

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

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

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

PRAISE FOR ADAM KAY

'Richly comic. Kay's writing is a constant pleasure' *Daily Express*
'Spectacularly brilliant' Cathy Rentzenbrink
'Piercingly funny' Tanya Gold, *Daily Telegraph*
'One of Britain's funniest writers' Grace Dent
'Extraordinary' *Observer*

Sales Points

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

Author Biography

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

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This is Going to Hurt
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Binding **Trade Paperback**
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 Author living in **Vancouver, Canada**

Previous Titles

MEXICAN GOTHIC, THE DAUGHTER OF DOCTOR MOREAU, SILVER NITRATE, THE SEVENTH VEIL OF SALOME

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The Intrigue

Silvia Moreno-Garcia

Keynote

From the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Mexican Gothic* and *Velvet Was the Night* comes a sizzling noir about desire, danger, and greed, in which seduction is the ultimate con

Description

Handsome con artist Ulises has long charmed lonely women via letters to steal their money, but money is hard to come by in 1940s Mexico. Ulises knows his looks won't last forever, and he's desperate to get his hands on a real fortune.

He thinks he's found it when he captivates his newest correspondent, Perla, the owner of a small-town boardinghouse in picturesque Veracruz. But when he meets her, he finds something he didn't expect. **The woman has a niece, Inés, who is as observant as she is desperate to escape her aunt's household.**

When Inés discovers Ulises' true intentions, she wants in on the scheme. They'll convince her aunt that Ulises is a great catch, Perla will marry him, and her money will vanish. Easy, fast and clean. But Perla is not the desperate, silly spinster Ulises imagines. She harbors secrets. And although Ulises does not believe in true romance, Inés is more alluring than he bargained on. **Suddenly, a simple plan may become perilously complicated.**

Venture into the streets of a small town where the patina of convention and good manners conceals a cauldron of avarice and lust.

Sales Points

- **Best-selling author:** Silvia Moreno-Garcia is an internationally bestselling author
- **An international success:** Silvia's books have sold more than 300,000 copies across all editions in the UK and our sales territories.
- **A riveting, twisty crime novel:** combining the high drama of the Mexican *novelas costumbristas* with the intrigue and strong characterisation that Moreno-Garcia is famous for, *The Intrigue* tells a claustrophobic tale of love, deceit and betrayal against a midcentury background.
- **Perfect for fans of Denise Mina, Walter Mosley and Catriona Ward:** featuring an evocative mid-century setting, a crushing heatwave, untrustworthy characters and shifting loyalties, this is an almost gothic noir by a master craftsman.

Reviews

- "Absolutely not to be missed" - *Kate Quinn* on *THE SEVENTH VEIL OF SALOME*
- "Whenever I want to read a book I know will be good, I go to Silvia Moreno-Garcia. Her genres are ever changing, her ability to take on a wild story each time is incredible. You never know what she's going to do, but you know it will be a page-turner" - *Taylor Jenkins-Reid*
- "Silvia Moreno-Garcia proves once again that she's a genre-jumping wizard, one of the most exciting and necessary authors writing today" - *Charlie Jane Anders*
- "Moreno-Garcia weaves elements of Mexican folklore with themes of decay, sacrifice, and rebirth, casting a dark spell all the way to the visceral and heart-pounding finalé. Fans of gothic classics like Rebecca will be enthralled" - *Kirkus* on *MEXICAN GOTHIC*

Author Biography

Silvia Moreno-Garcia is the author of the novels *The Seventh Veil of Salome*, *Silver Nitrate*, *The Daughter of Doctor Moreau*, *Mexican Gothic*, *Gods of Jade and Shadow*, and a bunch of other books. She has also edited several anthologies, including the World Fantasy Award-winning *She Walks in Shadows* (aka *Cthulhu's Daughters*). She has been nominated for the Locus Award for her work as an editor and has won the British Fantasy Award and the Locus Award for her work as a novelist.

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The New Famous Five: Five and the Forest of Secrets Book 3

Chris Smith (Illustrated By James Lancett)

Keynote

The Famous Five are back as a new group of kids go camping in The Forest of Secrets and crack their third mystery.

Description

'A rip-roaring delight.' Anna James

The Famous Five are back as a new group of kids go camping in the Forest of Secrets and crack their third mystery.

A brand-new adventure by bestselling author Chris Smith, inspired by Enid Blyton and featuring original and new characters.

Maddy, Fran and Tom - plus Gilbert the dog - are off on a camping trip with Professor George, and they can't wait! There will be sausages to cook over the campfire and amazing places to explore . . . but before long, the New Famous Five discover there's a bigger adventure in store for them. A famous scientist has gone missing and a criminal gang wants to use his research for nefarious purposes. Can the children solve the mystery, rescue the scientist and stop the criminals in their tracks?

Sales Points

- *The Famous Five* books are the most enduringly popular of Enid Blyton's works, with over 2 million copies sold globally every year
- Chris Smith has a TCM sales record of over 225,000 copies (including his titles with Greg James)
- An irresistible combination of two big names in children's books
- An exciting entry point into the world of Blyton for a new generation
- Contains all the classic Famous Five themes of adventure, action, exploring the outdoors and danger

Author Biography

Chris Smith (Author)

Chris Smith is a bestselling author and the joint recipient of the 2024 Ruth Rendell award for his work promoting literacy and campaigning for school libraries. Chris created the *Kid Normal* series with his friend Greg James and recently the pair published *The Twits Next Door* which became an instant bestseller. Chris is also a solo author and has published two fantasy adventures set in his fictional kingdom of Parallelia including *Frankie Best Hates Quests*.

Before he was an author Chris worked as a newsreader and presenter on radio stations including Xfm and BBC Radio 1. His most famous news bulletin is probably the one sampled by George Michael in 1998 and used on his international hit *Outside*. Chris lives in London with his wife Jenny, their son Lucas and Mabel the cat.

James Lancett (Illustrator)

James Lancett is a London-based illustrator, director and yellow sock lover! As a child growing up in Cardiff he was obsessed with cartoons, video games and all things fantasy. As he grew up and became a lot more beardy these inspirations held strong and so he moved to London to study BA Illustration and Animation at Kingston University. He now works as an illustrator and animation director. He is known for his illustrations for *Lightning Girl* by Alesha Dixon, the *Avengers Assembly* graphic novels, *Max Einstein* by James Patterson and many others.

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The New Famous Five: Five and the Forgotten Treasure
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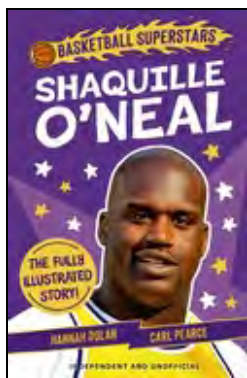
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Basketball Superstars: Shaquille O'Neal

Hannah Dolan

Keynote

The up-to-date story of this NBA legend, told with tons of fantastic original illustrations.

Description

Shaquille O'Neal was a powerful force on the basketball court, known for his unstoppable dunks, huge personality, and game-changing presence in the paint. Follow his journey from a dominant college star at LSU to a legendary NBA champion, and track all of his key stats along the way! You'll even discover his journey to become one of the sports' greatest on-screen experts. This fun chapter book is packed with original illustrations showing every step of his rise to greatness.

Inside, you'll find real-life quotes, stories about his teammates and rivals, and tons of amazing stats. It's the perfect book for anyone who wants to learn more about this unforgettable basketball superstar.

Sales Points

- Shaquille O'Neal is a four-time NBA champion, three-time Finals MVP, and one of the most dominant centers in basketball history, known for his powerful presence, larger-than-life personality, and Hall of Fame career.
- This title includes fantastic original illustrations on almost every page.
- Simple, clear text and tons of bite-size facts and stats make this book ideal for early and reluctant readers - but it's in-depth enough for any young fan to enjoy.

Author Biography

Hannah Dolan is a writer and editor with more than 15 years' experience creating all kinds of children's publishing, including *New York Times* bestsellers and a children's history of the Olympics.

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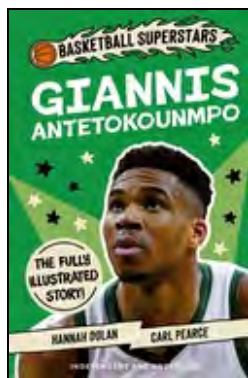
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Basketball Superstars: Giannis Antetokounmpo

Hannah Dolan

Keynote

Read all about Giannis' amazing story, with lots of cool original illustrations!

Description

Giannis Antetokounmpo is a dynamic force on the basketball court, known for his explosive athleticism, jaw-dropping dunks, and relentless drive to improve. Follow his inspiring journey from humble beginnings in Greece to becoming an NBA champion and two-time MVP with the Milwaukee Bucks. Track his rise through the league and all the key stats that made him one of basketball's most exciting players.

This fun chapter book is filled with original illustrations capturing every step of his incredible climb to the top. Inside, you'll find real-life quotes, stories about his teammates and rivals, and loads of amazing stats. It's the perfect book for anyone who wants to learn more about this unforgettable basketball superstar.

Sales Points

- Giannis Antetokounmpo is a two-time NBA MVP, NBA champion, Finals MVP, and Defensive Player of the Year, celebrated for his incredible athleticism, versatility, and rise from humble beginnings to global stardom.
- This title includes fantastic original illustrations on almost every page.
- Simple, clear text and tons of bite-size facts and stats make this book ideal for early and reluctant readers - but it's in-depth enough for any young fan to enjoy.

Author Biography

Hannah Dolan is a writer and editor with more than 15 years' experience creating all kinds of children's publishing, including *New York Times* bestsellers and a children's history of the Olympics.

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Country People

'The book of the summer' Mick Herron

Daniel Mason

Keynote

From the author of NORTH WOODS, a joyous new novel about marriage, family, friendship, storytelling, and how people find connection in an increasingly fragmented world.

Description

'Lyrical and joyful' Sarah Jessica Parker

'Told with warmth and wit, Mason's prose shimmers in this immersive ode to stories, to the land, and its people' Lucy Steeds, author of *The Artist*

'A charming, funny, exhilarating Vermont adventure' Clare Fuller, author of *Swimming Lessons*

'Full of joy - and exactly the kind of reading experience we could all do with right now. The book of the summer' Mick Herron, author of *Slow Horses*

A year in the life of a family as they strike out into the unknown—a rollicking, lyrical novel from Pulitzer Prize finalist Daniel Mason, the bestselling author of North Woods and one of America's greatest living writers

Miles Krzelewski is a devoted husband, a doting father beloved for his outlandish bedtime stories, and the proud owner of a truffle-hunting dog in a land with no truffles. He is also a bit lost, twelve years late with his PhD on Russian folktales, and increasingly haunted by a sense that he's become a disappointment to his family. So when his wife Kate accepts a visiting professorship at a prestigious college in the far away forests of Vermont, he decides that this will be his year to finally move forward with his life.

But Miles is a man of many enthusiasms, who possesses, in Kate's words, 'a great capacity to fall in with anyone, anywhere.' And no sooner does he arrive than he finds himself entangled with a cast of characters as colorful as any of his folktales, from a ghostly tree surgeon to a scythe-mad biochemist, a Shakespearean temptress and a photographer of snowflakes obsessed with chronicling, on thousands of index cards, the world's delusions in a "Inventory of Wrong Ideas."

The new friends, the enchanted woods, the histories: sure, no PhD, but all good fun. Until Miles stumbles upon a bizarre - even ridiculous - local legend, which, he soon suspects, might not be just a legend after all.

Joyous, absurd, and life-affirming, *Country People* is a luminous exploration of marriage and parenthood, the nature of belief and the power of stories, and the ways in which we find connection in an increasingly fragmented world.

Sales Points

- **UNIQUE SETTING:** Small-town America captured with warmth and a sharp eye. The book begins with a journey across the US, from West to East, and lands in rural Vermont. Landscape and seasons are central to the story; reading it you live through a year in the family's life there, immersed in the natural world. And for NORTH WOODS fans, it takes place in the same woods, just over the border from Massachusetts.
- **AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR:** Daniel Mason's novel *A Registry of My Passage Upon the Earth* was a finalist for the Pulitzer prize. His work has been awarded a Guggenheim Fellowship, the Joyce Carol Oates Prize, the California Book Award, the Northern California Book Award, and a Fellowship from the National Endowment for the Arts.
- **FOR FANS OF:** Ann Patchett, Barbara Kingsolver, Michael Chabon, John McGregor, Paul Murray. This is rich and joyous literary fiction.
- **A TREASURE TROVE:** Infused with folktales and references to Russian and English literature: Tolstoy, Chekhov, Milton.

Author Biography

Daniel Mason is a doctor and author of *The Piano Tuner* (2002), *A Far Country* (2007), *The Winter Soldier* (2018), and *A Registry of My Passage Upon the Earth* (2020), which was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize. His work has been translated into 28 languages, adapted for opera and the stage, and awarded a Guggenheim Fellowship, the Joyce Carol Oates Prize, the California Book Award, the Northern California Book Award, and a Fellowship from the National Endowment for the Arts. His short stories and essays have been awarded two Pushcart Prizes, a National Magazine Award and an O. Henry Prize. He is an assistant professor in the Stanford University Department of Psychiatry. He currently lives in Palo Alto, CA.

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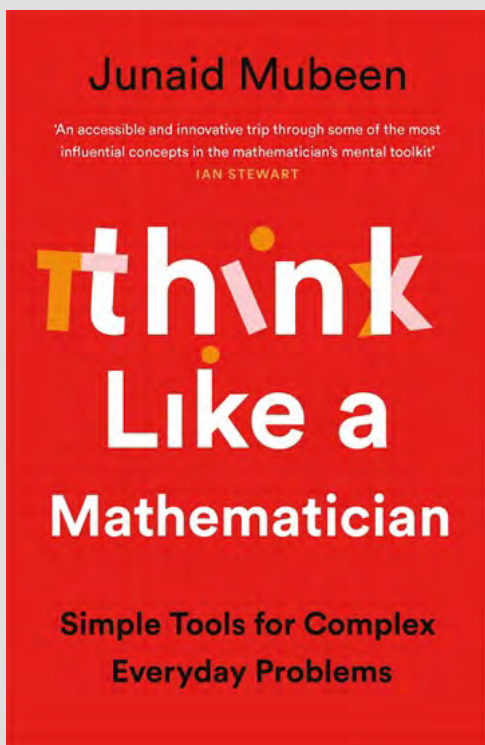
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REVIEWS

'*Think Like A Mathematician* elegantly reveals how to tackle familiar problems in a smarter way - from logic and learning to predictions and politics. An essential toolkit for understanding the world around us' - Adam Kucharski, author, *The Rules of Contagion*

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Think Like a Mathematician

Simple Tools for Complex Everyday Problems

JUNAID MUBEEN

KEYNOTE

How to develop the thinking tools and techniques to understand the maths of modern life

SALES POINTS

- **Fresh entry into a proven genre:** Mubeen's blend of education and irreverence is perfect for readers of Matt Parker (146k TCM) and Eugenia Cheng (47k TCM)
- **Brilliant resource for students and teachers:** *Think Like A Mathematician* is an excellent supplement for learners and educators alike in STEM and computer science
- An exciting, entertaining look at the maths behind AI, the internet and across the spectrum of modern life - **essential knowledge for all of us**

DESCRIPTION

'Maths needs more demystifiers, and Junaid Mubeen is here to lift back the veil'
Eugenia Cheng, author of *The Art of Logic*

To many of us, so-called 'pure mathematics is downright baffling. The first question in classrooms is often: when will I use this? Yet, when you start to think like a mathematician, modern life can suddenly make a lot more sense.

In *Think Like a Mathematician*, Junaid Mubeen shows how using abstract mathematical concepts as thinking tools can enrich our everyday lives - from prime numbers to fractals and the aspects of calculus. Whether you're a mathematician or a self-proclaimed mathophobe, you'll find all of these ideas easy to grasp and rewarding to understand - some may even reshape the way you see the world.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Junaid Mubeen is a mathematician turned educator. He holds a DPhil in Mathematics from Oxford and a Masters in Education from Harvard, where he studied as a Kennedy Scholar. He is Director of Education at Maths-Whizz, a leading virtual tutoring platform, and regularly lectures on improving accessibility in maths education.

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Next to Nature A Lifetime in the English Countryside

Ronald Blythe

Keynote

A JM Classics edition of the celebrated writer's best columns for the *Church Times* and an unforgettable ode to the English countryside.

Description

'Extraordinary, intimate and enriching' *Sunday Times*

'The finest contemporary writer on the English countryside' Patrick Barkham, *Guardian*

Ronald Blythe lived at the end of an overgrown farm track deep in the rolling countryside of the Stour Valley, on the border between Suffolk and Essex. His home was Bottengoms Farm, a sturdy yeoman's house once owned by the artist John Nash. From here, Blythe spent almost half a century observing the slow turn of the agricultural year, the church year and village life in a series of rich, lyrical rural diaries.

Beginning with the arrival of snow on New Year's Day and ending with Christmas carols sung in the village church, *Next to Nature* invites us to witness a simple life richly lived. It is a celebration of one of our greatest nature writers, and an unforgettable ode to the English landscape.

'All the charm, wonder, eccentricity and vigour of country life is here' Stephen Fry

Sales Points

- **JM CLASSICS:** After a successful launch of the JM Classics in 2025, the list continues to celebrate the very best of over 250 years of publishing, with beautifully designed covers a specially commissioned introduction for each title.
- **FOREWORD BY RICHARD MABEY:** called 'the father of modern nature writing in the UK', Richard Mabey was close friends with Ronald Blythe and his foreword offers a personal insight into the legendary writer
- **A LIFETIME'S ACHIEVEMENT:** Ronald Blythe passed away on 14 January 2023 at the age of 100. This book is a celebration of a lifetime of work.
- **ADORED BY WRITERS AND CRITICS:** Among his many fans include Olivia Laing, Robert Macfarlane, Adam Nicolson, Richard Mabey, Maggi Hambling and Andrew Motion.
- **A READING ESCAPE:** *The Spectator* called Blythe's writing 'the perfect antidote to the strain of London life and cools the mind after anxiety-ridden days' - this book will be an escapist treat.

Author Biography

Ronald Blythe CBE was one of the UK's greatest writers. His work, which won countless awards, includes *Akenfield* (a Penguin 20th-Century Classic and a feature film), *Private Words*, *Field Work*, *Outsiders: A Book of Garden Friends* and numerous other titles. He was a fellow of the Royal Society of Literature and was awarded their prestigious Benson Medal in 2006. In 2017, he was appointed CBE for services to literature.

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The Wake
Paul Kingsnorth
Keynote

A JM Classics edition of the wild, linguistic tour-de-force cult classic, originally published in 2014, with a new foreword by Mark Rylance.

Description

'As disturbing as it is empathetic, as beautiful as it is riveting' Eimear McBride, *New Statesman*

'A literary triumph' Adam Thorpe, *Guardian*

1066. The Norman invasion has brutally seized the country that the Buccmaster of Holland, a proud landowning farmer in Lincolnshire, once knew. Bereft of his wife and sons, the Buccmaster clings to the ways of the Old Gods, and assembles a band of 'grene men' to seek revenge.

Winner of the Gordon Burn Prize 2014 and longlisted for the Man Booker Prize, *The Wake* transports readers to an English landscape steeped in folklore, omens and violence. Told in a 'shadow tongue' - a form of Old English understandable to a modern reader - the novel is an astonishing and gripping depiction of faith, homeland and identity at the end of the world.

'Strange and extraordinary . . . it lingers in the imagination' *The Times*

Sales Points

- **JM CLASSICS:** After a successful launch of the JM Classics in 2025, the list continues to celebrate the very best of over 250 years of publishing, with beautifully designed covers a specially commissioned introduction for each title.
- **NEW FOREWORD BY MARK RYLANCE:** This JM Classics edition includes a commissioned 1,000-word foreword by Bafta Award-winning actor and playwright, Mark Rylance.
- **INVENTIVE AND RELEVANT:** Paul Kingsnorth's tale of identity and homeland in times of apocalypse, feel blazingly relevant in today's political climate, offering a timeless lens on English identity.
- **BEAUTIFUL COLLECTOR'S ITEM:** a beautiful, collectible package to match the stylish JM Classics series for readers who are fans of modern classics.

Reviews

- **'Extraordinary' - Philip Pullman**
- **'A resonant, eloquent ballad of English identity, pride and fierce independence. It is a thrilling story. Read it out loud. It is like nothing else.'** - Mark Rylance
- **'Strange and extraordinary . . . this unusual novel has power. It lingers in the imagination.'** - *The Times*
- **'A literary triumph' - *Guardian***

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Valentine Grey

Sandi Toksvig

Keynote

From one of the nation's best-loved writers and performers comes a wonderful novel about a spirited young girl who goes to war as a young man

Description

From the author of *BETWEEN THE STOPS* and *TOKSVIG'S ALMANAC*

'Teasing out untold stories of the battlefield . . . follows the footsteps of the likes of Sarah Waters and Pat Barker' *Independent*

London, 1897. A young girl, Valentine Grey, arrives in England. She's been brought up in the remote and sunny climes of India and finds being forced into corsets and skirts in damp and cold country insufferable. The only bright spot: her exciting cousin, Reggie. Reggie, and his lover Frank seek out the adventure the clandestine bars and streets of London offer and are happy to include Valentine in their secret, showing her theatre, gardens - even teaching her how to ride a bicycle.

And then comes the Boer War and Reggie's father volunteers him; the empire must be defended. But it won't be Reggie who dons the Volunteer Regiment's garb. Valentine takes her chance, puts on her cousin's uniform, leaving Reggie behind and heads off to war. And for a long while it's glorious and liberating for both of the cousins, but war is not glorious and in Victorian London homosexuality is not liberating . . .

Sales Points

- A wonderful new direction from Sandi Toksvig, one of our best loved writers and commentators
- A fascinating look at gender, cross-dressing and war.

Awards

Longlisted for the 2012 Green Carnation Prize

Reviews

- 'Toksvig's warm characterisation drives the narrative, especially when set against her droll yet richly detailed evocation of an unedifying period of modern history . . . Toksvig's shining creation, Valentine Grey, [is] a courageous and captivating character . . . begging for a sequel' - Lucy Beresford, *Sunday Telegraph*
- 'Teasing out untold stories of the battlefield and of gay history . . . follows in the footsteps of the likes of Sarah Waters and Pat Barker . . . Toksvig's seemingly effortless ability to entertain shines through' - Lucy Scholes, *Independent*

Author Biography

Sandi Toksvig was born in Denmark, brought up in Africa, then America and moved to the UK when she was fourteen. She has been on British stage, screen and radio for over forty years and was awarded an OBE for Services to Broadcasting. She is the mother of three children, married and lives deep in the woods.

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Maggie

Or, a Man and a Woman Walk into a Bar: 'HEARTBURN for the 2020s' *The Times*

Katie Yee

Keynote

'[Nora Ephron's] HEARTBURN for the 2020s - the best divorce novel I've read for years.' *The Times*

Description

Longlisted for the 2026 PEN / Hemingway Award for Debut Novel Winner of the 2025 Barnes & Noble Discover Prize.

A *New York Times* Book of the Year. A *TIME*'s 100 Must-Read Book of 2025.

'The best divorce novel I've read for years.' *The Times*

'A gem of a novel, one that will make you think, make you feel, and make you laugh.' ALISON ESPACH, author of *The Wedding People*

'One of the most delightful debuts I've read in a long time.' *The New York Times*

A man and a woman walk into a restaurant. The woman hopes they will order the best wine on the menu. Instead, her husband tells her he is having an affair with a woman called Maggie.

When her chest starts to ache, the woman goes to a doctor who tells her the pain in her breast isn't just heartbreak - but - cancer. She decides to call the tumour Maggie and begins to strike up a conversation with it.

In turns wildly funny and devastatingly tender, *Maggie* takes place during a pause - between divorce and marriage, sickness and health, the unknown and the status quo. In reaction to the unfolding chaos, the heartbroken woman creates 'A Guide to My Husband: A User's Manual' filled with a thousand facts for the real Maggie about the man they both love. In the tradition of Nora Ephron's writing on heartbreak and womanhood, *Maggie* is set to be the divorce novel of our age.

"Katie Yee's debut novel...is full of resentment-tinged wit, just like Nora Ephron's classic." *The Times*

'Katie Yee is a storyteller extraordinaire.' DELIA EPHRON, sister of Nora Ephron and author of *Siracusa*

'An absolutely delightful debut! An inspiring story of growth and wonder. Highly recommend!' ELIN HILDERBRAND, author of *The Perfect Couple*, now a major Netflix series

'Stands out as one of the most unusual literary debuts of the summer.' *Washington Post*

'A wry meditation on grief, healing, and reclaiming one's identity.' *TIME Magazine*

'A stand-out and must-read debut... Every paragraph is perfect' WEIKE WANG, author of *Joan Is Okay*

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Sales Points

- **SUPERLEAD DEBUT FICTION in UK & US:** Acquired in a huge deal both here and by the legendary Judy Clayn of the newly launched Summit Books in the States.
- **GENRE BREAKER:** Being both a tragedy and a comedy, this book has a killer combination and finds rich, acerbic life fodder in a double-worst case scenario.
- **HUGE NEW VOICE:** This pithy, quick-tongued narrator is barely editable and will hold fiction lovers captive.
- **MAJOR BOOKSHOP LAUNCH:** This will be the lead high-street fiction title in August,

- **comps:** by a major launch across independent books as well. Nora Ephron's *Heartburn* (2,837 HB and 127,183 PB), with elements of Michelle Zauner's *Crying in H Mart* (8,328 HB and 53,376 PB).

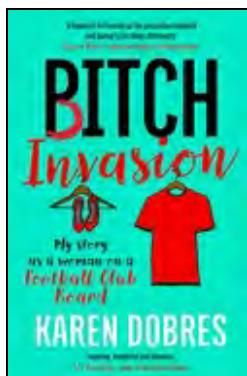


Author Biography

Katie Yee is a writer from Brooklyn. She has received fellowships from the Center for Fiction, the Asian American Writers' Workshop, and Kundiman. By day, she works at the Brooklyn Museum.

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Pitch Invasion

My story as a woman on a Football Club board – Shortlisted for Charles Tyrwhitt Sports Writing Award 2026

Karen Dobres

Keynote

A female focused NF memoir from a model who disrupted the whole ethos of the football patriarchy.

Description

Karen Dobres never expected to fall for football - let alone help revolutionise it. In *Pitch Invasion*, Karen shares her hilarious and heartfelt journey from someone who 'always zoned out when bloody football was on the telly' to becoming a Director at Lewes FC - the first football club in the world to pay its women and men players equally.

In 1994, Karen could barely sit through a match at Wembley. Fast forward to 2023, and she's introducing multi-million-pound deals for the women's team of her local club. How does a trained counsellor and former catwalk model end up navigating the male-dominated world of football? And how did she turn her 'imposter syndrome' into a tool for change?

With bisexual pirates, vegan snacks, and even a designated breastfeeding area, Lewes FC is no ordinary football club. It's a pioneering force for equity, inclusion, and innovation. Through Karen's witty, self-deprecating storytelling, *Pitch Invasion* gives readers an insider's view of the quirky yet revolutionary culture at Lewes FC. From organising Suffragette flash mobs to introducing Prosecco on tap at the stadium, Karen brings to life her experiences at this fan-owned, debt-free, gender-equal club where everyone - from local supporters to pop stars - helps shape the future of the game.

From 2017, when women's football was still fighting for recognition, to the present day, *Pitch Invasion* is the story of how one woman helped lead the charge for gender equality, challenging football's entrenched hegemony, not just for one club, but across the UK.

Sales Points

- **WELL-CONNECTED AUTHOR:** The author does have an incredible drive, great media contacts and an imaginative approach to promotion and getting attention.
- **COMPARATIVE TITLES:** *Eat, Drink, Run.: How I Got Fit Without Going Too Mad* by Briony Gordon (18k TCM), *Women of a Certain Rage* by Georgie Hall (10k TCM) and *Confessions of a Forty-Something F**k Up* by Alexandra Potter (350k TCM).
- **EXCELLENT AT TALKS:** Karen is a brilliant public speaker and has experience speaking at the WI, Festival of Football, Big Business Breakfast Club, and Athens' Women's Football Summit. I can see her working well for local lit festivals.
- **TRENDING TOPIC:** In the first four months of 2024, the average audience for the FA Cup rounds leading up to the final was 537,000, a 10% increase from the previous year. The Women's Six Nations was the most viewed on record, with 8.1 million people tuning in for at least three minutes

Author Biography

Karen Dobres is a former fashion model, trained Person-Centred Counsellor, and advocate for gender equality in football. Growing up in Neasden, Northwest London, during the peak of British football hooliganism, Karen had little interest in the sport, viewing it as a male-dominated, unsafe space. However, her perspective changed in 2017 when she discovered women's football and became a passionate supporter of Lewes FC - where she now serves as a Director. Karen has been featured on national TV and radio, and regularly speaks on gender issues in sport, promoting equity and inclusion both on and off the pitch. She lives in Lewes, East Sussex.

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The Spirit of the Rainforest A journey of discovery in the Amazon

Dr Rosa Vasquez Espinoza

Keynote

A competing title to the bestselling BRAIDING SWEETGRASS - a fascinating insight into the Amazon rainforest from scientist and peruvian-born explorer Dr Rosa Espinoza.

Description

As featured in the NEW YORK TIMES

'Every page feels alive with passion' - Sophie Pavelle, author of 'Forget Me Not'

'A beautiful book' - Levison Wood, author of 'Walking the Himalayas'

Named as the BBC's Most Influential Women, Dr Rosa Espinoza shares the story of her incredible life exploring the Amazon.

Deep in the Amazonian jungle, there exists a corner of the world that remains untouched - a place where rivers boil, plants heal, and creatures glow in the dark. It's an ecosystem of incredible diversity, and one that Dr Rosa set out to explore.

Growing up on the edge of the Peruvian rainforest, Rosa knew the power of indigenous wisdom from a young age. But it was only as she moved to the US to study science that she felt the uneasy separation between her two worlds. Why was scientific enquiry taken more seriously than indigenous knowledge? And what are scientists missing by not listening other ways of seeing the world?

Dr Rosa made it her mission to integrate scientific rigour with indigenous wisdom. This book tracks her expeditions in the Amazon, and shows the scientific discoveries she made along the way - from her groundbreaking research on stingless bees to her revelations while taking ayahuasca.

This book shows Dr Rosa's determination to rewrite the script of science: to celebrate indigenous knowledge and give us new hope for our world.

Sales Points

- **A RISING STAR:** Rosa is a national geographic explorer and her scientific research has been published on the cover of the *New York Times* about her groundbreaking research on stingless bees. Rosa was named in **BBC's 100 Women** list for her climate advocacy. She was named as one of the **'50 People Changing the World'** and she was recipient of the **'New Explorer Award'** with The Explorers Club in New York. She was also named **50 most powerful women of Peru by Forbes Peru.**
- **PHOTOGRAPHS FROM THE AMAZON:** The book includes a plate section with 15 photographs from Rosa's collection.
- **NATURE COMPS:** Indigenous wisdom: *Braiding Sweetgrass* (52k copies via TCM); lessons from the natural world, *The Lost Rainforests of Britain* (30k); books on herbal remedies: *The Witch's Garden* (15k).
- **A VOICE FOR INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES:** Rosa is named as the 'United Nations Harmony with Nature Scientist' and runs a nonprofit about conserving Amazonian biodiversity, ecosystems, and indigenous knowledge. She is officially the **International Ambassador for the Ashaninka People.**
- **THE HIGHEST HONOR AWARD IN PERU:** Rosa was awarded the Order of Merit for Women for her conservation work in Peru.

Author Biography

Dr. Rosa Vásquez Espinoza is a Peruvian and Amazonian scientist, conservationist, TV presenter, award-winning artist, and National Geographic Explorer. Dr. Rosa is the founder and executive director of Amazon Research International (ARI), a foundation in Peru dedicated to advancing conservation and knowledge of Amazonian biodiversity and culture. In 2023, Rosa was named **Ashaninka International Ambassador** to further amplify the voices of Amazonian communities and expand conservation efforts. **In 2025 she was awarded the Order of Merit for Women, the highest national honors given in Peru. She was also named one of the BBC's 100 women for her conservation work and the '50 most powerful women of Peru' by Forbes Peru.**

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Queenie is Working on It

The most anticipated hot summer read for 2026 that everyone will be talking about

Candice Carty-Williams

Keynote

The hugely anticipated new novel from critically adored, multi-prize shortlisted, smash-hit bestselling author Candice Carty-Williams.

Description

'I LAUGHED AND CRIED...I FLEW THROUGH EVERY PAGE!' - Jennie Godfrey

'FIZZING WITH LIFE, FUN AND SENSUAL' - Diana Evans

'A WELCOMED RETURN...ENOUGH GASPS TO LEAVE YOU BURSTING AT THE SEAMS' - Yomi Sode

How is it possible for one woman to hold it together when she's:

Confronted with a racing biological clock when she doesn't even know if she wants kids.
Trying to act normal when her heart is smashed into a million pieces.

Ten times smarter than the people she's working for.

Priced out of the housing market in the place she grew up.

Stuck in a situationship when all she wants is the love of her life back . . .

Bigger. Not better. Older. Not wiser. Queenie Jenkins is working on it.

Award-winning author Candice Carty-Williams returns with a scalpel-sharp, poignant and hilarious new book that shines a dazzling light on the realities of modern womanhood.

Sales Points

- **HIGHLY ANTICIPATED FOLLOW-UP TO AN INDUSTRY-WIDE PHENOMENON:** *Queenie* was a *Sunday Times* Bestseller, shortlisted for the Costa First Novel Award and Longlisted for the Women's Prize for Fiction, and its win for British Book Awards Book of the Year marked the first time a Black author received the prize.
- **MASSIVE SALES SUCCESS:** *Queenie* sold over 400k copies across all formats in the UK alone.
- **BLOCKBUSTER TV ADAPTATION:** *Queenie* was adapted into a TV series, first aired on Channel 4, and later on Hulu, Disney+ and Star+.
- **STAND-OUT EVENT PUBLICATION:** This will be one of Orion's biggest publications of 2026, driven by an energetic and ambitious campaign. Expect national consumer advertising, in-person events, high-impact broadcast, online and print media, ambitious brand partnerships, and eye-catching POS.

Author Biography

Candice Carty-Williams was born and raised in south London, by way of Jamaica. She is a novelist, showrunner, culture writer, and author of Book of the Year Award winning and *Sunday Times* bestselling *Queenie*, as well as the young adult novella *Empress and Aniya*, and the *Sunday Times* bestselling *People Person*. She adapted *Queenie* for Channel 4 and Hulu in 2024, and wrote and showran original drama, *Champion*, for Netflix and BBC One in 2023.

In 2016, Candice created and launched the Guardian and 4th Estate 4thWrite Prize for underrepresented writers, the first inclusive initiative of its kind in book publishing. Candice is the ex Guardian Review books columnist, has interviewed and written for i-D, Vogue, The Face, the *Sunday Times*, BEAT Magazine, Black Ballad and many more publications.

Queenie received global acclaim, and was described as vital, disarmingly honest and boldly political. It was adapted for Channel 4 and Hulu in 2024, and her original drama, *Champion*, aired on BBC One in the UK, and on Netflix globally, in 2023, receiving five stars across the board.

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| Binding | Trade Paperback |
| Format | Royal |
| Extent | 416 pages |
| Word Count | |
| Series | Queenie Series |
| Exclusively for Sale | Cw; EU; Ire |
| Not for Sale | Can; UK; UK (ex Airports); USA |

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| Author living in | London, SW16 |
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Previous Titles

Queenie
People Person

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Children of the Third Reich Three Pasts, Three Futures

Catrine Clay

Keynote

The poignant true story of three children born during the Nazi regime - and their eventual meeting 50 years later

Description

The Third Reich cast a long shadow, not least over those born in Germany at that time. Whether the children of Nazi perpetrators or Holocaust survivors, they all had to come to terms with their dark past, based on an inhuman racial ideology.

Renate was born in 1941, the daughter of an unknown SS General and Nazi war criminal who fathered her as part of his racial duty to produce 'A Child for Hitler.' Joe was born in 1946 in a Displaced Persons camp for Holocaust survivors. Dan was born in Haifa in 1938 to German Jewish immigrant parents. Then it was Palestine, later Israel, and Dan was a proud Israeli, until he wasn't so sure any more. All three grew up surrounded by silence and secrets, because their parents wanted to protect them from the horrors of the dark Nazi past which had devastated their lives.

Decades later the three met, each trying to come to terms with their legacies of silence, secrets and pain. In *Children of the Third Reich*, acclaimed historian Catrine Clay traces their stories from Germany to the United States and Israel, confronting their dark pasts in order to find ways to a better future.

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| Binding | Trade Paperback |
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| Extent | 336 pages |
| Word Count | |
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| Not for Sale | Can; USA |

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| Book locale | Germany; Palestine, Israel; United States |
| Author born in | France |
| Author living in | Hampshire |

Previous Titles

9781474607896 The Good Germans

Sales Points

- **GRIPPING AND UNIQUE SUBJECT.** Very little is known or written about the Lebensborn Programme and the policy of breeding Aryan children. This is a lesser-known and unique narrative within an enormously popular subject area (Nazi Germany/WW2), which makes it an unmissable read for this audience.
- **EXCLUSIVE PERSONAL TESTIMONY.** Catrine has met, interviewed and made documentaries about the subjects of this book, and has followed them, their families and lives through many decades. The stories in this book have never been published elsewhere.
- **BRILLIANT, QUALIFIED AUTHOR:** Catrine Clay was a BBC TV director of award-winning documentaries for twenty years and during that time she directed three BBC documentaries on related subjects. Her previous books on 20th-century Europe have been described as 'fascinating' (*Spectator*) and 'A masterpiece' (*Telegraph*), among other accolades.

Reviews

- 'A minor masterpiece. A truly remarkable story uncovered with immense skill' - *The Daily Telegraph* on *TRAUTMANN'S JOURNEY*
- 'Proof that good story-telling is a true art...fascinating' - *Caroline Moorehead, the Spectator* on *KING KAISER TSAR*
- 'Shines the spotlight on people who didn't opt for the path of conformity, but instead made often small but nonetheless defiant choices in their everyday lives that put them at risk ... [Clay] is a great story-teller who proves adept at conjuring her characters straight off the page' - *BBC History Magazine* on *THE GOOD GERMANS*

Author Biography

Catrine Clay is an acclaimed historian and documentary film maker. Her books include *The Good Germans* (2020), *Labyrinths* (2016) and *Trautmann's Journey* (2016).

Market

Readers of gripping narrative history from WW2 and Nazi Germany, for example books by Philippe Sands, Jonathan Freedland, Daniel Finkelstein, Clare Mulley and Harald Jähner

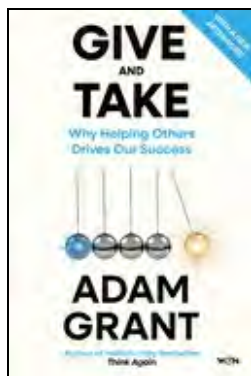
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| Thema 1.6 | Business and Management (KJ) Business strategy (KJC) Advice on careers and achieving success (VSC) |

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| Binding | Paperback |
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Previous Titles
Originals; Think Again; Hidden Potential

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.

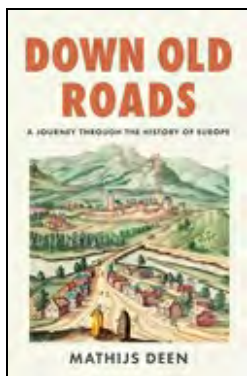
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Down Old Roads

Mathijs Deen

Translated by Jane Hedley-Prole, Jonathan Reeder

Keynote

A cultured, engaging collection of historical vignettes ranging from prehistoric times to the early 20th century - all focused on the ancient roads, tracks and pathways of Europe

Description

"This is the E8," my father said. "It runs from London to Moscow."

For a million years people have been travelling throughout Europe, from the mysterious *homo antecessor* who left his footprints on the coast of England to travellers on the motorways of today. Under every footstep lies an older one, under every paved road a donkey trail or wagon rut, under every footpath the prints of a hunter or his prey.

And yet the long, nation-spanning roads of Europe don't hold a special place in the imaginations and identities of its residents. No classic songs have been written about the E8, the way Americans have written about Route 66. Are Europeans too attached to their own home patch? Or have they too often seen armies marching towards them along those roads?

Eager to answer that question, Mathijs Deen goes in search of the warriors, refugees, bandits, pilgrims, fortune-seekers, conquerors and racers who advanced into history along the roads of Europe. From Boekelo in the Netherlands to Smolensk on the Dnieper, and from the first prehistoric Europeans to the barons who raced the open roads of Europe in the early 20th century, *Down Old Roads* is both a journey through Europe and a trip through time.

"It's easy to be swept away by Deen's delightful prose" *New Statesman on The Boundless River*

Translated from the Dutch by Jane Hedley-Prole and Jonathan Reeder

Sales Points

- Winner of the Halewijn Prize and nominated for the Bob den Uyl Prize
- Author of *The Boundless River*, which received excellent reviews in the UK press
- Witty, informal history that covers rapid ground with a light touch - perfect for fans of *The Rest is History*
- 45,000 copies sold in the Netherlands

Author Biography

MATHIJS DEEN (b. 1962) is a Dutch writer and radio producer. His short story collection *Brutus is Hungry* (nominated for the AKO Literature Prize) was followed by among others *The Wadden Islands*, *Down Old Roads* and the novel *The Light Ship* (nominated for the Libris Literature Prize). His work has been translated into German, Italian and Korean.

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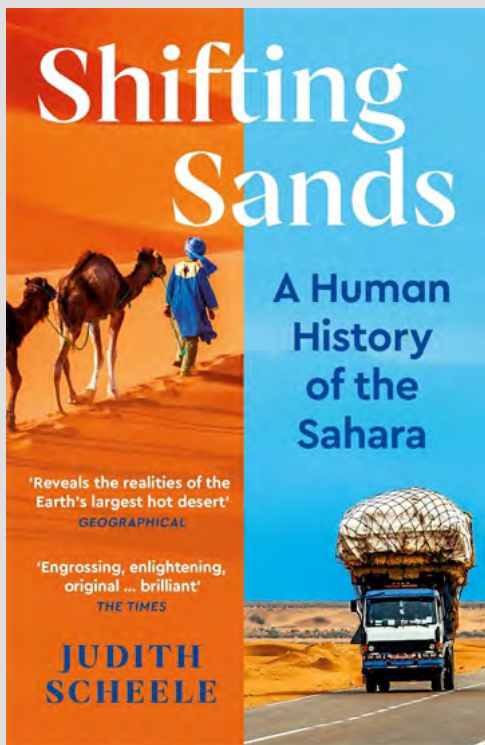
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'Engrossing, enlightening, original ... brilliant' - *The Times*

'A detailed, often gritty, picture of a fragile world ... a clear-sighted study of life on the edge'
' - *Wall Street Journal*

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Barnaby Rogerson

'Meticulously investigated, revealing the realities of the Earth's largest desert' -
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Shifting Sands

A Human History of the Sahara

JUDITH SCHEELE

KEYNOTE

A radical new account of the Sahara - from pre-history to the present day

SALES POINTS

- An expert academic delivers this illuminating history on a little-seen part of the world, that is only set to rise in the news agenda
- This new edition is freshly packaged and perfect for fans of big history and travel, such as *An African History of Africa* (36k TCM), *The Golden Road* (54k TCM) and *Islands of Abandonment* (40k TCM)

DESCRIPTION

'A fascinating travelogue and history of the world's largest hot desert ... fresh, original and energising' *THE TIMES*

In this sweeping account, Judith Scheele reveals the rich history and complex reality of the world's largest hot desert. Drawing on decades of research, and years spent living in the region, Scheele leads us from the ancient Roman Empire through the bloody colonial era to the geopolitics of the present - and the race for resources that will define the future. The Sahara covers parts of eleven countries, and Scheele follows in the footsteps and tyre-tracks of the many people who cross the desert, taking us into the homes, mosques, palm groves and battlefields where history is written, spoken and remade.

The result is a masterful portrait of the Sahara. Encompassing the geology, religions, peoples and politics that shape and fracture the region, *Shifting Sands* tells the immersive story of a place whose future holds implications for us all.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Judith Scheele is Professor of Social Anthropology at the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales in France. She has carried out extensive field research in Algeria, Mali and Chad, and published highly acclaimed books and articles on Saharan societies past and present, including *Smugglers and Saints of the Sahara*.

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In the Wake of the Ruined
Pre-order the sequel to the 'atmospheric and evocative' (Rachel Gillig) BookTok hit, In The Veins of The Drowning!

Kalie Cassidy

Keynote

In the dark and romantic sequel to *In the Veins of the Drowning*, Imogen must face the monster threatening her home, even if it means risking everything... including the king she's grown to love

Description

'Lingers long after the last page' **REBECCA ROSS**, *Sunday Times* bestselling author of **DIVINE RIVALS**

THE DARK AND DELICIOUS CONCLUSION TO THE BOOKTOK SMASH HIT!

Leucosia has gained a new queen... and a new monster.

King Nemea is dead by Imogen's own hand, leaving Eusia with one less devoted servant-but the deity's strength has only grown. Now, she can access Imogen's power freely, and what's worse, Imogen's first taste of Eusia's grotesque magic has left her hungry for more.

Meanwhile, Theodore's wedding to Halla is imminent, and Imogen plans to steal his bride and use her to get to the blighted island where Eusia's body resides. But the journey proves more difficult and the waters more treacherous than she could have imagined, tempting Imogen to descend into her magic's darkness. As she fights to balance her feelings for the handsome king with her mission, and draws nearer to severing her bond with Eusia, Imogen realizes that ending Eusia might cost her more than she had ever planned on giving.

PRAISE FOR IN THE VEINS OF THE DROWNING

'An absolute riptide of a book. It draws you in, pulls you under... I was completely swept away' **RACHEL GILLIG**, *Sunday Times* bestselling author of **ONE DARK WINDOW**

'A provocative dark fantasy with all the alluring qualities of siren's song. Sensuous and lushly romantic' **AVA REID**, *New York Times* bestselling author of **A STUDY IN DROWNING**

'Cassidy has written your new favourite romantasy couple... *In the Veins of the Drowning* will sink its lure into you and leave you breathless' **ALLISON SAFT**, author of **A DARK AND DROWNING TIDE**

Sales Points

- **FOLLOW UP TO THE SMASH HIT IN THE VEINS OF THE DROWNING:** The first book in the series is a sensation! ITVOTD was selected as an Indie Next pick, an Allurial subscription pick, and more still to come. Book two in the duology offers the perfect moment to create even more momentum for the series.
- **FANTASTIC AUTHOR PARTNER:** Kalie Cassidy is a savvy and tireless promoter who is game to help sales efforts in any way she can: engaging fans on social media, commissioning character art, offering bookplates and extras to bookstores, and tapping her robust author network (including Rachel Gillig and Ava Reid) for support.
- **VIRAL CATEGORY:** Romantasy continues to dominate bestseller lists and social media, ITVOTD is already making the rounds as a BookTok word-of-mouth hit. Rich themes and elevated writing help this stand out from the pack in this ever-popular category.

Author Biography

Kalie Cassidy was born and raised in Southern California and spent over a decade working in Los Angeles as a professional theater actor, coach, and acting teacher. She now lives in the Midwest with her family and rambunctious golden retriever.

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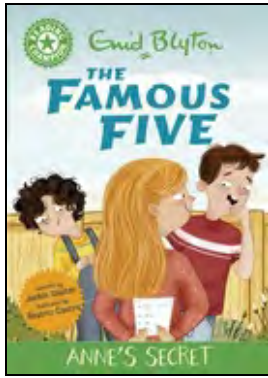
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Reading Champion: The Famous Five: Anne's Secret Green Band 5

Jackie Walter (Illustrated By Beatriz Castro)

Keynote

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

Description

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

In this story, George is certain that her cousin is keeping a secret, and she is sure that it has something to do with a letter. Anne won't tell any of them what is going on... what could it be?

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

Sales Points

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

Author Biography

Jackie Walter (Author)

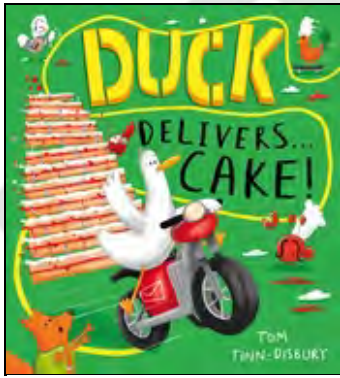
Jackie Walter has written and edited many books for children. She never gets tired of listening to and telling a good story. Jackie lives in Cornwall with her husband and young daughters.

Beatriz Castro (Illustrator)

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

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Duck Delivers . . . Cake!

A hilarious picture book adventure about a delivery duck, perfect for children aged 3–5

Tom Tinn-Disbury

Keynote

A brilliant cake-fuelled adventure filled with quacking duck puns, vibrant artwork and high-stakes delivery-drama.

Description

Join the adventure with this laugh-out-loud story about perseverance, delivery chaos and . . . cake! The second title in the hilarious Duck Delivers series.

Duck loves his life scooting around as a Delivery Duck for Feather Force. Though he may get into a few flaps here and there, his deliveries are somehow always on time.

But when he's tasked with delivering a very tall, very large and **very** special cake to a party all the way across town, Duck realises he'll need to trade his scooter in for something with a bit more power to get there by sunset.

Can this plucky Duck make it in time? Or will chaos be the only thing Duck delivers today?

Sales Points

- The second in a funny, character-led series with appeal for the UK and Rights, tapping into the popularity of postal workers and delivery drivers among really young children, with an added transport hook.
- The Jolly Postman / Postman Pat meets Mr Bean in this original picture book concept, featuring an endearing, unlucky duck, with a message about perseverance and positivity.
- Establishing author-illustrator Tom Tinn-Disbury in a new vibrant, sophisticated commercial style.
- Featuring a gloriously-oversized cake that will children will adore looking at

Author Biography

When Tom studied animation at university, he realised that the best part of the process was writing stories and drawing characters and not necessarily making them move! After a brief foray into film editing and broadcast TV, Tom decided to pursue a career in picture book making. Tom uses a mix of pens, pencils, paint, and Photoshop to create his art, and coffee and sandwiches to write and illustrate his stories at his home in Rugby.

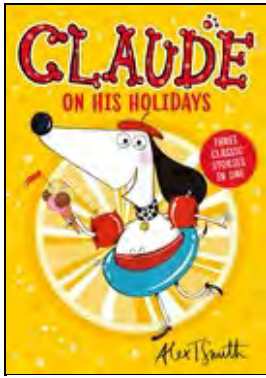
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| Age | 0-5 years |
| Subject | Fiction |
| Type | Picture Book |
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| US | Refer to Publisher |



Claude On His Holidays Three Classic Stories In One!

Alex T. Smith

Keynote

A treasury of three favourite Claude stories, perfect for the summer holidays!

Description

Come with Claude on three classic summer-themed adventures . . .

Join Claude and Sir Bobblysock as they XXXXXXXXXXXX, XXXXXXXXXXX and XXXXXXXXXXX.

'A delight for young readers' Telegraph

A collection of three favourite waggy tales, *Claude XXXXX*, *Claude XXXXXXX* and *Claude XXXXXX* - perfect for new readers, with illustrations on every page.

Sales Points

- Among other accolades, CLAUDE won the 5-9 young fiction Sainsbury's Children's Book Award and was selected for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize and the Richard and Judy Book Club
- The CLAUDE series has sales of over 700,000 copies sold worldwide and has been translated into 20 languages

Author Biography

Author-illustrator Alex T. Smith is the award-winning creator of the bestselling *Claude* series, which is published in 20 languages worldwide, and is now on TV. Alex's newest series is the critically acclaimed and well-loved *Mr Penguin*. Alex has won the UKLA Picture Book Award, the Children's Book of the World Illustration Award and the Sainsbury's Children's Book Award, and been shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Award. He has also been the official World Book Day illustrator.

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| Age | 5-7 years |
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Fast Money

The Backroom Deals, Corporate Espionage, and Legendary Power Struggles that Drive Formula One

Christian Sylt and Caroline Reid

Keynote

Enter into the backroom deals and high-stakes negotiations that power the world's most valuable sport

Description

THE GRIPPING INSIDE STORY OF THE UNSTOPPABLE RISE OF FORMULA ONE AND THE BUSINESS MODEL THAT DRIVES IT

As one of the world's most popular sports, and with races in far corners of the globe, Formula One is big business. Its drivers are among the world's most highly paid athletes, and it costs more than a billion pounds to keep its ten teams ticking over.

This is a sport where money drives everything: the cars; the teams; the individual races. So, just how does the money in Formula One *work*?

With unparalleled insight, expert motor journalists Christian Sylt and Caroline Reid trace the ever-growing coffers of the world's most watched sport. From a niche sport for the super-wealthy to a multi-billion-dollar behemoth, this is how Formula One got rich, and stayed that way.

Sales Points

- PERENNIAL SUBJECT: F1 is still the world's fastest growing sport and this is a controversial look at how it retains that title
- EXPERT AUTHORS: Caroline and Christian are notorious in F1: they go deeper and find the secrets that everyone has tried to keep hidden
- WIDER BUSINESS ANGLE: this is not just about F1 the sport but about how to structure companies in audaciously tax effective ways: think THE EVERYTHING STORE, but for sport

Author Biography

Caroline Reid (Author)

Caroline Reid and Christian Sylt have been writing about the Formula One industry for a combined total of nearly five decades and have contributed to many of the world's leading publications including the *Daily Mail*, the *Daily Telegraph*, the *Financial Times*, *Forbes*, the *Guardian*, the *Wall Street Journal* and many more.

Outside journalism, in 2007 they founded Formula Money - the only business information service dedicated to F1. It manages the world's largest search engine of F1 sponsorship values and has produced economic impact reports for around a third of the F1 race organisers.

Christian Sylt (Author)

Caroline Reid and Christian Sylt have been writing about the Formula One industry for a combined total of nearly five decades and have contributed to many of the world's leading publications including the *Daily Mail*, the *Daily Telegraph*, the *Financial Times*, *Forbes*, the *Guardian*, the *Wall Street Journal* and many more.

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Coldwire

the start of a thrilling new dystopian series from the **SUNDAY TIMES** bestselling author of **IMMORTAL LONGINGS**

Chloe Gong

Keynote

The start of a daring new dystopian series where humanity has moved to virtual reality to flee their deteriorating world, following two young soldiers who must depend on unlikely allies in their fight for survival.

Description

THE FUTURE IS LOADING . . .

A cold war rages between two powerful nations: Medaluo and Atahua. Amid this conflict, Medan orphans in Atahua can either enrol at Nile Military Academy, or be condemned the enemy.

Recent graduate Eirale joined NileCorp's private forces readily. But when Atahua's most wanted anarchist frames her for treason, she is forced on the run with him . . . in Medaluo.

Academy cadet Lia aspires to join NileCorp's private forces. Despite being paired with her nemesis, she only needs to pass her final assignment: infiltrate Medaluo in virtual reality.

As Eirale and Lia race along their separate courses, the two start to suspect they are pieces in a larger conspiracy - and the closer they get to the truth, the closer their worlds come to a shattering collision.

Sales Points

- **CHLOE GONG** is a *New York* and *Sunday Times* bestselling author of two duologies and an adult novel. She is a TikTok star, tireless promoter of her works, and up-and-coming star. She has a wide fanbase, and always writes compelling, action-packed fiction, with twists and turns aplenty and racing romances.
- **YA DYSTOPIA:** an action-packed thrill ride set in a near future world where everyone virtual reality is the norm, this is an explosive return to the genre popularised by *THE HUNGER GAMES* and *READY PLAYER ONE*.
- **An instant *New York Times* bestseller!**

Reviews

- 'Super-charged with electrifying action, mindblowing twists, and timely commentary, *Coldwire* is a cyberpunk masterpiece ripe for our tumultuous new age' - *Xiran Jay Zhao*, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *Iron Widow*
- '**A high-voltage, whip-smart adventure that presents a future both eerily prescient and totally novel. Pulse-pounding and cinematic, with a twist that knocked the breath from me-I couldn't turn the pages fast enough**' - *Ava Reid*, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *Fable for the End of the World*
- 'Chloe Gong is bringing cyberpunk back in the best way with *Coldwire*. This book is page-turning action set in a gritty world with twists you won't see coming. Executed with laser-precision that will leave readers wanting more' - *Scott Reintgen*, *New York Times* bestselling author of *A Door in the Dark*
- '**Chloe Gong has not only built an intricate cyberpunk world in *Coldwire*, but uses it to shine a searing light on our own reality-and the dangers that our future could hold. A breathtaking thrill ride by a masterful storyteller**' - *Marie Lu*, *New York Times* bestselling author of the *Legend* trilogy and *The Young Elites*

Author Biography

Chloe Gong is the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of the critically acclaimed Secret Shanghai novels, as well as the *Flesh and False Gods* trilogy. Her books have been published in over twenty countries and have been featured in the *New York Times*, *PEOPLE*, *Forbes* and more. She is a recent graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, where she double-majored in English and International Relations. Born in Shanghai and raised in Auckland, New Zealand, Chloe is now located in New York City, pretending to be a real adult.

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Binding **Paperback**
Format **B Format**
Extent **352 pages**
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Illustrations **None**
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Author living in **Norwich, UK**

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9781399709859 *The Very Secret Society of Irregular Witches*

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A Witch's Guide to Magical Innkeeping a cosy, heartwarming witchy romance about a magical sanctuary

Sangu Mandanna

Keynote

An enchanting novel about a witch who has a second chance to get her magic - and her life - back on track, from the author of *The Very Secret Society of Irregular Witches*.

Description

It's time to get her spark back . . .

Once, Sera Swan was one of the most powerful witches in Britain - until she sacrificed most of her magic to resurrect her beloved aunt. Now she runs an enchanted inn in Lancashire, where she deals with her quirky guests' shenanigans and longs for a future that seems entirely lost.

Then she meets Luke Larsen, the handsome and icy magical historian who could hold the key to restoring her power. Luke has no interest in the inn's goings-on or letting a certain witch past his walls, so no one is more surprised than he when he agrees to help. Worse, he might actually be *thawing*.

But as the two work together alongside the family Sera has built, she begins to wonder . . . could love be the best magic of all?

Sales Points

- **COZY MAGICAL ROMANCE:** a new heartwarming, cosy contemporary magical romance from the beloved author of *The Very Secret Society of Irregular Witches*.
- **PERFECT FOR FANS OF:** *REWITCHED* (Lucy Jane Wood), *THE BABY DRAGON CAFE* (A.T. Qureshi), *THE HONEY WITCH* (Sydney J. Shields), *BEST HEX EVER* (Nadia El-Fassi) and *THE HOUSE WITCH* (Emilie Nikota).
- **PERFECT MAGICAL STORY SET IN LANCASHIRE:** with a delightful romance with an icy, gorgeous historian, a talking fox, a re-animated rooster, a whole host of quirky characters, found family, and themes of managing depression and mental health and discovering your inner worth, this is empowering, gorgeous and heartfelt.
- **OVER 100,000 COPIES SOLD OF *THE VERY SECRET SOCIETY OF IRREGULAR WITCHES*.**
- **BONUS CONTENT:** the paperback includes inside cover printing with gorgeous character art and an exclusive bonus chapter.

Reviews

- **'This is one of my coziest reads of the last year, and I find myself thinking about its enchanted setting all the time'** - *Emily Henry, #1 New York Times bestselling author on *The Very Secret Society of Irregular Witches**
- **'I want to live inside this wonderful book! Every single page is sweet, quirky, charming, and one hundred perfect delightful! I absolutely loved it!'** - *Sarah Beth Durst, author of *The Spellshop**
- **'Magical in every sense, not just the spell-casting kind! Sangu Mandanna uses her signature whimsical writing to tell a story filled with love, heart, and hope, where every character is unapologetically themselves and good always triumphs. Without shying away from the tougher realities of life, Mandanna somehow captures the essence of everyday magic-the magic we find in the love of our friends and family'** - *Rebecca Thorne, USA Today bestselling author of *You Can't Spell Treason Without Tea**
- **'Found family, a talking fox, a quaint inn in an English village - it's like this book was written just for me. Mandanna somehow writes existential crises like a warm hug'** - *New York Times*

Author Biography

Sangu Mandanna is the author of *The Very Secret Society of Irregular Witches*, *Kiki Kallira Breaks a Kingdom*, and other novels about magic, monsters and myths. She lives in Norwich with her husband and kids.

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What A Time To Be Alive

A tender, surprising and totally absorbing coming of age story from the author of *Okay Days*

Jenny Mustard

Keynote

A fresh, sexy coming of age story, from the author of *Okay Days*, for fans of Sally Rooney and Mieko Kawakami.

Description

'Playful and witty, *What A Time To Be Alive* is a charming meditation on coming-of-age, privilege, and grief'

Cecile Pin, author of *Wandering Souls*

'Jenny Mustard writes with honesty and wit about the strange, mundane, and wondrous aspects of youth'

Ayşegül Savaş, author of *The Anthropologists*

'A beautifully plangent coming-of-age novel . . . will go straight to your heart'

Lucy Caldwell, author of *These Days*

'A timeless writer . . . reminiscent of the power and grace of writers like Rachel Cusk and Raven Leilani'

Molly Aitken, author of *Bright I Burn*

Some people move to the big city hoping to find themselves - Sickan Hermansson isn't leaving it up to chance.

Twenty-one, friendless, without money but not without hope, Sickan's arrival at Stockholm University represents a new start. Her lonely childhood in a small southern town has left her utterly unprepared for intimacy: for friends, for sex, for love even. But Sickan is determined to build a new version of herself from the ground up, to make up for lost time. To simply be normal.

Just as Sickan seems to be finding her first ever friends, in whose company she finally feels safe, she meets Abbe: beautiful, charming - and by some miracle he wants her too. Unlike Sickan, Abbe seems completely at ease in his own skin. A solid foundation then, on which to build a relationship? Maybe?

What A Time To Be Alive is a story of class, sex, loneliness, and the trials of young womanhood. But above all, it's a story of firsts: the first party you're actually invited to, the first moment you fall in love, the first time you betray a friend. The first time you ask yourself, how much of myself am I willing to sacrifice, to finally fit in?

Sales Points

- **AN INCREDIBLE ARRAY OF QUOTES IN FIRST FORMAT:** Cecile Pin, Natasha Brown, Daisy Buchanan among others.
- **A FRESH, BOLD TAKE ON RELATIONSHIPS:** Jenny has a sharp eye for the subtleties of romance and human relationships -- she combines clear-eyed realism with emotional heart like few writers can.
- **AN AUTHOR WITH A PLATFORM TO LEVERAGE:** Jenny Mustard is a Swedish lifestyle influencer, based in London. She has over 600,000 followers across social media platforms, and has been increasing the amount of book-related content on her channels.

Author Biography

Jenny Mustard is a writer and social media influencer, born in Sweden but living in London. She has over 600k followers, and more than 50 million views on YouTube. Jenny and her work have featured in the *Observer*, the *Independent*, *Vogue* and elsewhere. Her debut novel, *Okay Days*, was published in 2023.



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Driven

The inspirational Memoir from the Formula One Trailblazer, as seen on Netflix's Drive to Survive

Susie Wolff

Keynote

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

Description

'Susie is one of a kind. Her resilience, determination and brilliance have broken down barriers and made her the inspiration she is today. Susie's story is a powerful one for anyone hoping to understand what it takes to succeed against the odds, while staying true to yourself.' - LEWIS HAMILTON

A Sunday Times bestselling inside look at the ultra-competitive world of Formula One and trailblazer Susie Wolff's 20-year career, taking readers from the driver's seat and the F1 paddock all the way to the future of the sport.

From the moment her parents first sat her in a go-kart, Susie Wolff felt it - the thrill of speed, the spark of something bigger. Her dream of one day racing Formula One cars grew and grew, as did her determination. But Formula One is one of the most mentally and physically gruelling sports in the world. Turning a corner can feel like four times your body weight is pressing against you. You need mental grit and physical heft. And as Susie rose through the ranks of motorsport, one truth became impossible to ignore: she was almost always the only woman on the grid.

Despite challenges, and after years of sacrifice and doubt, Susie became the first woman in more than two decades to take part in a Formula One race weekend. When her racing chapter ended, she realised she wasn't ready to walk away from the sport she loved. And so she turned her mind to first transforming a struggling Formula E team and, later, leading F1 Academy, inspiring young women who have discovered the thrill of speed via Netflix's *Drive to Survive*, to progress to the highest ranks of Formula 1.

In *Driven*, Susie lifts the bonnet for the first time on her extraordinary life, including her relationship with her husband Toto. From the driver's seat of the racing car to the heart of the F1 paddock, this is a rare, first-hand view into the inner workings of motorsport at its highest level, told with clarity and grace.

Sales Points

- HB was a Christmas bestseller with over 18k copies sold. Huge sell-out events contributed to this and Susie will be doing another 4 events with Fane in the run up to paperback publication
- Formula 1 is a **fast-growing global sport**: its global audience is increasing roughly 3% YOY (now at 455 million). The appetite for content surrounding the sport is insatiable, with a constant pipeline of Netflix documentaries, including *DRIVE TO SURVIVE* and Susie's own *F1 ACADEMY* (May 2025). 40% of F1 fans are now female and Susie is their primary role model in the sport.
- The book **features an afterword by Toto Wolff**, Team Principal of Mercedes and star of *DRIVE TO SURVIVE* on Netflix.
- **Strong IG profile + reach**: OVER 1M followers with high engagement rate, particularly on more intimate posts (showing that her audience care about her and her life - and will want a book which offers more of that).
- Comps include Guenther Steiner's **SURVIVING TO DRIVE** (90k across HB and PB); Alex Scott's **HOW (NOT) TO BE STRONG** (30k across HB and PB) and Beth Mead's **LIONESS** (55K across HB and PB).

Author Biography

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

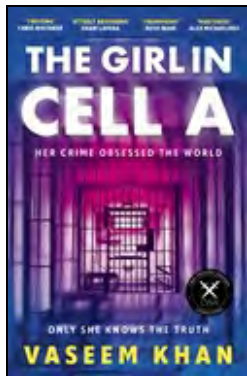
After hanging up her helmet, Susie brought the same drive to the business side of the sport, leading a Formula E team from the back of the grid to World Championship contenders. In 2023, she became Managing Director of F1 Academy - an all-female series backed by F1 to develop the next generation of female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



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

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The Girl In Cell A 'the twist will floor you' says i newspaper, now longlisted for the CWA Gold Dagger

Vaseem Khan

Keynote

Her trial obsessed the world. Only she knows the truth. *The Girl in Cell A* is an unforgettable suspense novel about a woman searching for the truth about her family's past.

Description

'Complex, completely convincing characters and twist you'll never guess' **ALEX MICHAELIDES**

'Beautifully structured and peopled with unforgettable characters this is story-telling of the highest order: **do not miss it' DAILY MAIL**

THE WORLD KNOWS HER AS THE GIRL IN CELL A.

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'A fabulous thriller where small-town America and the sins of its inhabitants make for a wonderful page-turner' **STEVE CAVANAGH**

Sales Points

- **AWARD-WINNING WRITER:** Vaseem Khan's *Midnight at Malabar House* has won the CWA Historical Dagger and been shortlisted for the Theakstons Old Peculier Crime Novel of the Year.
- **GUARANTEED TO THRILL:** fantastic pace, an unforgettable twist and a memorable cast of characters - this is *Succession* meets *Behind Her Eyes*.
- **AMAZING REVIEWS AND READER RESPONSE:** this novel has received rave reviews across the board. We will pitch for all major promotions using the word of mouth buzz.

Reviews

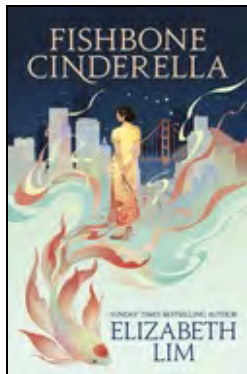
- **'This is a sprawling, gothic tale of a family driven by lies and incestuous longings, sporting some spectacular final twists'** - *Mail on Sunday*
- **'Two narratives are interwoven in this mix of whodunnit, psychological case study and toxic family saga . . . Khan's first thriller is a teasing, testing exercise in unreliable narration'** - *A Times Thriller of the Year*
- **'Vaseem Khan's first thriller is a teasing, testing exercise in unreliable narration'** - *Sunday Times*
- **'THE GIRL IN CELL A weaves gracefully between past and present to provide an insight into American small town life which is both epic and razor-sharp. Khan's Eden Falls is so claustrophobic, so vivid, you'll never forget your time in this town'** - Abigail Dean

Author Biography

Vaseem Khan is the author of several award-winning crime series including the Baby Ganesh Agency adventures, set in modern Mumbai, and the Malabar House historical crime novels, set in 1950s Bombay.

His first book, *The Unexpected Inheritance of Inspector Chopra*, was selected by the Sunday Times as one of the 40 best crime novels published in 2015-2020, and has been translated into 17 languages. *Midnight at Malabar House*, the first in the Malabar House series, won the Crime Writers' Association Historical Dagger.

Vaseem has won numerous awards for his work, including, most recently, the Fingerprint Award for Historical Crime Novel of the Year for *City of Destruction*, the fifth in the Malabar House series. Vaseem is also the author of *The Girl in Cell A*, a psychological thriller set in small town America, and *Quantum of Menace*, the first in a series featuring Q



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 Author living in **New York**

Previous Titles

9781399714822 *A Forgery of Fate*
 9781529356571 *Six Crimson Cranes*

Fishbone Cinderella

Elizabeth Lim

Keynote

The contemporary adult debut by *Sunday Times* bestselling author Elizabeth Lim, with a touch of magic.

Description

A bracelet. A curse. And golden fishbones to be returned to the sea ...

Guangdong, 1940. When Ha Yut Ying narrowly escapes Japanese soldiers by turning invisible, she knows her new-found magic must be kept a secret. But her mother, whose dreams foretell the future, suspects her daughter has changed, and warns her of a curse upon their family. For her protection, she gives her a gold bracelet whose links are shaped like fishbones.

After the war, Ha Yut Ying is sent to live with her father and his second wife, who have become wealthy factory owners in Hong Kong. Her stepmother, jealous of her beauty, forces her to work in the family's shoe factory.

But when Yut Ying collides with a boy on a bicycle on her way to work, she loses her bracelet. The boy is Tommy Yeung, scion of a local soymilk tycoon. And their encounter will change both of their destinies forever...

Sales Points

- **NEW YORK TIMES and SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR:** Elizabeth Lim is a multiple New York Times and Sunday Times bestselling author for her young adult fantasies.
- **BRAND EXTENSION:** Elizabeth Lim writes breathtaking, heartfelt East Asian fantasies, with resilient, relatable heroines, action-packed stories and huge romances. This a new adult standalone, which will give her fans exactly what they want, while being something brand new for those who haven't yet discovered her.
- **ADULT DEBUT:** this is Elizabeth Lim's first foray into adult novels, with two timelines, a touch of magic, and her trademark gorgeous, heartfelt characterisation and family dynamics.
- **PERFECT FOR:** fans of multi-generational stories (Amy Tan's *Joy Luck Club*, Min Jin Lee's *Pachinko*, and Rachel Khong's *Real Americans*), readers of historical fiction with a shimmer of magic (Yangsze Choo's *The Night Tiger* and Allison King's *The Phoenix Pencil Company*) and readers of fairy tale and folklore retellings that weave in real-life history (Naomi Novik's *Uprooted*, Vaishnavi Patel's *Kaikeyi*, and Ava Reid's *Juniper & Thorn*).

Author Biography

Elizabeth Lim is the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of ten novels, including *A Forgery of Fate*, *Six Crimson Cranes*, and *Spin the Dawn*. An alumna of Harvard College and the Juilliard School, she grew up in Northern California and now lives in New York with her husband and her daughters.

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The Simp

The hilarious and tragic debut novel about one man's quest to land the role of a lifetime

Roshan Sethi

Keynote

The epic rise and fall of Raj Ladlani - a queer Indian man whose big acting dreams are scuppered when he takes a job as an assistant for a nightmare power couple

Description

'Funny, poignant, and positively delightful' - Graham Moore, author of *The Holdout*

'A searing, hilarious farce' - Nikesh Shukla, author of *The Boxer*

Raj Ladlani is one of thousands in LA: an unemployable actor. He has reasons to believe he is spectacularly talented (his beloved acting coach Anthony says so), a legend in every way but for the success.

His anonymous life working at Yogurtland, obsessively reading *Vanity Fair*, and fantasizing about stardom, comes to an end when he answers a job ad detailing a relentless, laughable parade of menial responsibilities for a 'Hollywood Family'. So begins the astonishing decline and fall of Raj Ladlani.

The Simp tells the story of Raj's momentous employment and the destruction that follows in the wake of his time with the with the H Family: Jim, a macho director determined to prove himself as an *artist*; and Anna, his much younger wife who has ambitions of her own.

And when the job reveals itself to be an absurdist walk through affluent domestic chaos and misguided engagements with identity politics, Raj might be about to lose it - on a very public stage.

Sales Points

- **FOR FANS OF GLORIOUS EXPLOITS AND YELLOWFACE:** Combines an entertaining free-wheeling plot with biting take on performative DEI efforts.
- **A HILARIOUS SATIRE OF HOLLYWOOD:** based on a real wanted ad for a nightmare job, working for a Hollywood power couple.
- **AUTHOR A CELEBRATED DIRECTOR WHO KNOWS THE WORLD HE'S SATIRIZING:** co-creator of THE RESIDENT, director of A NICE INDIAN BOY. He's written for Disney+, shown at Sundance, SXSW, produced work starring Elizabeth Banks, Jonathan Groff and Sigourney Weaver.
- **CREATIVE MARKETING CAMPAIGN:** leaning into the theme of grifting -- fake reviews from the likes of Emily Brontë and Charles Dickens, author's video of how he grifted his own way into Hollywood.

Reviews

- **'I was hooked right away and excited to turn the page.'** - NetGalley Review, 5 Stars
- 'In some ways, this is a satire about Hollywood elites and how they live in a weird world nobody else understands or is part of and in some ways it's about race. **But mostly it felt like the desperation to achieve our dreams.**' - NetGalley Review, 5 Stars
- **'A sharp, unsettling, and surprisingly tender look at what happens when ambition, insecurity, and Hollywood fantasy collide.** We follow Raj Ladlani, a gay Indian American actor whose big dreams have quietly curdled into survival mode.' - NetGalley Review, 5 Stars
- **'Engrossing. A Ripleyesque story of envy and self-abasement,** cut through by a satire on the hypocrisies and pretensions of Hollywood' - James Cahill, author of *Tiepolo Blue*

Author Biography

Roshan Sethi is a writer, director, and practicing oncologist. He is the co-creator of the *Resident*, which ran for six seasons on Fox. His directorial debut *7 Days* won the Independent Spirit Award for best first feature. He subsequently directed *World's Best* for Disney+ and co-wrote the abortion drama *Call Jane*, which premiered at Sundance in 2022. His third film as a director, *A Nice Indian Boy*, was released in 2025 and received rave reviews, and his forthcoming film, *The Surgeon*, stars Michelle Yeoh and Martin Freeman.



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Rimini

The electrifying masterpiece set on the simmering '80s Italian Riviera

Pier Vittorio Tondelli

Keynote

A bold, dazzling choral novel set against the backdrop of the Adriatic Riviera in the 1980s, newly translated into English by Elena Pala.

Description

Summer 1983, Rimini.

Against the crowded panorama of the Adriatic Riviera, dazzling with its neon lights and promised pleasures, seven lives intersect.

A young journalist on his first important assignment, determined to unravel a web of political corruption.

A woman searching for her runaway teenage sister - and a new life after the end of her marriage.

A gossip columnist who follows the dramatic unfolding of an international literary prize.

A lonely musician, seeking solace amidst the clubs and discos that throng Rimini's beachfront strip.

A pair of penniless film directors who hatch a harebrained scheme to finance their dreams.

And the owner of a crumbling hotel, whose bad fortunes will drive him to desperate lengths.

An electrifying portrait of the simmering world of grifters, hedonists, dreamers and crooks who set the Italian Riviera of the 1980s alight, *Rimini* is a dazzling masterpiece of contemporary fiction, now translated into English for the first time.

Sales Points

- **A GENRE-BENDING ROMP WITH A CAST OF VIVID CHARACTERS** *Rimini* braids together the diverse stories of those who bring the Italian coast to life in the summer months - from ambitious journalists and crooked politicians, to party people, canny entrepreneurs, lonely nightclub musicians and package holidaymakers.
- **ACCLAIMED AUTHOR** Pier Vittorio Tondelli was considered one of the most promising young writers of his generation before his writing career was tragically cut short by the AIDS epidemic. *Rimini* is the second book of Tondelli's we are republishing, to introduce his work to English speaking readers.

Author Biography

Pier Vittorio Tondelli was born in Correggio in 1955 and died in 1991. He made his debut in 1980 with *Altri libertini*, which was followed in 1982 by *Pao Pao*. In 1985 he published the novel *Rimini*, followed by *Biglietti agli amici* in 1986 and *Separate Rooms* in 1989.



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Endling LONGLISTED FOR THE BOOKER PRIZE AND WINNER OF THE GORDON BURN PRIZE

Maria Reva

Keynote

The acclaimed Booker Prize-longlisted novel about the journey of three women and one extremely endangered snail through contemporary Ukraine

Description

* **LONGLISTED FOR THE BOOKER PRIZE 2025** *
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 * **SHORTLISTED FOR THE CLIMATE FICTION PRIZE** *
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An unforgettable debut novel about the journey of three women and one extremely endangered snail through contemporary Ukraine

'A fierce and funny road-trip novel' *GUARDIAN*, the 50 hottest books to read right now

'Inventive and playful' *SUNDAY TIMES*

'A stunning debut' *OBSERVER*

'I was gripped . . . Brilliant' *DAILY MAIL*

'A thrilling ride' *FINANCIAL TIMES*

'A bold, brilliant, original, funny and devastating novel' KATE MCLOUGHLIN, *TLS*

'Brilliant and heart-stopping' *LOS ANGELES TIMES*

'Startling and ambitious' *NEW YORK TIMES*

'Animated by dark humor and cool fury' *NEW YORKER*

'Dexterous and formally inventive' MARCEL THEROUX, *GUARDIAN* BOOK OF THE DAY

Ukraine, 2022. Yeva is a maverick scientist who scours the country's forests and valleys, trying and failing to breed rare snails while her relatives urge her to settle down and start a family of her own. What they don't know: Yeva already dates plenty of men—not for love, but to fund her work—entertaining Westerners who come to Ukraine on guided romance tours believing they'll find docile brides untainted by feminism.

Nastia and her sister, Solomiya, are also entangled in the booming marriage industry, posing as a hopeful bride and her translator while secretly searching for their missing mother, who vanished after years of fierce activism against the romance tours.

So begins a journey of a lifetime across a country on the brink of war: three angry women, a truckful of kidnapped bachelors, and Lefty, a last-of-his-kind snail with one final shot at perpetuating his species.

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'Funny and smart, full of science, longing and adventure . . . This is essential reading' ANN PATCHETT, bestselling author of *TOM LAKE*

'Heartbreaking, hilarious, profound, and vital' LARA PRESCOTT, bestselling author of *THE SECRETS WE KEEP*

Sales Points

- **PRIZE FAVOURITE:** LONGLISTED FOR THE BOOKER PRIZE WINNER OF THE ATWOOD GIBSON WRITERS' TRUST FICTION PRIZE LONGLISTED FOR THE ASPEN WORDS LITERARY PRIZE FINALIST FOR THE GOVERNOR GENERAL'S LITERARY AWARDS
- **A BEST BOOK OF THE YEAR** in THE WASHINGTON POST, THE NEW YORKER, NPR, GOOD HOUSEKEEPING, PUBLISHER'S WEEKLY
- **PERFECT FOR FANS OF** experimental but still accessible and emotionally resonant literary fiction, eg readers of George Saunders, Gary Shteyngart, Ali Smith and Sigrid Nunez

Author Biography

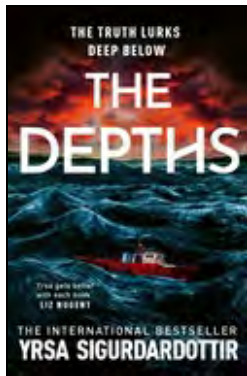
Maria Reva was born in Ukraine and grew up in Canada. Her debut story collection, *Good Citizens Need Not Fear*, won the Kobzar Book Award and was a finalist for the Writers' Trust of Canada's Fiction Prize. *Endling*, her debut novel, won the Gordon Burns Prize, the



Aspen Words Literary Prize and the Atwood Gibson Writers' Trust Fiction Prize; was longlisted for the Booker Prize, shortlisted for the Climate Fiction Prize and was a finalist for the Governor General's Literary Award for Fiction. Her writing has been featured in the *Atlantic*, *Granta*, *The Best American Short Stories*, and elsewhere. She also works as an opera librettist.

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The Depths

A chilling locked-room mystery from the legendary international bestselling author

Yrsa Sigurdardottir

Translated by Victoria Cribb

Keynote

A deliciously dark Icelandic thriller from the multi-million copy, award-winning author of *The Prey*

Description

Just how low do people sink to get away with murder?

A human skull unearthed on the outskirts of Reykjavík.
A neighbourhood dispute turned deadly.
A daughter, trapped at sea, looking for answers.

What police officers Týr and Karó don't know is that these events are all linked through a terrible tragedy, many years ago, when a trawler caught fire on the waves, the crew trapped inside.

The answers lie buried at the bottom of the barren Icelandic Sea.

Sales Points

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

Reviews

- **'PRAISE FOR YRSA SIGURDARDOTTIR'** - .
- 'The undisputed Queen of Icelandic noir' - Simon Kernick
- 'A generator of fear as adroit as Stephen King' - *Independent*
- 'Sigurdardottir makes the hairs on the back of your neck stand up' - *The Times*

Author Biography

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

Market

For readers of C. J. Tudor, Ragnar Jónasson and Chris Carter

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Keeping Score

An utterly swoon-worthy marriage of convenience ice hockey romance

Rebecca Jenshak

Keynote

A totally unputdownable marriage-of-convenience, fake-dating ice hockey romance.

Description

I woke up in Vegas with hazy memories of the night before and the hottest hockey player alive wrapped around me . . .

Some people come to the city of sin for gambling and partying - I did one better and left as Mrs. Travis Bennett.

My annoyingly handsome and charming neighbour has been asking me out for weeks. After nearly costing me my gymnastics career, I've tried to stay far away from the hot, cocky hockey player.

And now I'm legally bound to him.

When the media gets wind of our whirlwind romance, we agree to stay married until my season starts to avoid a PR nightmare.

I think it's a mistake. He thinks it's fate. And he's doing everything he can to prove me wrong.

In public, I'm wearing his ring and his jersey. At home, he's walking around shirtless, packing my lunches, and trying his best to make my heart race.

Unfortunately, he's succeeding. This game of pretend is starting to feel a lot more real.

My new husband is keeping score, and he won't stop until he wins my heart . . .

Tropes: neighbours to Lovers, he falls first, Vegas wedding, fake dating, Golden retriever hero

Sales Points

- **HUGE SERIES WITH INCREDIBLE EBOOK SALES:** books 1 and 2 in the Moonshot Hockey series, Lucky Shot and Keeping Score, have made **over \$240k in the US and £30k in the UK** since August 2025. This has quickly become a beloved ice hockey series, and we are taking over the ebook and publishing the paperbacks to push this even further.
- **USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR WITH HUGE ONLINE FANBASE:** Rebecca Jenshak is a beloved sports romance author and frequently hits the Kindle top 50, as well as being a USA Today bestseller. She has over 52k followers on Instagram and a highly engaged fanbase.
- **BANG ON ROMANCE TRENDS WITH ALL THE TROPES READERS KNOW AND LOVE:** ice hockey romance is having a moment with the runaway success of *Heated Rivalry*, and the upcoming Amazon series for Elle Kennedy's Off Campus series. This series is exactly what these fans want, with tropes ranging from grump x sunshine, rival's little sister, Vegas wedding, fake dating and single dad.

Author Biography

Rebecca Jenshak is a *USA Today* bestselling author of new adult and sports romance. She writes sexy, feel-good stories with lots of swoon-worthy moments. Rebecca lives in Arizona. When she isn't writing, you can find her cheering on local sports teams, hanging out with friends and family, or curled up with a good book.

Market

Fans of Elle Kennedy, Stephanie Archer, Hannah Grace, Bal Khabra and *Heated Rivalry*.

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Keynote

A perfectly sweet and spicy forced proximity, single-dad ice hockey romance.

Description

He's the hot, grumpy ice hockey captain. And she's writing him into her love story . . .

Ruby Madison has six weeks to write an ice hockey romance - a sport she knows precisely nothing about. Which is how she finds herself in Moonshot, Montana, staying in hockey captain **Nick Galaxy's** guest house to find out everything about the sport he has dedicated his life to.

The problem? He had no idea she was coming. And Nick Galaxy has zero interest in helping anyone write a love story - especially not one about him . . .

Nick has enough on his plate between leading his team and being a single dad. He doesn't have time to school the constantly peppy woman following him around on the art of hockey - even if she is the most beautiful woman he's ever seen. If only his meddling dad had considered that before offering up his services - and property . . .

But soon Nick begrudgingly starts to crave the fun and sunshine Ruby has brought into his life, and she starts to see the gentle nature hiding behind his gruff exterior. And as she starts to fall for Moonshot's star hockey player, Ruby's romance falls into place.

Will one chance summer meeting be the lucky shot they both needed? Or will they fall just short of the goal line?

Tropes: grumpy/sunshine, single dad, hockey, forced proximity, and found family

Sales Points

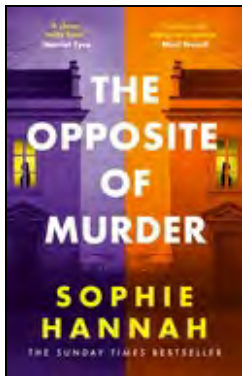
- **HUGE SERIES WITH INCREDIBLE EBOOK SALES:** books 1 and 2 in the Moonshot Hockey series, Lucky Shot and Keeping Score, have made over **\$240k in the US and £30k in the UK since August 2025**. This has quickly become a beloved ice hockey series, and we are taking over the ebook and publishing the paperbacks to push this even further.
- **USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR WITH HUGE ONLINE FANBASE:** Rebecca Jenshak is a beloved sports romance author and frequently hits the Kindle top 50, as well as being a USA Today bestseller. She has over 52k followers on Instagram and a highly engaged fanbase.
- **BANG ON ROMANCE TRENDS WITH ALL THE TROPES READERS KNOW AND LOVE:** ice hockey romance is having a moment with the runaway success of *Heated Rivalry*, and the upcoming Amazon series for Elle Kennedy's Off Campus series. This series is exactly what these fans want, with tropes ranging from grump x sunshine, rival's little sister, Vegas wedding, fake dating and single dad.

Author Biography

Rebecca Jenshak is a *USA Today* bestselling author of new adult and sports romance. She writes sexy, feel-good stories with lots of swoon-worthy moments. Rebecca lives in Arizona. When she isn't writing, you can find her cheering on local sports teams, hanging out with friends and family, or curled up with a good book.

Market

Fans of Elle Kennedy, Stephanie Archer, Hannah Grace, Bal Khabra and *Heated Rivalry*.



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The Opposite of Murder the twisty new thriller from bestselling author of The Couple at the Table

Sophie Hannah

Keynote

The gripping new thriller from *Sunday Times* bestseller Sophie Hannah, the Queen of the unguessable mystery!

Description

'So clever, and has the perfect twist' **GILLIAN McALLISTER**

'An ingenious puzzle of a novel that crackles with energy and menace' **NICCI FRENCH**

What if the only way to prevent a murder is by confessing to it?

Jemma Stelling has confessed to a crime - one she can't have committed. She has an unshakeable alibi: when Marianne Upton was stabbed to death outside her home, Jemma was at the police station confessing to a deadly obsession with Marianne and a plan to kill her in precisely the way she was killed.

So is Jemma innocent? Or is she an ingenious, cold-blooded murderer?

Sales Points

- Sophie Hannah has sold over 2 million copies of her novels and THE OPPOSITE OF MURDER is her most ambitious story yet
- Sophie's work has been sold around the world in 49 territories, and this new twisty novel has huge Rights potential, expertly blending genres in the same way as Gillian McAllister's hugely successful WRONG PLACE WRONG TIME
- Sophie is on an upward sales trajectory - Haven't They Grown was selected for the Richard and Judy Book Club and The Couple At The Table became a Sunday Times Top 10 bestseller in paperback
- Compelling hook - what if the only way you could prevent a murder was by confessing to it?
- Dedicated author - Sophie herself is a huge asset and is very well-connected. She is regularly asked to speak at festivals and to the media and works tirelessly to champion her books on social media.

Reviews

- 'Why would somebody confess to a murder they have yet to commit? Hannah answers this with her **trademark flair, creativity and stylish** prose. **I loved it!**' - Gillian McAllister
- '**Such a clever, twisty book - I loved it!**' - Harriet Tyce
- '**An ingenious puzzle of a novel that crackles with energy and menace!**' - Nicci French
- 'This clever author is well known for her unreliable narrators. Once again she has come up with an engrossing tale... Witty and unpredictable' - *Daily Mail*

Author Biography

Sophie Hannah is a *Sunday Times*, *New York Times* and Amazon Kindle No. 1 bestselling author whose books have sold millions of copies and are published in 51 countries. She was the first person to write and publish new Hercule Poirot mysteries, at the request of Agatha Christie's family and estate. In 2023 she won the Dagger in the Library Award, and in 2013 she won the UK National Book Awards Crime Novel of the Year prize for her novel *The Carrier*. Sophie is also an award-winning poet whose work is studied at GCSE level across the UK, and has been shortlisted for the T.S. Eliot Prize. Her murder mystery musical, *The Mystery of Mr E*, was released as a feature film in 2023. Sophie is the founder and coach at *Dream Author Coaching*, and her recent self-help book about how to make brilliant decisions, *The Double Best Method*, was an Amazon top ten bestseller. Sophie lives with her husband, grown-up children and dog in Cambridge, where she is an honorary fellow of Lucy Cavendish College.

Market

Comparison authors include: Alex Michaelides, Lucy Foley, Cara Hunter, Gillian McAllister, Alex Pavesi.



The End of the World as We Know It The instant New York Times bestseller (Aug 2025): New Tales of Stephen King's The Stand

Brian Keene, Christopher Golden

Keynote

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

Description

*** THE INSTANT *NEW YORK TIMES* TOP FIVE BESTSELLER ***

Considered a seminal masterpiece of apocalyptic fiction, Stephen King's *The Stand* has inspired generations of fans and writers. Although there are other works exploring the unravelling of human society, none has been as influential as this iconic novel, with its dark yet ultimately hopeful vision of the end and new beginning of civilization, and its stunning array of unforgettable characters.

Now for the first time, Stephen King has fully authorized a return to the harrowing world of *The Stand* through this original short story anthology as presented by award-winning authors and editors Christopher Golden and Brian Keene.

Bringing together some of today's greatest and most visionary writers, *The End of the World as We Know It* features extraordinary, all-new stories set during and after the events of *The Stand* - brilliant, terrifying, and painfully human tales that will resonate with readers everywhere as an essential companion to the classic bestselling novel.

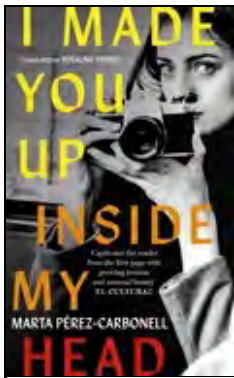
Sales Points

- **ORIGINAL STORIES** based on the influential seminal work of apocalyptic fiction good v evil, and set in a world ravaged by the virus Captain Trips.
- **INTRODUCED** by **KING** himself
- **DAZZLING ARRAY OF CONTRIBUTORS**
- **CROSS-PROMOTION CAMPAIGN:** Hodder publish *THE STAND* and can bring readers of that phenomenal book to *THE END OF THE WORLD AS WE KNOW IT*, delivering numerous cross-promotion opportunities.
- **BESTSELLER** - The HB was an immediate *New York Times* bestseller in August 2025

Reviews

- **'One of the buzziest horror books of the year . . . a sprawling, epic continuation of Stephen King's *The Stand* through the lens of **some of the best writers in horror**. Whether the horror prowess of editors Brian Keene and Christopher Golden gets you in the door, or you just can't pass up that table of contents, **you won't be let down by this towering collection**' - *Paste Magazine***
- **'A perfectly edited and consciously constructed anthology** inspired by [Stephen King's] 1978 post-apocalyptic novel *The Stand* . . . Each story stands on its own, but laid out together, **they effortlessly immerse readers in a connected world** . . . **An incredibly achievement** that manages to expand, enrich, and improve its source material . . . **A must-buy** . . . This is a spectacular tribute to the ultimate epic horror novel of the 20th Century' - *Library Journal (starred review)*
- 'Stories vary from visceral and violent to philosophical, and the breadth and diversity of the included authors add depth to King's world . . . **With a star-studded list of authors**, including some outside the realm of the horror genre, **this highly anticipated collection will garner a wide audience** . . . Captivating' - *Booklist (starred review)*
- **'[A] chilling post-apocalyptic anthology** . . . the contributors approach this eerie setting with creativity and curiosity . . . **Even readers unfamiliar with *The Stand* will find much to enjoy here**, while fans will be pleased by the attention to detail. **Every entry hits the mark**, a tribute both to the editors' selection process and King's original worldbuilding' - *Publishers Weekly*

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I Made You Up Inside My Head

The addictive novel about a shocking literary scandal

Marta Pérez-Carbonell
Translated by **Rosalind Harvey**

Keynote

A novel about the dangerous power of telling stories: over the course of an overnight train journey, a woman gets drawn into a story of deception and disappearance.

Description

'A tremendous novel with a cool and engrossing narrative voice that resonates with memorable intensity and effect'
William Boyd, author of *The Predicament*

'Thrums with the momentum of a page turner'
Nana Kwame Adjei-Brenyah, author of *Chain-Gang All-Stars*

'Addictive'
Ledia Xhoga, author of *Misinterpretation*

'Brilliant . . . A novel about a shocking literary scandal and relationships gone wrong'
CJ Hauser, author of *The Crane Wife*

'One of those books that make it worth clearing your afternoon to just sit back and lose yourself in the reading of it'
Vogue

On a sleeper train from London to Edinburgh, a woman and two strangers pass the time by telling stories about their lives.

One passenger reveals the truth behind the novel he wrote: he betrayed the confidence of a young man, Hans, by converting his life story into fiction. Intimate details of Hans's life became public knowledge, his trust exploited for the author's own gain.

As her cabin-mates reveal that Hans has since disappeared, with foul-play suspected, Alicia becomes gripped by the question of what really happened between the two men. She begins to re-examine her own memories, to try and discern what brought her to this point - and her involvement in the story told that night soon goes beyond a mere observer.

I Made You Up Inside My Head questions the stories we tell ourselves and others, and the fine line that separates reality from fiction - all while weaving an engrossing tale of betrayal, loss and guilt.

Sales Points

- **PAUL AUSTER MEETS JAVIER MARIAS:** meets Valeria Luiselli meets Patricia Highsmith.
- **CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED IN THE AUTHOR'S NATIVE SPAIN:** Rave reviews in all major newspapers.
- **A LITERARY MYSTERY:** A gripping story about a disappearance, a publishing scandal and at least one murder.

Reviews

- 'A true testament to the faith and power of words and of literature . . . **captivates the reader from the very first page** with mounting tension and incomparable beauty' - *El Cultural*
- 'I was ensnared in the web that this cosmopolitan novel wove . . . **I was spellbound**' - *El Pais*
- 'Marta Pérez-Carbonell's debut thrums with **the momentum of a page turner while the sentences carry the grace of a great work of art.** You'll think about storytelling and the "truth" anew after reading this beauty' - Nana Kwame Adjei-Brenyah, author of *Chain-Gang All-Stars*
- 'Pérez-Carbonell weaves a polyrhythmic narrative whose threads and patterns become addictive and **leave behind an indelible impression**' - Ledia Xhoga, author of *Misinterpretation*

Author Biography

Marta Pérez-Carbonell was born and raised in Spain and now teaches contemporary Spanish literature at Colgate University in upstate New York; she has also worked as a translator and interpreter. This is her first novel.



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Kitten

A debut novel about mothers, class, love, and the dizzying task of becoming yourself

Stacey Yu

Keynote

A playful, heartfelt debut novel -- a coming-of-age story for modern times, for fans of Mona Awad, Ling Ma, and Elif Batuman.

Description

'Strange, playful and intimate . . . I didn't want it to end' LUCY ROSE, author of *The Lamb*

'[A] brilliant study of need, want, loneliness, and power . . . soft and sharp, totally in control, utterly deranged. I lapped it up' KIRAN MILLWOOD HARGRAVE, author of *Almost Life*

'A fresh, funny, and totally bewitching girl-meets-cat love story' GINA CHUNG, author of *Sea Change*

A magnetic novel about a young woman who falls in love with her boyfriend's cat.

Katie hasn't spoken to her mother in a year when her boyfriend James introduces her to his cat Silver. A small, vulnerable, incorrigible ball of need, Silver's acceptance of Katie cracks open something inside of her: an unravelling begins.

Fresh out of college and far from home, Katie is desperate to skirt the demands of adult life - especially because, as she promised her mother, the plan was to never grow up in the first place. Luckily, she has James: self-assured, generous, and seemingly happy to make decisions for them both.

When they go on holiday to James's family's seaside home, Katie's attachment to Silver grows. Silver doesn't mind that Katie can't seem to get a job, hold her own at dinner parties, or make amends with her mother. Silver, who gets to misbehave spectacularly, be childish, be gross, and still get fed, seems to have the life Katie increasingly longs for. But as their bond intensifies, Katie's other relationships reach tipping points. Soon, Katie must come to terms with what she really wants, and what she might have to risk to get it.

Delicately playful and unexpectedly heartfelt, *Kitten* is a sensitive reckoning with the allure of helplessness and the uncertainty of becoming yourself in a world that is as disorienting as it is full of hope and connection.

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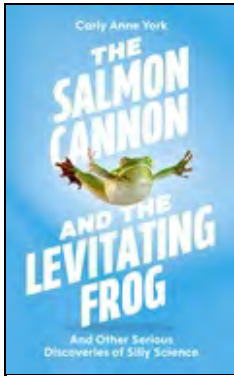
- A BUZZY US DEBUT: Stacey Yu is an established presence on BookTok: [stacey \[unreadable\]](https://www.tiktok.com/@literaryfling) (@literaryfling) | TikTok
- TIMELY SUBJECTS: issues that are going nowhere: class dysphoria, economic inequality, power dynamics in romantic relationships, race in America, difficult parental relationships...
- FOR READERS OF OTTESA MOSHFEGH, MELISSA BRODER, MONA AWAD - sitting at intersection of 'weird girl books' and 'sad girl books', but with a hopeful ending.

Reviews

- '*Kitten* captures the vulnerability of early adulthood with startling precision. **Abound in wit and restraint, the novel explores the funny yet unsettling complexities of modern love.**' - Weike Wang, author of *Chemistry*
- '*Kitten* is a spellbinding story written by a wildly intelligent author whose observations and understanding of our relationships both with others and ourselves is a **marvel to read**. The moment you've finished this book, it will play on your mind for days' - Ore Agbaje-Williams, author of *The Three of Us*
- 'Stacey Yu's *Kitten* is as tender and brutal as a kiss to the most wounded part of yourself. **Yu perfectly captures how it feels to be young and terrified of yourself . . . Yu's eye for friction and chaos should be studied**' - Ruth Madievsky, author of *All Night Pharmacy*
- '**Strange, playful and intimate, *Kitten* quietly captures the raw edges of obsession, belonging and love.** Stacey Yu has crafted a stirring portrait of what it's like to feel deeply out of place and lonely. It's stylish and magnetic, and I didn't want it to end' - Lucy Rose, author of *The Lamb*

Author Biography

Stacey Yu is a Chinese American writer. She grew up between Texas, Arkansas, and California and currently lives in London. *Kitten* is her debut novel.



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The Salmon Cannon and the Levitating Frog And Other Serious Discoveries of Silly Science

Carly Anne York

Keynote

A playful examination of how science's silliest research leads to crucial breakthroughs and enduring insights.

Description

'York is a witty, whip-smart, lithely engaging science storyteller, truly one of our best'

Mary Roach, author of *Stiff and Fuzz*

A playful examination of how science's silliest research leads to crucial breakthroughs and enduring insights.

Why would anyone research how elephants pee? Or study worms who tie themselves into a communal knot? Or quantify the squishability of a cockroach?

Carly Anne York shows how unappreciated, overlooked and simply curiosity-driven science has led to breakthroughs big and small. Got wind power? You might have humpback whales to thank. Know anything about particle physics? Turns out there is a ferret close to the heart of it all. And if you want to keep salmon around, be thankful for that cannon! The research itself can seem bizarre, but it drives our economy. York invites us to appreciate the often-unpredictable journey of scientific exploration, highlighting that the heart of science lies in the relentless pursuit of knowledge for its own sake. Emphasizing the hard work of the people behind the discoveries, this is an accessible, story-driven book that shows how important and exciting it is to simply let curiosity run wild.

Sales Points

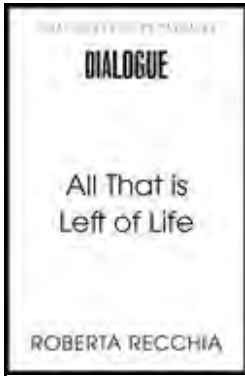
- **INTERNATIONAL:** Will appeal to an international audience, as the content is global. It could be a key text for students of international studies, especially given his reputation and connections as the President of the International Studies Association.
- **ACCOMPLISHED PUBLIC-FACING AUTHOR:** York knows how to tell a scientific story: She created an integrative science communication program at Lenoir-Rhyne University, where she is a professor of biology. She collaborated with TED-Ed on the creation of two science lessons: How Squids Outsmart their Predators and The Frog that Knows You're Pregnant, which have been viewed nearly 3 million views total. Additionally, she leads workshops around the country on using the powerful tool of storytelling to engage a general audience in the sciences.
- **UNIQUE ANGLE:** Most science books celebrate obviously big ideas in a self-serious way. York's focus on research that can seem ludicrous, pointless, or even absurd but which, nevertheless, had huge payoffs for knowledge, offers a unique perspective on how science works. This means an opportunity for real people to have real (mis)adventures in pursuit of their curiosity and their passion.

Reviews

- **'York is a witty, whip-smart, lithely engaging science storyteller, truly one of our best.** This book is a celebration of curiosity and a spirited defense of the quirky endeavors it inspires. With clear but never dumbed-down explanations and an infectious taste for the surreal, York makes the case for pure inquiry -- showcasing the value and world-changing discoveries that come of asking why. Fascinating, entertaining, and a welcome antidote to the small minds of certain politicians' - Mary Roach, author of *STIFF* and *FUZZ*
- 'Bravo! Carly Anne York leaps to the defense of basic scientific research with wit, passion, and unabashed wonder. **Filled with insights and eureka moments, *The Salmon Cannon and the Levitating Frog* is a timely, thought-provoking, and thoroughly terrific read'** - Thor Hanson, author of *CLOSE TO HOME*
- 'York offers a countermeasure to the cynicism of our times: the pure joy of curiosity and wonder. **With humor and a scientist's keen eye**, she dissects silly-sounding science to reveal its surprising benefits. Along the way, she digs up my favorite kinds of stories: the ones that make you say "wow," "what?!", or "ew" - and then make you think' - Erika Engelhaupt, author of *GORY DETAILS*
- **'A joyful read with a lot of depth**, York's book will make you the hit of the dinner party (or online conversation) with her pithy and fun stories of how "silly science" is anything but. York shows - through examples from Archimedes' tub to how Gila Monsters led to the discovery of Ozempic - that what some see as pointless inquiry so often leads to a great discovery or key scientific insight. From the eccentric to the inspiring, York proves that human curiosity is an imperative part of the scientific process, and that there are rarely wasted experiments' - Starre Vartan, author of *THE STRONGER SEX*

Author Biography

Carly Anne York is currently an associate professor at Lenoir-Rhyne University. She received her PhD in ecological studies from Old Dominion University. She is also the



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All That is Left of Life

Roberta Recchia

Translated by Antonella Lettieri

Keynote

A deeply atmospheric and suspenseful family drama, *All That is Left of Life* explores love, loss and the secrets we carry.

Description

'Will soon become a classic.' *Elle España*

'One of the most beautiful Italian novels of recent years.' The Hollywood Reporter Roma

'Every book club will want to discuss this novel.' Sarah Damoff, bestselling author of *The Bright Years*

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

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

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

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

Readers around the world are saying . . .

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Sales Points

- **INTERNATIONAL BUZZ:** A national bestseller in its native Italy, *All That is Left of Life* has garnered a tremendous amount of praise across Europe. Now, the UK paperback is perfectly placed to benefit from the buzzy campaign surrounding the US' edition, coming this year.
- **REMARKABLE COMPS:** An exceptional debut for fans of Elena Ferrante, Isabel Allende and Liz Moore.
- **AN ACCOMPLISHED TRANSLATOR:** Antonella Lettieri is an extraordinarily exciting prize-winning translator. She was 2023 NCW Emerging Translator Mentee for Italian, won the First Prize in the John Dryden Translation Competition, is the recipient of a PEN/Heim Grant and has worked with the Italian Cultural Institute in London.
- **A RICH, REWARDING NARRATIVE:** As each thread is stretched to intertwine with the next, in a continuous change of perspective that crosses the entire narrative, *All That is Left of Life* is sure to envelop readers with a voice that feels truly alive.

Author Biography

Roberta Recchia graduated in European and American Languages and Literature. She lived for a time in Lille, France, where she earned a master's degree in Relations Interculturelles et Coopération Internationale. She worked for ten years for a big company and then quit office work to devote herself to teaching. She currently teaches English in a high school in Rome. She is passionate about film and literature, especially

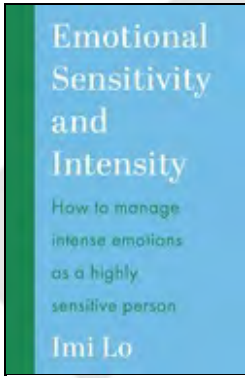


Russian and French. She lives with her chihuahua, Claudio, in a small town on the coast of Lazio.

Antonella Lettieri is a London-based translator with over ten years of experience working into English and Italian. She was the 2023 NCW Emerging Translator Mentee for Italian and was awarded first prize in the 2023 John Dryden Translation.

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Emotional Sensitivity and Intensity

How to manage intense emotions as a highly sensitive person - learn more about yourself with this life-changing self help book

Imi Lo

Keynote

LEARN WHY YOU SOMETIMES FEEL OVER STIMULATED AND HIGHLY SENSITIVE AND DEVELOP STRATEGIES FOR THRIVING IN AN INTENSE WORLD.

This book is for you. Learn how to cope with having intense feelings, and discover how to use your sensitivity, empathy and intelligence to live a happier, more rewarding life.

Description

Learn why you sometimes feel over stimulated and highly sensitive and develop strategies for thriving in an intense world.

Do you feel you experience life more vividly than others?
Do people sometimes describe you as emotionally intense or oversensitive?
Do your emotions soar high and plunge so quickly that you feel you can't keep up?

This audiobook is for you. Learn how to cope with intense feelings, and discover how to use your sensitivity, empathy and intelligence to live a meaningful and fulfilling life. **Emotional Sensitivity and Intensity** will give you in-depth information about this trait, as well as practical exercises and strategies to help with your daily struggles.

It will help you come to new ways of thinking about your past, thrive in your current life, and create exciting possibilities for the future. Written in a friendly and compassionate tone, the chapters will answer questions raised by many emotionally intense individuals:

*Is there something wrong with me?
How does this trait explain my life experiences so far?
What can I do right now to better my life and to fulfil my potential?*

You will learn to:

- Understand what it means to live with emotional sensitivity and intense feelings
- Debunk the myths and stereotypes about this trait
- Let go of old emotional baggage and limiting mindsets
- Develop real resilience and find peace within life's ups and downs
- Navigate challenging social and family situations
- Build healthy and fulfilling intimate relationships
- Find your unique calling and liberate your creative potential

Sales Points

- A practical and timely book which looks at the on-trend topic of Emotional Sensitivity, as established by Elaine Aron in *The Highly Sensitive Person* and Susain Cain in *Quiet*.
- Reframes emotional sensitivity not as a defect but as a gift to be embraced.
- Written by a subject expert and practising psychologist, this book combines the latest findings in neuroscience with practical wisdom to provide in-depth insights about the experience of living intensely.
- The established and market leading books in this category are very American and somewhat dated in tone, despite revisions. This is the most contemporary book on the market.
- Imi Lo is young, charismatic, highly regarded and very media-friendly.

Author Biography

Imi Lo is a consultant, psychotherapist, and published author with extensive and international experience in psychotherapy and mental health. Her books *Emotional Sensitivity and Intensity* and *The Gift of Intensity* are available worldwide and in multiple languages.

Imi Lo has held roles as mental health supervisor, suicide crisis counselor, psychotherapist, and trainer to therapists and coaches. While living in various countries, she worked for National Health Service (UK), Médecins Sans Frontières/ Doctors Without Borders, Samaritan Befrienders, and Mind.

Imi has two Master's degrees, one in Mental Health and one in Buddhist Studies.

She is trained in Jungian theories, philosophical counseling, mentalization-based treatment, solution-focused coaching, trauma-informed practices, and mindfulness-based modalities.

She has appeared in major publications such as *The Psychologies Magazine*, *Marie Claire*,



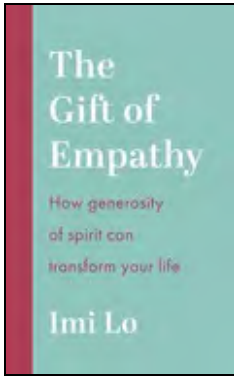
The Daily Mail, and The Telegraph.

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The Gift of Empathy

How generosity of spirit can transform your life

Imi Lo

Author Biography

Imi Lo is a consultant, psychotherapist, and published author with extensive and international experience in psychotherapy and mental health. Her books *Emotional Sensitivity and Intensity* and *The Gift of Intensity* are available worldwide and in multiple languages.

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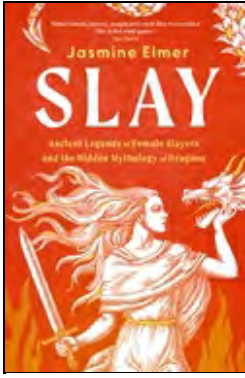
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Goddess with a Thousand Faces

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Slay: Ancient legends of female slayers and the hidden mythology of dragons

Jasmine Elmer

Keynote

From the ancient world expert and author of *Goddess with a Thousand Faces* Jasmine Elmer, comes a distinctive and revelatory historical and mythological exploration of dragons, the stories and cultures around them, and the fierce women who slayed them.

Description

A groundbreaking and seminal chronicle of the hidden history and mythology of female dragon slayers from ancient world expert and author of *Goddess with a Thousand Faces* Jasmine Elmer.

The dragon is a monster with a rich history of symbolism in almost every culture. In the stories that have been passed down through time, dragons lurk in the great wild, in dark, unknown and mysterious lands that exist on the periphery of human civilisation. Only the bravest of souls dare venture into the darkness to vanquish the dragon - and so often the tales have only shone light on the men. But what if there is so much more to this narrative?

Jasmine Elmer shifts the spotlight to the daring and victorious female dragon slayers that have been written out of history. Combining historical research with mythological retelling, *Slay* is a celebration of the dragon - and the woman that conquered the monsters - that has never been done before.

***Slay* is a distinctive and revelatory historical and mythological exploration of dragons, the stories and cultures around them, and the fierce women who slayed them.**

Praise for *Goddess with a Thousand Faces*

'Fascinating, fun and thoughtful and enlightening' **Jennifer Saint, author of *Ariadne***

'A beautiful weave of history, myth and storytelling by one of our most exciting new classicists' **Dan Snow, historian and TV presenter**

'Gorgeous. Jasmine Elmer has a fierce passion for these women, and this shines through in her writing' **Lizzy Tiffin, author of *Bad Girls of Ancient Greece***

'If you love history and feminist retellings, this is your next must-read' **Rachel Blackmore, author of *Costanza***

'Jasmine Elmer's sparkling debut offers up a refreshing, inclusive and powerfully feminist manifesto for what it means to be a goddess, ancient and modern' **Emily Hauser, author of *Mythica***

Sales Points

- **The first of its kind:** *Slay* is set to be a standout title in the feminist and cultural history genre. Jasmine takes a unique, bold and empowering approach to ancient dragon lore by unveiling the too-often dismissed stories of female dragon slayers. Dragons are booming in the fiction market and this book is uniquely placed to bring them to light from cultural, anthropological and historical angles, all with a feminist twist. It would appeal brilliantly to both existing fans of dragon literature as well as a broad historical and mythological non-fiction audiences.
- **Unique storytelling:** Jasmine's 'history with soul' approach reorientates the traditional factual learning of the past toward a personalised feeling of the realities of the past, with the relevance to us today at its centre. Each dragon slayer is brought to life with a beautifully written and evocative short story, before Jasmine dives into examining their story with cultural expert analysis. She seamlessly blends mythological retellings with historical research into truly accessible storytelling.
- **Forgotten history:** Fiercely feminist and subversive, *Slay* shifts the spotlight to the daring and victorious female dragon slayers that have been written out of history. These women have often been relegated to the sidelines by their male heroic counterparts - Jasmine restores them to their own power, and in doing so, raises vital questions about female rage and power in our modern societies today.
- **Expert author:** Jasmine Elmer is an ancient world expert with over twenty years' experience in the field of classical education. Growing up in a mixed-race family, in a council estate in the East End of London, Jasmine knows how far removed the ancient world can feel from our hectic modern one. Jasmine says, 'The ancient world belongs to everyone and not just the elite few.'
- **High-profile author:** Jasmine's Instagram @history_with_soul has over 12k followers, and she has presented TV shows for Channel 4, Channel 5, National Geographic, Discovery Channel and History Hit. Her podcast Legit Classics was launched with the aim of making everyone love the Classics as much as she does, and it has featured



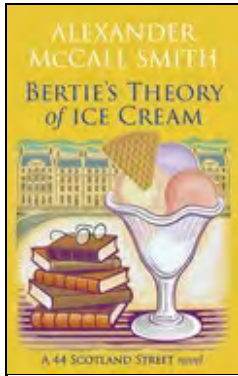
guests such as The Unmummys Mum, Bobby Seagull and Stuart Goldsmith.

Author Biography

Jasmine Elmer is a straight-talking ancient world expert. Deciding her subject needed a 'glow up', she began her mission in 2020 to make the subject relatable and representative. Outside of writing, she spends her time bringing that energy to television screens, appearing on broadcast channels such as Channel 4, Channel 5 and National Geographic, as well as hosting and featuring on many podcasts. You can also find Jasmine on Instagram @history_with_soul. Her debut book *Goddess with a Thousand Faces* is a bold exploration of world goddesses, blending storytelling with historical fact. It follows from years of research as a student at universities like UCL, Cambridge and Exeter and a career as a secondary school teacher of Classics. She is of dual heritage, Pakistani and white, and her mother was born in Canada. She grew up in East London but now lives in Exeter, Devon with her husband and son. She has five cats and is absolutely not ashamed of that fact! When she has some downtime, she loves spending time in nature, curling up with a good book and a hot choc, and having a laugh with her friends. She flits between meditation and being frazzled. Such is life.

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Bertie's Theory of Ice Cream

Alexander McCall Smith

Keynote

Book 18 in the hugely popular 44 Scotland Street series by worldwide bestselling author Alexander McCall Smith

Description

Book 18 in the hugely popular 44 Scotland Street series by worldwide bestselling author Alexander McCall Smith

"It's like ice cream, Mr Flynn," Bertie continued. "When you have ice cream, you need to eat it straight away, otherwise it melts. If there are people who haven't got any, you should share it, if you can."

When despair for the world grows, Bertie's theory of ice cream reminds us that it's the simple pleasures in life that we should hold onto. And everyone's favourite seven-year-old has a lot to put up with: at home, Irene is planning lessons on Irish Culture for Bertie; at school, he is forced to join Olive and Pansy's book group, and during a day out with his best friend Ranald Braveheart Macpherson, the boys find themselves unexpectedly invited to a wedding.

Meanwhile, Bruce's latest property venture goes horribly wrong after trying to move a flat's front door to give it a more prestigious address. At Nine Mile Burn, Matthew and the triplets try to adopt an unwillingly-vegan dog. And Sister Maria-Fiori dei Fiore Montagna discovers the missing part of the Stone of Scone in Drummond Place Gardens.

Filled with Alexander McCall Smith's trademark warmth and humour, this latest book in the series is a must-read.

Sales Points

- Abacus's editions of Alexander McCall Smith's 44 Scotland Street series have sold over 1.6 million copies
- English language sales for McCall Smith's titles now exceed 20 million copies worldwide
- Alexander McCall Smith has been recognised as Author of the Year three times (BA, NIBBIES and Waterstones)

Author Biography

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



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Flat Earth

'This novel will soon be in the hands of cool girls everywhere' *The Times*

Anika Jade Levy

Keynote

From a sharp, sardonic new voice, an unforgettable debut novel about female friendship, sex, money, art and America - destined to become a cult classic

Description

A book of the year in the *Daily Mail* and the *New Statesman*

'Hypnotic' *Financial Times*
'Captivating' *Daily Mail*
'Visionary' Chris Kraus

Avery is flailing financially and emotionally. Struggling with graduate school and the collection of cultural reports she is supposed to be writing, she dates older men for money, and others for the oblivion their egos offer. In desperation, she takes a job at a right-wing dating app.

Meanwhile her wealthy best friend, Frances, drops out of grad school, gets married, and somehow still manages to finish an experimental documentary about rural isolation and right-wing conspiracy theories. Frances's triumphant return to New York as the toast of the art world sends Avery into a tailspin, pushing her to make a series of dangerous decisions.

Sales Points

- **For fans of Sheila Heti, Ottessa Moshfegh and Mary Gaitskill**
- Anika Jade Levy is one of the founding editors of *Forever Magazine* and has a growing social media following, strong author connections and links to UK events series *Soho Reading Series*

Author Biography

Anika Jade Levy is a writer from Colorado. She is a founding editor of *Forever Magazine* and teaches in the School of the Arts program at Columbia. She is a contributor at *Playboy* and her reporting has appeared in *GQ*, *Nylon* and *Interview*.

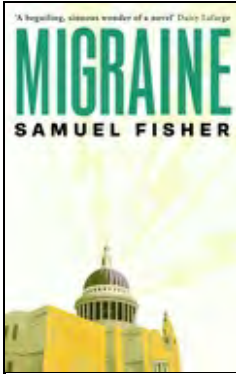
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Migraine
Samuel Fisher

Keynote

Opening in East London, *Migraine* follows two men, one young and the other on the other side of middle age, as they cross the weather-ravaged city pursuing a doomed love.

Description

'An essential contribution to modern storytelling' Emma Glass

'With elegance and humanity, *Migraine* sheds light on some of our darkest and most urgent questions... What type of life can we hope to build in the aftermath of collapse? How might we love one another when we are walled off by the solitude of pain?' Keiran Goddard

Opening in East London, *Migraine* follows two men as they cross the weather-ravaged city pursuing a doomed love.

The snow has melted, but the thaw reveals a world transformed. London is in ruins, its population a fraction of its pre-freeze level. The weather has become wildly unpredictable - huge pressure swings leading to powerful localised storms. And this has led to an epidemic of migraine. When a storm hits, the pain comes, along with a wide range of visual and haptic hallucinations named migraine 'aura'.

The novel starts with Ellis, one of a very small proportion of the population who don't suffer from weather-induced migraines, being struck by a migraine attack for the first time. After being blinded by hallucinations, he wakes in a ruined bookshop with its former owner, Sam, who pulled him to safety from the storm. No longer excluded from the migraine epidemic, Ellis decides to find his ex-girlfriend, Luna, and win her back. With Sam tagging along, he sets out from the bookshop and heads south.

Compelling and insightful, *Migraine* is concerned with questions such as: what does a society look like, if it's organised around chronic pain? What kind of culture would this set of conditions produce?

Sales Points

- Samuel Fisher is the co-owner of Burley Fisher Books in Hackney, and is well-connected with booksellers across the industry
- A follow-up novel to Wivenhoe (2022), but can also be read as a standalone novel

Reviews

- "For a story about civilisational collapse it's remarkable how intimate *Migraine* is, how lived-in, how rich in sense of place. Fisher has written a great London novel by sweeping nearly everything from the city and then leaning in close to what remains" - *Ned Beauman*
- "*Samuel Fisher's prose moves with swift and sure tread across the glinting particulars of locality, until that condition, that curse, with its pains and pleasures, becomes universal. Our fate. Our challenge. Our discarded future*" - *Iain Sinclair*
- "An entrancing London parable that blends dystopia, witty social commentary and the radical edges of an apocalypse road movie. What more could you want?" - *Holly Pester*
- "*Migraine* stages a future whose precursors, we feel, are already here. Fisher's writing is affecting, eye-opening, exacting, and it carries with it what I want to call kindness" - *Isabel Waidner*

Author Biography

Samuel Fisher is a writer, bookseller and publisher. His debut novel, *The Chameleon* (Salt, 2018) was longlisted for the Desmond Elliott Prize, shortlisted for the Collyer Bristow Prize and won a Betty Trask in 2019. His second novel *Wivenhoe* was published by Corsair in 2022. He co-owns Burley Fisher Books in Hackney and is a director of Peninsula Press.

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All the Ways You Save Me

A completely heartbreaking and unforgettable romance

Melissa Wiesner

Keynote

A totally unputdownable and suspenseful romance filled with heartache, hope and a touch of spice from the 150,000-copy selling author Melissa Wiesner. Anyone who loves Colleen Hoover, Paige Toon or Carley Fortune will adore *All the Ways You Save Me*.

Description

I gasp, staring into a pair of blue eyes as strong arms pull me from the water. It's him. Adam. My first love, who died in a terrible accident. It's impossible... but could Adam still be alive?

Madeline and **Jason** are engaged and planning their wedding. Although they'll never forget the loss of their best friend, happiness feels just around the corner... Until Madeline is saved by a stranger on the beach. **And she's certain it's Adam standing in front of her.**

But the man says his name is Garrett. Maybe Madeline was confused. The fact that his eyes, and lips, and dark wavy hair dripping with saltwater are just the same as Adam's must be a coincidence. *Right?*

But as Madeline searches for answers, she uncovers dangerous secrets about the boy she once loved and the life she's built. **When the past comes calling, will it tear her apart forever?**

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- Love triangle
- Rescue romance
- Mistaken identity

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"WOWZA!!!... Had me **hook, line, and sinker from the very first page!!!!!!** I loved this... Wonderful... I was **literally glued** to the pages' Openbookposts, □□□□□□□□□□

"MY GOD WHERE DO I BEGIN... Loved... My God I **did not see that twist coming...** Made me **gush!! So!! Hard!!!**" *Alyaaheartbooks*, □□□□□□□□

"Welllll sheesh I was **up till 3 a.m.** with this book... I **loved this... awesome...** will have you **gripping your seat.**" Goodreads reviewer, □□□□□□□□□□

"I **absolutely adored this** book!... So **captivating...** I **couldn't put it down** for a single moment." Goodreads reviewer, □□□□□□□□□□

"**Heartfelt...** Emotional... I **reached for tissues more than once.**" Goodreads reviewer, □□□□□□□□□□

"Oh my goodness I **absolutely loved** this book... Such a **beautiful** story... **I could not put it down!"** *jessicaleighanne_*, □□□□□□□□

"Will **tear your heart up and heal it all at the same time...** A page-turner... Will keep readers **on the edge of their seats.**" *chapters_in_sweatpants*, □□□□□□□□

"**Perfect...** I was **hooked immediately from chapter one.**" *Readingandgrieving*, □□□□□□□□

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| Publication date | Thursday, July 16, 2026 |
| Price | £9.99 / ₹799 |
| Main Identifier | 9781805507529 |
| Thema 1.6 | Modern and Contemporary romance (FRD) Romance (FR) Romance: friends to lovers (FRLC) Family life fiction / Stories about family (FS) |
| Binding | Paperback |
| Format | B Format |
| Extent | 384 pages |
| Word Count | |
| Exclusively for Sale | UK; World (ex USA, Can) |
| Not for Sale | Can; USA |

Sales Points

- Melissa is an Amazon UK top-ten and US top-five bestseller.
- Melissa has sold 150,000 units across her titles and her work has been translated into 12 languages.
- The first in a pair of linked books set in Sandy Harbor.
- Packed with tropes and perfect for Tiktok romance readers.

Author Biography

Melissa Wiesner is a night-owl who began writing novels about five years ago when her early-to-bed family retired for the evening. In 2019, she won the Romance Writers of America Golden Heart® Award in the Mainstream Fiction Category for her first novel. Melissa holds two Master's Degrees in Public Health and Community Agency Counseling. Her day job is in Social Work where she often encounters people knocked down by hard times but who pick themselves up and keep going, just like the characters of her novels. Melissa lives in Pittsburgh, PA with her charming husband and two adorable children.



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Reading Champion: The Wishing-Chair: The Witch's Garden Red Band 2

Jackie Walter (Illustrated By Liliana Perez)

Keynote

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

Description

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

In this story, the Wishing-Chair whisks Mollie, Peter and Binky off on an adventure, but they get stuck in a witch's garden! Luckily, the witch's cat might be able to help them...

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

Sales Points

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

Author Biography

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

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| Publication date | Thursday, July 09, 2026 |
| Price | £6.99 / ₹499 |
| Main Identifier | 9781445196756 |
| Thema 1.6 | Educational: First / native language: Readers and reading schemes (YPCA21) English (2ACB) For primary education (4CD) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF) |

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

Previous Titles

The Land of Sweets, 9781445196671
The Land of Dreams, 9781445196640
The Land of Wishes, 9781445196701
The Land of Surprises, 9781445196732
The Wizard's Party, 9781445196794

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Reading Champion: The Secret Seven: The Lost Car Blue Band 4

Jackie Walter (Illustrated By Holly Bushnell)

Keynote

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

Description

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

In this story, Colin and Barbara meet a woman and her grandson in the park. The boy has lost his toy car, and he is very upset. So, Colin and Barbara begin to look for clues to find it!

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

Sales Points

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

Author Biography

Jackie Walter (Author)

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

Holly Bushnell (Illustrator)

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

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| Publication date | Thursday, July 09, 2026 |
| Price | £6.99 / ₹499 |
| Main Identifier | 9781445197098 |
| Thema 1.6 | Educational: First / native language: Readers and reading schemes (YPCA21) English (2ACB) For primary education (4CD) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF) |

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| CBMC | B3N79 |
| Age | 5-7 years |
| Subject | Fiction |
| Type | Ordinary Printed Book Format |
| Character | Non-character |
| Tie In | Non Tie-in |
| Binding | Paperback |
| Format | 210x148 |
| Depth | 16mm |
| Extent | 24 pages |
| Word Count | |
| Exclusively for Sale | UK; World (ex USA, Can) |
| Not for Sale | Can; USA |

Previous Titles

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 The Stolen Badge, 9781445197029
 The Missing Hamster, 9781445197050
 The Town Fair, 9781445197111
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| Publication date | Thursday, July 02, 2026 |
| Price | £8.99 / ₹599 |
| Main Identifier | 9781444984422 |
| Thema 1.6 | Graphic novels (XAB) Graphic novel / Comic book / Manga: Crime, mystery and thrillers (XQD) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ) Interest age: from c 9 years (5AK) |

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

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| Binding | Paperback |
| Format | 202x160 |
| Depth | 6mm |
| Extent | 64 pages |
| Word Count | |
| Series | Famous Five Graphic Novel |
| Exclusively for Sale | UK; World (ex USA, Can) |
| Not for Sale | Can; USA |

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| Author born in | East Dulwich |
| Author living in | Deceased |

Previous Titles

Famous Five Graphic Novel: Five on a Treasure Island
 Famous Five Graphic Novel: Five Go Adventuring Again
 Famous Five Graphic Novel: Five Run Away Together
 Famous Five Graphic Novel: Five Go to Smuggler's Top
 Famous Five Graphic Novel: Five Get Into Trouble
 Famous Five Graphic Novel: Five Go Off in a Caravan

Famous Five Graphic Novel: Five on a Hike Together Book 7

Enid Blyton and Béja & Nataël

Keynote

The Famous Five told as a graphic novel for the first time ever. Ideal for anyone who loves Enid Blyton, *Tintin* or *Asterix*.

Description

Join the adventure with the Famous Five - brought to life for the first time as an exciting full-colour graphic novel!

Julian, Dick, Anne, George and Timmy the dog are off on another adventure! When Dick gets a secret message meant for someone else, the Famous Five are on red alert. They think an escaped convict is involved, and when the police won't help, it's once again up to them to solve the mystery themselves . . .

Brilliantly retold with all the fun, danger and excitement of the original books, in a fast-paced format for fans old and new. This superb new edition of the Famous Five will capture the imagination of readers of any age.

Sales Points

- The Famous Five is the best-selling series from this classic author - 2 million copies sold every year round the world
- First ever graphic novel edition of Enid Blyton's beloved books
- Brilliantly retold, designed and illustrated by a talented father-and-son team of graphic novel experts

Author Biography

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

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

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

Béja and Nataël

Nataël and Béja (his son, born in 1961) have been creating graphic novels together since the 1980s. Nataël studied the sociology of art and wrote his thesis on the connections between literature and comic books. He creates the plot and text for the graphic novels and Béja is the illustrator. Béja was passionate about drawing from a young age and always loved comics. But before he even drew his first comic, with a childhood friend, he built a set of a Tintin figurines and scenery and created a game. Their first 'bande dessinée' of the Famous Five was published in 2016 and they have created 7 so far.



The Magic Pet Shop Stories: Pugicorn's Mermaid Mystery

Book five in a new chapter book series

Matilda Rose (Illustrated By Tim Budgen)

Keynote

Princess Ava and Pugicorn are diving into their next magical adventure! The fifth book in a new series for young readers featuring the stars from the *Pugicorn* picture books.

Description

At the *Magic Pet Shop*, adorable magical animals need help! Luckily, Princess Ava and Pugicorn are always ready to lend a hand.

It's summer in Twinkleton-Under-Beanstalk, and everyone is feeling the heat. It's almost too hot to do anything - but pets still need help!

Millie the mermaid's magic pet Starwhal has been feeling sad, and no one knows why. Can Princess Ava and Pugicorn have an adventure under the sea and solve the mystery of Starwhal's gloomy mood?

PUGICORN'S MERMAID MYSTERY is the next book in the enchanting new series of chapter books from the creators of *The Magic Pet Shop* picture books. With accessible text and adorable illustrations throughout, this is perfect for newly independent and developing readers.

Discover more books in *The Magic Pet Shop Stories* series:

Pugicorn to the Rescue
Pugicorn's Sleepover Surprise
Pugicorn's Snowy Friend
Pugicorn Saves the Show
Pugicorn's Mermaid Mystery
Pugicorn's Christmas Dragon

Sales Points

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

Author Biography

Matilda Rose (Author)

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

Tim Budgen (Illustrator)

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

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| Publication date | Thursday, July 02, 2026 |
| Price | £7.99 / ₹399 |
| Main Identifier | 9781408374214 |
| Thema 1.6 | Children's / Teenage fiction: General, modern and contemporary fiction (YFB) Children's / Teenage fiction: Action and adventure stories (YFC) Children's / Teenage fiction: Fantasy (YFH) Children's / Teenage fiction: Magical realism / Magical fantasy (YFHD) Children's / Teenage fiction: Nature and animal stories (YFP) Children's / Teenage general interest: Pets and pet care: Dogs (YNNH1) Children's / Teenage general interest: Queens, kings, princesses, princes etc (YNMW) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) |

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

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| Binding | Paperback |
| Format | B Format |
| Extent | 160 pages |
| Word Count | |
| Series | The Magic Pet Shop Stories |
| Exclusively for Sale | UK; World (ex USA, Can) |
| Not for Sale | Can; USA |

Previous Titles

Previous books in *The Magic Pet Shop*



Ten Little Vikings

Mike Brownlow (Illustrated By Simon Rickerty)

Keynote

TEN LITTLE: now a major TV series on Sky Kids! Help ten little Vikings track down a pack of giant dragons in this action-packed rhyming and counting adventure.

Description

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

Join ten daring Vikings for an adventure through stormy seas, bubbling geysers and more in this fast-paced rhyming and counting adventure!

Ten Little Vikings watch some dragons fly away - until they spot a baby dragon left behind, shivering in the hay! Follow the Viking clan as they battle and barge their way past naughty gnomes, sleeping trolls and Norse gods, to get one little baby dragon back home.

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

Sales Points

- Book number 15 in the bestselling series - over 2.6 million copies sold!
- Rhythmic rhyming text with lots of sounds to read aloud
- Bright, graphic, action-packed illustrations from a Roald Dahl Funny Prize winner, featuring Vikings, dragons, Norse Gods, naughty gnomes and more!
- A contemporary counting rhyme; learn to count from ten to one and back again as the little vikings disappear then reappear

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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| Publication date | Thursday, July 02, 2026 |
| Price | £7.99 / ₹499 |
| Main Identifier | 9781408370575 |
| Thema 1.6 | Early years: numbers and counting (YBLC) Children's / Teenage fiction: Stories in verse (YFV) For National Curriculum Early Years (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACA) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC) |

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

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

Previous Titles

Ten Little Pirates
Ten Little Princesses
Ten Little Dinosaurs
Ten Little Monsters
Ten Little Elves
Ten Little Superheroes
Ten Little Robots
Ten Little Aliens
Ten Little Monkeys
Ten Little Unicorns
Ten Little Penguins
Ten Little Bugs
Ten Little Fairies

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| Large print | Refer to Publisher |
| Podcast | Refer to Publisher |
| Translation | Refer to Publisher |
| Undramatised (straight) reading | Refer to Publisher |
| US | Refer to Publisher |



DreamWorks Gabby's Dollhouse: Easy Colouring Book

Official Gabby's Dollhouse

Keynote

Join Gabby and the Gabby Cats for hours of colouring fun! An official Dreamworks Gabby's Dollhouse colouring book.

Description

Join Gabby and the Gabby Cats for hours of colouring fun!

This easy and relaxing colouring book is perfect for little fans of *Gabby's Dollhouse* who love creativity, imagination and cat-tastic adventures.

Grab your markers, crayons or pencils and get colouring with Pandy Paws, CatRat, MerCat and more . . . It's that easy. Perfect for young artists aged 3+.

Features:

- *32 fun and simple illustrations from Dreamworks' Gabby's Dollhouse
- *Perfect for preschoolers and early learners
- *Encourages creativity, focus and fine motor skills
- *Ideal for birthday gifts, party bags or rainy-day fun.

Sales Points

- Hugely popular animated series from Dreamworks Animation (*How to Train Your Dragon*, *Kung Fu Panda*), in partnership with streaming giant, Netflix.
- Top-rated Netflix preschool show; top-rated global preschool brand.
- **18+ billion** global views on YouTube; **254+ million** music streams; **32+ million** app downloads.
- Top-selling toy range from Spinmaster; *Gabby's Dollhouse Magazine* also available (Kennedy Publishing).
- Promotes imagination, resilience, crafting, kindness and friendship.

Author Biography

DreamWorks' **Gabby's Dollhouse** is a top-rated Netflix preschool show full of imagination, kindness and friendship. Gabby uses her kitty ears to get tiny and join her friends on a-meow-zing adventures in the dollhouse.

Publication date **Thursday, July 30, 2026**
 Price **£6.99 / ₹499**
 Main Identifier **9781408377215**
 Thema 1.6 **Children's interactive and activity: drawing, colouring and painting (YBGC)**
Children's / Teenage general interest: Dolls, figures and similar toys (YNVD1)
Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)
For National Curriculum Early Years (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACA)

CBMC **A5L68**
 Age **0-5 years**
 Subject **Non-fiction**
 Type **Activity Book**
 Character **Character**
 Tie In **TV / Film Tie-in**

Binding **Paperback**
 Format **265x210**
 Extent **32 pages**
 Word Count
 Series **DreamWorks Gabby's Dollhouse**
 Not for Sale **USA**

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 2nd Serial **Refer to Publisher**
 Audio **Refer to Publisher**
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 Electronic **Refer to Publisher**
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Tiny Pony Friends: Best Friends Book 4

Linda Chapman

Keynote

An enchanting pony series for readers age 5+ from Linda Chapman, the bestselling author of MY SECRET UNICORN.

Description

Tiny ponies . . . big adventures!

Poppy and Harper are best friends who share a magical secret - their tiny toy ponies can come to life! While the girls are away on a seaside holiday, they are suddenly whisked away to Pony Land, where they find the Friendship Ponies in trouble. Now nobody is getting along.

Can Poppy and Harper restore the ponies' friendship power?

Beautiful black and white illustrations bring the magical ponies to life in these chapter books suitable for young readers aged 5 and up.

Sales Points

- The perfect wish-fulfilment series for readers who long to have their very own pony
- Pony stories have perennial appeal
- Very experienced UK based author who is a keen equestrian
- Features beautiful black and white illustrations throughout

Author Biography

Linda Chapman is the million-copy selling author of more than 250 books including such series as *My Secret Unicorn*, *Star Friends* and *Stardust* as well as writing for the *Rainbow Magic* and *Heartland* series and being co-author of the New York Times best-selling series, *Unicorn Academy*, along with close friend, Julie Sykes. The biggest compliment Linda can get is for a child to tell her they became a reader after reading one of her books. She lives in Nottinghamshire with her family, three dogs and two ponies.

Her website is www.lindachapmanauthor.co.uk

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| Main Identifier | 9781843624981 |
| Thema 1.6 | Children's / Teenage fiction: Magical realism / Magical fantasy (YFHD) Children's / Teenage general interest: Ponies, horses and related animals (YNNJ24) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) Interest age: from c 6 years (5AG) |
| CBMC | B3N79 |
| Age | 5-7 years |
| Subject | Fiction |
| Type | Ordinary Printed Book Format |
| Character | Non-character |
| Tie In | Non Tie-in |
| Binding | Paperback |
| Format | B Format |
| Extent | 128 pages |
| Word Count | |
| Series | Tiny Pony Friends |
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Unbelievable Football Short Colour Stories: Inspiring Heroes!

Matt Oldfield

Keynote

The exciting new football story series for readers aged 5+, from bestselling author of *Unbelievable Football* and *Ultimate Football Heroes*, Matt Oldfield.

Description

The perfect colour story book for young football lovers aged 5 and up!

Get ready to read three amazing stories about the most inspiring football heroes ever.

In the first half, meet the amazing referee encouraging children from all walks of life into football.

In the second half, discover the incredible Thai football team who play on a floating pitch!

In extra time, play football on the top of a mountain, on the world's highest football pitch.

Full of football action and fun facts at half time, *Football Heroes* is perfect for shared reading or for newly confident readers to enjoy independently. Plus, feel the thrill of the game with vibrant full-colour illustrations.

From bestselling author of *Unbelievable Football* and *Ultimate Football Heroes*, Matt Oldfield.

Sales Points

- **BESTSELLING AUTHOR:** We've sold over 177,000 copies of *Unbelievable Football* out of the warehouse since 2019 and the series continues to perform well week on week. Some of Matt's bestselling 'Football Heroes' books have sold 100k+ on TCM.
- **COLOUR SERIES EXTENSION:** Bringing Matt Oldfield's name recognition to a new age group with six full-colour books for younger 5-7 readers. Perfect for young football fans transitioning between picture books and longer form, with illustrations throughout and colour on every page.
- **EARLY READERS:** Reading daily is important for developing strong reading habits. Non-fiction and football can be appealing to reluctant readers who want to know more about their favourite hobby. *Unbelievable Football Short Colour Stories* is perfect for shared reading or young readers reading independently for the first time.
- **SUMMER OF FOOTBALL:** Publishing in Spring 2026 as the season reaches its climax and the run up to the World Cup 2026 is in full swing.
- **AWARD WINNER:** *Unbelievable Football 1* won the inaugural *The Telegraph Sport Book Award 2020: Children's Book of the Year*

Author Biography

Matt Oldfield is the author of the *Unbelievable Football* series, including a 2026 World Book Day title, and winner of the 2020 Children's Sports Book of the Year. He is author of the *Johnny Ball: Football Genius* series, as well as the co-author of the bestselling *Ultimate Football Heroes* and *Football GOAT* series. He has also worked with Lioness Beth Mead on her children's book, *Roar*, which won the 2024 Children's Sports Book of the Year award. To date, his books have sold over 3 million copies worldwide.

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The Treasure Hunt
True stories of treasures lost, stolen and found
Leisa Stewart-Sharpe (Illustrated By Gordy Wright)

Keynote

Discover real-life stories of treasures lost, stolen and found where YOU become the treasure hunter!

Description

Discover real-life stories of treasures lost, stolen and found where YOU become the treasure hunter!

Discover a message in a bottle that *appears* to be from the ghost of Captain William Kidd - the infamous pirate and now, it would seem, thief! Follow a breadcrumb trail of intriguing clues left by the treasure-hungry thief as he travels the world attempting to steal great artefacts, paintings, gold and more. *The Treasure Hunt* takes you on an epic adventure, where you will find out how to decipher tricky codes and uncover heart-stopping accounts of how famous treasures were lost, found or stolen!

Crack the codes to turn the page and travel from country to country. But be warned - some treasures may never be found ...

Sales Points

- An interactive treasure hunt that captures all the excitement of an epic round-the-world voyage with clue-busting mystery throughout
- Engaging interactive element of cracking codes will help readers feel as if they are on a real mystery-solving adventure
- Non-fiction content includes a mix of solved and unsolved treasure stories
- Immersive, detailed illustrations and engaging narrative non-fiction text will grip even the most reluctant reader

Author Biography

Leisa Stewart-Sharpe (Author)

Leisa Stewart-Sharpe is a trained journalist turned children's author, who writes stunning non-fiction and picture books. Originally from Australia, Leisa's childhood has inspired her love for the natural world and its strange and wonderful creatures.

Gordy Wright (Illustrator)

Gordy Wright is an illustrator and printmaker working from his studio in Glasgow, UK. He graduated with a first-class degree in illustration from the University of the West of England (UWE) in 2014. In his illustrations he aims to evoke a natural and textured feeling which he creates through a variety of layered traditional techniques. Gordy works on a wide range of editorial and publishing projects and loves to weave narratives throughout his work.

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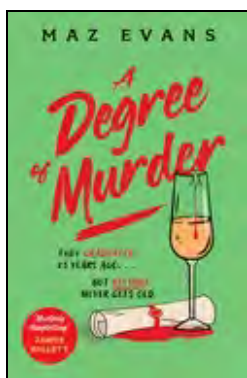
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| Thema 1.6 | Crime and / or mystery fiction (FF) Comical (humorous) crime and mystery (FFK) Crime and mystery: cosy mystery (FFJ) |

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| Binding | Paperback |
| Format | B Format |
| Extent | 368 pages |
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| Illustrations | N/A |
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A Degree of Murder

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

Maz Evans

Keynote

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

Description

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

The Class of 2000.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Praise for award-winning, bestselling author Maz Evans:

- 'Fabulous' **JANICE HALLETT**
- 'Deliciously funny' **MARTINA COLE**
- 'Pure fun in book form, a laugh out loud murder mystery...a book you won't be able to put down!' **C L MILLER**
- 'Wickedly spit-out-your-tea funny...but also heartwarming' **S. J. BENNETT**
- 'This witty mystery will please fans of Richard Osman and Janice Hallett' **The i Paper**
- 'Gorgeously warm, brilliantly witty...impossible to put down' **LUCY MANGAN**
- 'Warm, wacky and witty. I loved it!' **SALLY PAGE**
- 'A triumph' **DAILY MIRROR**
- 'Sometimes a book comes along that reminds you why you fell in love with reading. ..an absolute joy!' **WOMAN & HOME**
- 'Splendidly offbeat whodunnit' **DAILY EXPRESS**

Sales Points

- **AN ORIGINAL, HILARIOUS AND PLAYFUL CRIME NOVEL WITH AN IMAGINATIVE HOOK** Seamlessly blending a classic murder mystery with an intriguingly inventive structure, this combines the warmth of Richard Osman with the gripping playfulness of THE APPEAL.
- **AN ACCLAIMED AND AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR** Maz Evans' award-winning crime novels receive lavish praise from a wide range of authors (from Janice Hallett to Martina Cole) and from national media reviews (from the *Daily Mirror* to the *I Paper* to *Woman & Home*)
- **A HUGE AND ESTABLISHED READERSHIP** From thriller fans to book groups, this is perfectly pitched for a broad audience who love writers like Richard Osman, Janice Hallett, Robert Thorogood and Ian Moore.
- **A BESTSELLING CHILDREN'S WRITER MAKING WAVES IN ADULT FICTION** Maz Evans is the author of bestselling children's series, which have collectively sold to 30 countries worldwide and received over 50 award nominations.

Reviews

- 'Praise for award-winning, bestselling author Maz Evans:'
- 'Laugh-out-loud hilarious, moving and life affirming. I couldn't put this fabulous, first class, five star read down.' - **JANICE HALLETT**
- 'A triumph' - **DAILY MIRROR**
- 'Deliciously funny' - **MARTINA COLE**

Author Biography

Maz Evans is the award-winning author of OVER MY DEAD BODY and THAT'LL TEACH HER.



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 Series **Eddie Flynn**
 Exclusively for Sale **Cw (ex UK, Can); Ire**
 Not for Sale **Can; UK; USA**

Book locale **USA**
 Author born in **Belfast**
 Author living in **Northern Ireland**

Publishing History

Steve Cavanagh has sold over a million copies of his novels in the UK alone. His ten books have all been nominated for major awards and many are UK and international bestsellers.

Previous Titles

THE DEFENCE; THE PLEA; THE LIAR; THIRTEEN; TWISTED; FIFTY FIFTY; THE DEVIL'S ADVOCATE; THE ACCOMPLICE; KILL FOR ME KILL FOR YOU; WITNESS 8; TWO KINDS OF STRANGER

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One of Us Is Guilty
The upcoming Eddie Flynn thriller from the Top Five Sunday Times bestseller

Steve Cavanagh

Keynote

The award-winning, Sunday Times Top Five bestseller returns with a brand new thriller featuring the unforgettable Eddie Flynn.

Description

A PERFECT COUPLE. BUT ONE OF THEM IS A KILLER. WHICH ONE?

'Steve Cavanagh's twists hit you between the eyes. You never see them coming'

ANTHONY HOROWITZ

'This guy is the real deal. Trust me' **LEE CHILD**

'An absolute page turner' **SHARI LAPENA**

Patrick Vanderpool, son of a billionaire media mogul, is destined for power. But the affair he's having could ruin everything.

Vanessa Vanderpool, married to one of America's most influential men, has her own ambitions. But the affair he's having could ruin everything.

When the other woman is found brutally murdered, there are only two suspects...

One of them is guilty. But which one?

Conman turned defence lawyer Eddie Flynn must risk his life to find out...

The Sunday Times Top Five bestseller returns with a brand new thriller featuring the unforgettable Eddie Flynn.

Praise for multi-award winner Steve Cavanagh:

'A fantastic thriller writer' **MARK BILLINGHAM**

'Cavanagh is a genius... page-turning stuff' **EVENING STANDARD**

'The real magic is in Steve Cavanagh's hypnotic storytelling power' **SUNDAY EXPRESS**

'Steve Cavanagh writes the best hooks in the business' **MICK HERRON**

'A great author' **MARTINA COLE**

'Unputdownable' **ALEX MICHAELIDES**

'Will keep you guessing until the very end' **IAN RANKIN**

'Impossible to put down' **DAILY MAIL**

'The ultimate treat for crime fiction fans' **JANICE HALLETT**

'Books this ingenious don't come along very often' **MICHAEL CONNELLY**

'An absolute humdinger of a thriller - fiendishly clever and totally compelling' **TM LOGAN**

'Gripping' **THE SUN**

'If you read the first eight pages you'll be hooked' **THE TIMES**

'A masterclass in misdirection' **THE GUARDIAN**

Sales Points

- **ONE OF THE BIGGEST THRILLER BRAND NAMES IN THE UK AND IRELAND:** Steve Cavanagh is a Top Five Bestseller in the UK (reaching number #2 in the hardback fiction charts) and Number One Bestseller in Ireland. He is one of the UK's most popular thriller writers, having sold over one million books in the UK alone.
- **AN ACCLAIMED AND AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR:** With irresistible plots and a stunning cinematic style, Steve's novels receive massive praise from bestselling authors, national reviewers and high-profile media book clubs - from Lee Child, Shari Lapena and Michael Connelly to broadsheets and TV book clubs.
- **A STUNNING SERIES RETURN WITH AN IRRESISTIBLE HOOK:** Building on the massive success of his previous bestselling series and standalones, this masterful Eddie Flynn thriller is audaciously original and utterly gripping: the perfect, twisting summer read for the thriller market.
- **A MAJOR AUTHOR AND MASSIVE LAUNCH FOR HEADLINE WITH THE 10th BRILLIANT BOOK IN THE EDDIE FLYNN SERIES:** This is a lead title with a unmissable marketing and publicity campaign, celebrating ten Eddie Flynn books in the series.

Reviews

- **'PRAISE FOR TOP FIVE BESTSELLER AND MULTI-AWARD-WINNER STEVE CAVANAGH:'**
- **'Dazzling'** - *SUNDAY TIMES*
- **'Unputdownable...one of the most ingenious thrillers I've read in a long time'** - *ALEX MICHAELIDES*



• 'This guy is the real deal. Trust me' - LEE CHILD

Author Biography

Steve Cavanagh has sold over a million copies of his novels in the UK alone and over four million worldwide. His third novel, *The Liar*, won the CWA Gold Dagger for Crime Novel of the Year 2018. *Thirteen* won the Theakston Old Peculier Crime Novel of the Year 2019. *Twisted*, *Fifty-Fifty*, *The Devil's Advocate* and *The Accomplice* were all *Sunday Times* Top 10 bestsellers and his three most recent books - *Kill For Me Kill For You*, *Witness 8* and *Two Kinds of Stranger* - were all *Sunday Times* Top 5 bestsellers.

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The Little Book of Manga

OH

Keynote

A celebration of the Japanese cartoons that *show*, don't *tell*.

Description

A celebration of all things Manga, with striking facts and quotes about the Japanese phenomenon that has taken the world by storm.

"Manga" is a broad term for Japanese storytelling in the form of comic books or graphic novels. The simple but wildly expressive drawings and gripping storylines have captured the globe, with the stories spanning love, horror, sport and more - there is truly manga for everyone.

The manga hype has transcended its original book form and its popularity is now spilling into other forms of popular culture - most famously anime films and tv shows, but also into fashion and art. This tiny tome will transport you right into the magic of manga, come explore!

Sample content:

The style of manga we recognise today originated in serialised cartoon strips in 1920s Japanese magazines and newspapers.

Manga images are supplemented by sound effects that include onomatopoeia (giseigo) and imagined sounds (gitaigo).

Sales Points

- Manga sales make up a third of graphic novel purchases in the UK, have quadrupled in the US since 2020, and are projected to reach \$51.83 billion by 2032.
- The popularity of manga and anime have spread far beyond their Japanese origins to become global obsessions, with series like One Piece, Naruto, Attack on Titan, and Dragon Ball seeing massive success worldwide.
- Anime films and conventions and manga-influenced aesthetics in art and fashion show how the manga obsession has spread far beyond the books.

Author Biography

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

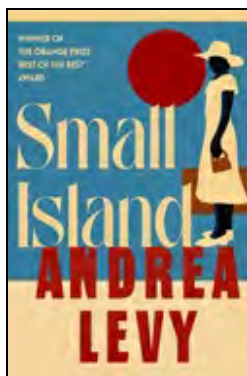
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Small Island

Andrea Levy

Keynote

The multi-award-winning, million copy bestseller... 'the literary equivalent of a switch-back ride' - *Sunday Times*

Description

Winner of the Orange Prize for Fiction, the Orange Prize 'Best of the Best', the Commonwealth Writers' Prize and the Whitbread Award

With an introduction by Monique Roffey

I did not dare to dream that it would one day be I that would go to England. It would one day be I that would sail on a ship as big as a world and feel the sun's heat on my face gradually change from roasting to caressing. But there was I! Standing at the door of a house in London and ringing the bell. Pushing my finger to hear the ding-a-ling, ding-a-ling. Oh, Celia Langley, where were you then with your big ideas and your nose in the air? Could you see me? Could you see me there in London? Hortense Roberts married with a gold ring and a wedding dress in a trunk. Mrs Joseph. Mrs Gilbert Joseph. What you think of that, Celia Langley? There was I in England ringing the door bell on one of the tallest houses I had ever seen.

'A great read . . . honest, skilful, thoughtful and important'
Guardian

'An engrossing read - slyly funny, passionately angry and wholly involving'
Daily Mail

'Gives us a new urgent take on our past'
Vogue

Sales Points

- **New introduction:** by Monique Roffey, author of *The Mermaid of Black Conch* - 'It's hard to think of a more decorated literary novel, or one that's more well-loved or read . . . a literary landmark'
- **Sold in twelve countries**, including the Czech Republic, France, Germany, Greece, Israel, Italy, Macedonia, Poland, Serbia, Slovenia, Spain and the USA
- **Adaptations:** The novel was adapted for television in two parts by the BBC in 2009. A stage adaptation by Helen Edmundson opened at the National Theatre in April 2019

Reviews

- 'Every scene is rich in implication, entrancing and disturbing at the same time; the literary equivalent of a switch-back ride' - *The Sunday Times*
- 'SMALL ISLAND is a great read, delivering the sort of pleasure which has been the stock-in-trade of a long line of English novelists. It's honest, skilful, thoughtful and important' - *Guardian*
- 'It's a magnificent achievement - and - the best compliment one novelist can give another, made me jealous' - Linda Grant
- 'What makes Levy's writing so appealing is her even-handedness. All her characters can be weak, hopeless, brave, good, bad - whatever their colour. The writing is rigorous and the bittersweet ending, with its unexpected twist, touching... People can retain great dignity, however small their island' - *Independent on Sunday*

Author Biography

After she passed away on the 14th of February 2019, the *Bookseller* wrote: 'Andrea Levy will be remembered as a novelist who broke out of the confines assigned to her by prejudice to become a both a forerunner of Black British excellence and a great novelist by any standards.'

Born in England to Jamaican parents who came to Britain in 1948, Andrea Levy wrote the novels that she had always wanted to read as a young woman, engaging books that reflect the experiences of black Britons and at the intimacies that bind British history with that of the Caribbean. She was described by BBC News as 'a writer who tackled important social issues . . . her writing . . . witty, humane and often moving, and full of richly drawn characters'.

She was the author of six books, including SMALL ISLAND, which won the Orange Prize for Fiction, and the Whitbread book of the Year, and was adapted for TV and for the stage, by the National Theatre. It was selected by the BBC as one of its '100 Novels That Shaped Our World'. Her most recent novel, THE LONG SONG, won the Walter Scott Prize and was

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shortlisted for the Man Booker Prize, and was adapted for TV by the BBC.



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HOT WAX

An electric, rock and roll fuelled story of one band's rise to stardom and one women's quest for answers

M. L. Rio

Keynote

M. L. Rio's riotous sophomore novel, HOT WAX, follows one woman on a breakneck ride to hell and back to make sense of the events that shattered her childhood.

Description

'A propulsive father-daughter story infused with rock and roll' **JENNIFER EGAN**
 '[A] feverishly-composed rock 'n' roll masterpiece' **LAYNE FARGO**
 'The sleaze of the Stooges, the energy of the Ramones and the glamour of the Cramps - Hot Wax is a pure foot-on-the-monitors, amps-up-to-ten rock 'n' roll classic' **MAT OSMAN**

Some songs keep on playing. Some crimes never fade . . .

1989: Suzanne is a wild child, swept up in her father's world of muscle cars and rock and roll. There's nowhere she would rather be than out on the road with his band, on the concert tour that might skyrocket them to stardom. After one night of chaos and bloodshed brings their whole world crashing down, young Suzanne will never be the same.

2018: Suzanne trades the guts and glory of her youth for the calm stability of suburbia, but the marriage that was supposed to be her solid ground now feels more like a cage. When her estranged father's untimely death offers her an escape, Suzanne leaps at the chance - driving back into the past she's spent decades trying to outrun, even as her present threatens to catch up.

Hot Wax is a raucous, breakneck ride to hell and back - where getting lost might be the only way to find yourself and save your soul.

Sales Points

- **HIGHLY ANTICIPATED SECOND NOVEL:** The new novel from the internationally bestselling author of BookTok favourite *If We Were Villains*, which has sold over half a million copies worldwide and racked up sales in nineteen foreign territories. *Hot Wax* is the author's first full-length novel since the massive acclaim of her debut in 2017.
- **A SWEATY, GRITTY LOVE LETTER TO ROCK N ROLL:** Tells the backstage story of the greatest rock and roll band that never made it. Combining the author's encyclopaedic rock n roll knowledge as a fan herself, and her authentic experience travelling on tours and working backstage as a music journalist.
- **FLAWED CHARACTERS AT ODDS:** Featuring the complex group dynamics that defined her debut with a new spin, an evocative, rocking nostalgia-bomb for fans of *Daisy Jones & the Six* and Rio's ensemble tragedy *If We Were Villains*.
- **RETAILER SUPPORT:** IF WE WERE VILLAINS was published in paperback in 2017 and has sold over 100,000 copies in that format. Since then, multiple hardback editions have been published (Illustrated and 5th anniversary signed) which have sold a combined 10,000 copies. GRAVEYARD SHIFT (2024) has sold 20,000 copies across formats and HOT WAX has sold over 2,300 in hardback through UK TCM.

Author Biography

M. L. Rio is the author of international bestseller and BookTok sensation *If We Were Villains*. She holds an MA in Shakespeare Studies from King's College London and Shakespeare's Globe and a PhD in early modern English literature from the University of Maryland, College Park. Her research explores representations of madness and mood disorder on the early modern stage. She lives in Washington, D. C. with too many books, too many records, and a mutt called Marlowe.

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| Book locale | South-Western USA (Nevada, New Mexico, Arizona) |
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| Author living in | Philadelphia, USA |

Previous Titles

IF WE WERE VILLAINS (2017)
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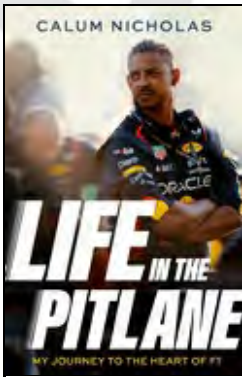
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Life in the Pitlane

Calum Nicholas

Keynote

An inspiring memoir from Red Bull's senior engineer Calum Nicholas that will open up the world of F1 like never before.

Description

Life in the Pitlane will detail the realities of life off the track; the good and the bad, with a particular spotlight on diversity and inclusion within the sport, and all the entertaining stories and behind the scenes details fans of F1 will be looking for.

Replete with all the high-octane tales and behind the scenes details you'd expect from a life lived next to the fast lane, *Life in the Pitlane* will bring a brand new perspective to this incredibly exciting corner of the market, as the inimitable Calum Nicholas reflects on his career in the sport so far, as well as the future he hopes lies ahead. Unflinching in his appraisal of F1 and where it's at in terms of diversity and inclusion, Calum hopes to spark industry-changing conversations and initiatives. While *Life in the Pitlane* will address some difficult topics, it is, ultimately, a book designed to inspire its reader - because no matter what the odds have been, Calum has always found a way to make it work.

Sales Points

- Calum's profile took off with F1 fans as a result of his role on Netflix's hit show 'Drive to Survive', and his willingness to engage with fans on social media in a sport that is still largely shrouded in secrecy. Recognising the new spotlight on his career, Calum utilises his social platforms as a vehicle to educate and champion diversity within motorsports.
- We are aiming to publish *Life in the Pitlane* as a bestselling memoir from a high-profile figure and fan favourite within F1 with a strong, agenda-setting message at its core. The book will appeal to readers of Marc Priestly's *The Mechanic* (21k TCM); *How to Build a Car* by Adrian Newey (108k TCM) and Guenther Steiner's *Surviving to Drive* (37k TCM).

Author Biography

Calum Nicholas is the Senior Power Unit Assembly Technician at Red Bull Racing and is responsible for making sure the car's various systems are operating and optimal for race day. Calum also forms part of the all-important pitstop crew that up until 2023 held the world record for an F1 pitstop.

Since joining Red Bull Racing in 2015, Calum has been part of the team that has brought Red Bull back to its winning ways. Red Bull have won four consecutive World Championships with driver Max Verstappen and in 2022 and 2023 they won the Constructors' Championship.

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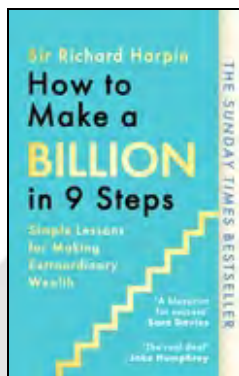
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How to Make a Billion in Nine Steps INSTANT SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER

Sir Richard Harpin

Keynote

The nine essential lessons for building an ultra-successful business, from a master entrepreneur.

Description

****THE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER****

'Richard is **the real deal** . . . **If you don't believe simple steps can deliver a business worth billions, read this, and then think again.**'

JAKE HUMPHREY, author of *High Performance*

'*How to Make a Billion in Nine Steps* is a **blueprint for success**, full of **practical strategies that actually work.**'

SARA DAVIES, TV Dragon and author of *The Six-Minute Entrepreneur*

'There's nothing that entrepreneurs need more than inspiration and practical advice . . . Richard's book has this in bucketloads . . . This is a **crucial toolkit.**'

THEO PAPHITIS, TV Dragon & Retail Entrepreneur

Richard Harpin became an entrepreneur at the age of just seven when he started selling conkers to his school friends. Fifty years later he sold a company he founded, HomeServe, for over £4 billion.

In *How to Make a Billion in Nine Steps*, Harpin shares the lessons he learned along the way, and the things he wishes he had known that could have got him to a billion-pound valuation faster.

He reveals his uncomplicated, grounded and honest approach to business, showing that start-up success is not rocket science. And he shares his practical wisdom for building a company from the ground up, identifying opportunities, creating effective marketing, planning for future growth, hiring brilliant people and developing the key qualities of a great leader.

It will inspire a new generation of CEOs, fitting them for a world of ever-evolving challenges, and revealing the path to extraordinary success.

Richard Harpin's book 'How to Make a Billion in Nine Steps' was a Sunday Times bestseller w/c 2025-07-14.

Sales Points

- **BESTSELLER:** The hardback was an instant ST bestseller and has continued to sell on; we have sold over 17,000 copies across all editions
- **STAR AUTHOR:** With his impressive media profile, business connections and extensive coaching and mentorship work, Richard Harpin is widely known and respected in his field.
- **AUTHOR NETWORK:** Richard has close connections to influencers including Simon Squibb and Jake Humphrey which we will leverage to promote on publication.
- **LEVERAGING BUSINESS PLATFORM:** The author is promoting through the Business Leader summit and marketing through their extensive newsletter following. He is also taking 5,000 copies to distribute through his mentoring work.

Author Biography

Richard Harpin was born in Huddersfield and raised in Northumberland. In 1992, with a £50,000 investment, he founded HomeServe, a home repairs and improvements company that quickly rose to become a FTSE 250 listed business serving millions of customers worldwide. Having acquired Checkatrade in 2017, HomeServe was valued at £4.1 billion at the time of its 2023 sale to Brookfield Asset Management, a Canadian investment firm.

Harpin is now the Chairman of HomeServe EMEA, the owner of *Business Leader* magazine and the *Sunday Times* business columnist. He devotes half his time to the business and the other half to fostering and supporting entrepreneurship. He lives with his wife, primarily in North Yorkshire, and occasionally in London.

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The Good Parts

The epic love story of the summer - perfect for fans of ONE DAY and ME BEFORE YOU

Evann Normandin

Keynote

A beautifully romantic story of love and heartbreak, perfect for fans of ONE DAY and ME BEFORE YOU.

Description

'I tore through *The Good Parts*, until its last page rendered me speechless . . . a staggering portrait of the pain and glory of enduring love, and a story you won't soon forget' CARLEY FORTUNE, international bestselling author of EVERY SUMMER AFTER

'A gripping, luminous love story . . . intimate, aching, and quietly profound - proof that romance can be both devastating and deeply wise' CHRISTINA LAUREN, international bestselling author of LOVE AND OTHER WORDS

**She erased their past.
He's rewriting their future.**

When Landon receives a letter from Rose - the woman he once planned forever with - he learns their love story is over. She's undergone a radical memory-erasing treatment, leaving behind her grief, her past . . . and him. But Landon can't bear to lose the love of his life. If she fell for him once, couldn't she fall for him again?

Now living in Edinburgh, Rose's world is a blank canvas, and she's dating someone new. When Landon re-enters her life as a stranger, they become friends, their lives entwining once more. But what Rose doesn't know is that this new friend carries the weight of everything they once shared: their firsts, their marriage, and the heartbreak they barely survived. And when she starts exhibiting strange symptoms, it becomes clear their history isn't gone - it's just buried. And remembering could come at a devastating cost.

Told in alternating timelines - his from the present, hers from the past - *The Good Parts* is an achingly poignant story about the people we become across a lifetime, and the quiet grace of learning to let go while holding on to what's worth keeping.

This is one love story you'll never forget.

Sales Points

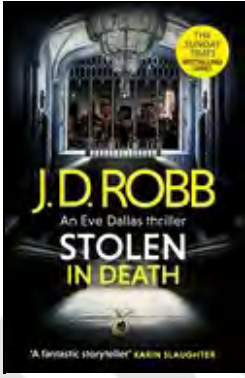
- An epic, sweeping love story - a real tear-jerker (with a twist) for fans of ONE DAY, ME BEFORE YOU, IN FIVE YEARS with just a touch of ETERNAL SUNSHINE OF THE SPOTLESS MIND.
- The themes here are powerful, emotional, universal and sometimes devastating: memory loss, emotional intimacy, love, loss and identity. The locations are escapist and transport back and forth between Vermont, USA and Edinburgh, Scotland.

Reviews

- **'I tore through *The Good Parts*, a provocative debut from Evann Normandin, until its last page rendered me speechless. This is a staggering portrait of the pain and glory of enduring love, and a story you won't soon forget'** - Carley Fortune, bestselling author of OUR PERFECT STORM
- **'An exquisite exploration of memory, grief, the choices we make, and the ways we love . . . For a book about forgetting, *The Good Parts* will not let you go, and will keep you thinking about the world she has built long after you've finished reading'** - Amy Neff, internationally bestselling author of THE DAYS I LOVED YOU MOST
- **'A complete gem . . . Evann has conjured a BIG love, conveyed in hundreds of small, beautiful moments. And the speculative angle - a most provocative what if - had just the right light, intriguing touch. It was love at first read for me and *The Good Parts*, and I'm betting literary sparks will fly for many, many other readers, too'** - Christine Pride, bestselling author of ALL THE MEN I'VE LOVED AGAIN
- **'A clever and poignant depiction of love, heartbreak, and the memories that make us who we are. Beautifully unique - and yet utterly timeless - Rose and Landon's love story will captivate and move you from the first page to the last'** - Holly Miller, bestselling author of THE SIGHT OF YOU

Author Biography

Evann Makati Normandin is a 33-year-old editor working in educational publishing. She completed her BA at Middlebury College in English with a focus on literature of trauma, and her MSc at the University of Edinburgh in English with a focus on traumatic memory. Her time living in Edinburgh continues to influence her writing, particularly her interest in



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Stolen in Death: An Eve Dallas thriller (In Death 62)

J. D. Robb

Keynote

From Sunday Times bestselling author JD Robb, the next thrilling instalment in the In Death series

Description

A violent death and a vault of stolen treasures has Eve Dallas struggling to solve crimes old and new in the latest thriller in the Sunday Times bestselling series.

A blow to the head with a block of amethyst has left multimillionaire Nathan Barrister dead-while nearby, a vault, its door ajar, sits filled with priceless paintings, jewelry, and other treasures and yet only one item seems to be missing. Is this a simple case of a burglar caught in the act or does Eve have a much bigger, bloodier mystery to solve....?

Sales Points

- Eve Dallas is the kind of strong female lead beloved by crime readers: a cop who believes in the valour of protect and serve - and kicks ass doing it
- **Over 75 million copies** of the In Death series have been sold worldwide
- Piatkus has sold over 5 million copies of the In Death series
- The In Death series is a global bestseller, appearing in the bestseller charts in the US, UK, Australia and New Zealand.

Author Biography

Nora Roberts published her first novel using the pseudonym **J.D. Robb** in 1995, introducing Eve Dallas, a New York City police lieutenant with a dark past, and billionaire Irish rogue, Roarke. Since then, the In Death series has sold over sixty-six million copies, with each new novel reaching number one on bestseller charts the world over.

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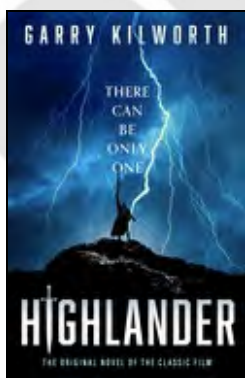
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Highlander

The original novel of the classic film that inspired the forthcoming blockbuster reboot starring Henry Cavill

Garry Kilworth

Keynote

In celebration of forty years of *Highlander* comes a new and updated edition of the highly acclaimed novelisation of this 1980s cult classic - ahead of the blockbuster film reboot starring Henry Cavill in 2027.

Description

Forty years on from the original cult classic, this is a new and updated edition of the original, much-praised novelisation - the inspiration for the upcoming major blockbuster starring Henry Cavill.

'*There Can Be Only One*'

The battle rages across the centuries, from the wind-scoured Sahara to the wild Russian steppes to the rocky crags of Scotland. And only one Immortal can survive.

MacLeod is the Highlander. A Scottish clan warrior from the 16th century, he was taught the deadly arts by an ancient mentor, who then suffered the only wound that can end an Immortal's life: decapitation.

Now, seven lifetimes later, MacLeod faces the final test. The Kurgan, his ancient adversary, has tracked him all the way to the streets of New York City.

The fight will be the same: blade to blade. Only the outcome is in doubt. Will the Highlander win? Or will the Kurgan's scimitar stop him with a blow that will plunge the earth itself into an era of darkness and chaos?

Based on the cult film classic, this is the original novel republished for a new generation.

Sales Points

- **FORTY YEARS OF HIGHLANDER:** 2026 will be the a huge year for HIGHLANDER, with the 40th anniversary of the original 1986 cult classic to be given a major campaign by its producers StudioCanal. Plus filming is expected to begin for the reboot, headed up by Henry Cavill.
- **THE WITCHER MEETS A CULT CLASSIC:** THE WITCHER's Henry Cavill and GLADIATOR's Russell Crowe are set to star in Amazon MGM's upcoming reboot of HIGHLANDER, directed by Chad Stahelski (JOHN WICK) and tipped for theatrical release in 2027. We will be exploring movie tie-in opportunities with Amazon MGM.
- **FINALLY AVAILABLE AGAIN:** The classic novelisation has long been lauded by fans and is now rereleased and refreshed for the first time in decades. We hold World All Language rights and hope to secure translation partners across the globe for this cult phenomenon, beloved worldwide.

Author Biography

Garry Kilworth was born in York during WWII and spent his childhood years in Yemen. His pleasure is world travel, and he has lived in and backpacked many times, especially in the Far East and the Pacific Islands. He is an eclectic writer, with almost 80 books to his name in several genres, and has been translated into 23 languages. He has won the World Fantasy Award and British Science Fiction Award along with his best friend and collaborator Robert Holdstock. His novelisation of *Highlander* is now considered a classic of the genre.

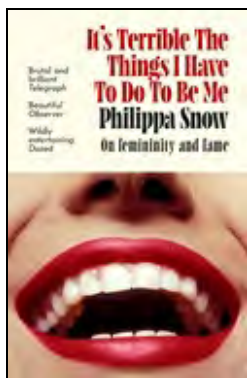
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It's Terrible the Things I Have to Do to Be Me 'A brutal and brilliant study of female celebrity' Megan Nolan, Telegraph

Philippa Snow

Keynote

A collection of essays exploring femininity, self-image and performance in the lives of iconic famous women

Description

One of the *Telegraph's* Greatest Books of 2025

'I love Philippa Snow's writing, truly and deeply' Lena Dunham

'A brutal and brilliant study of female celebrity ... a joy to read, fizzing with intelligence' Megan Nolan, *Telegraph*

'Wildly entertaining' *Dazed*

'Snow's prose is beautiful, white-hot and breathless, like a sports car speeding through the canyon' *Observer*

How does an icon become an icon? How did Anna Nicole Smith model herself on Marilyn Monroe? What connects Lindsay Lohan with Elizabeth Taylor? How is self-made beauty Pamela Anderson like trans Bond girl Caroline 'Tula' Cossey?

In a series of interconnected essays about pairs of famous women, award-nominated essayist and art critic Philippa Snow explores the echoes and connections between a constellation of female stars and lays bare the artful and gruelling demands of femininity - from the golden age of Hollywood to the Instagram era. Full of the fascinating, entertaining and lurid details you might expect from the lives of mega-famous celebrities, dissected with icicle-sharp intelligence and rendered in stylish, flamboyant prose, Philippa Snow's first full-length non-fiction work is a radically insightful book about the complex meanings and layers of femininity in a male-dominated world.

Sales Points

- Helen O'Hara's *Women Vs Hollywood* meets *The Slicks*, Maggie Nelson's exploration of Taylor Swift and Sylvia Plath
- A brilliant new voice in UK non-fiction, exploring identity, feminism - and the intersection of life on screen and IRL
- With essays about Marilyn Monroe and Anna Nicole Smith; Joan Crawford and Jane Fonda; Kristen Stewart and Louise Brooks; Pamela Anderson and Tula; Lindsay Lohan and Elizabeth Taylor; Britney Spears and Aaliyah; and Amy Winehouse and Billie Holiday

Reviews

- **'A brutal and brilliant study of female celebrity ... a joy to read, fizzing with intelligence'** - Megan Nolan, *Telegraph*
- **'Turns female celebrity inside-out. Insightful and graceful, and one of the most enjoyable books of the year'** - Nicole Flattery, author of *Show Them A Good Time*
- **'A fascinating, wry and entertaining reclamation of famous women's subjectivity'** - Amy Key, author of *Arrangements in Blue*
- **'An instant classic from the sharpest cultural critic working today. I couldn't put it down'** - Allie Rowbottom, author of *Aesthetica*

Author Biography

Philippa Snow is a writer based in Norwich. Her reviews and essays have appeared in publications including *Artforum*, the *Los Angeles Review of Books*, *ArtReview*, *Frieze*, the *White Review*, *Vogue*, the *New Statesman*, the *TLS*, and the *New Republic*. She was shortlisted for the 2020 Fitzcarraldo Editions Essay Prize, and *Which As You Know Means Violence* was published by Repeater Books in 2022.



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Previous Titles
The Curse Workers trilogy:
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White Cat

The first book in the spellbinding Curse Workers series by the No. 1 Sunday Times bestselling author of The Cruel Prince

Holly Black

Keynote

FROM THE NO. 1 SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF THE CRUEL PRINCE AND BOOK OF NIGHT . . .

Description

Meet the Curse Workers - the fan favourite urban fantasy trilogy by global phenomenon Holly Black - now reborn in these unmissable new editions with stunning reimaged covers and updated texts never before published in the UK!

Cassel comes from a family of curse workers - wielders of a dark magic with the power to change your emotions, your memories, even your luck, by the slightest touch of their hands. Since curse work was ruled illegal nearly a century ago, they're all criminals.

But not Cassel. He hasn't got the magic touch, so he's always been an outsider - the straight kid in a crooked family. As long as you ignore one small detail: he killed his best friend, Lila.

Now he's started sleepwalking, propelled into the night by terrifying dreams about a white cat that wants to tell him something. As Cassel begins to suspect he's part of a huge con game, he realises the only way to find out the truth is to outcon the conmen.

Murder mystery meets urban fantasy in the spellbinding world of the Curse Workers, where a single touch can bring love - or death - and your dreams might be more real than your memories. Brimming with dark magic, jaw-dropping twists, and a dash of romance, this iconic series is perfect for fans of Six of Crows by Leigh Bardugo and Vicious by V. E. Schwab.

PRAISE FOR THE CURSE WORKERS SERIES

'Witty, twisty, and impossible to put down' **LEIGH BARDUGO**
 'Dangerously, darkly gorgeous fantasy' **CASSANDRA CLARE**
 'An exercise in stellar worldbuilding' **V. E. SCHWAB**
 'Her most riveting work yet' **SCOTT WESTERFIELD**
 'A stunning tour de force' **LIBBA BRAY**

Sales Points

- **FROM THE MULTIMILLION-COPY BESTSELLER:** No. 1 *Sunday Times* bestseller Holly Black has sold more than 26 million copies of more than 40 books worldwide, including multiple globally beloved fantasy series from *The Spiderwick Chronicles* to the *Folk of the Air*. She has won multiple awards, including the Nebula Award, Newbery Medal, and Mythopoeic Award, and was nominated for an Emmy for her work on *The Spiderwick Chronicles*, which has been adapted for both film and television.
- **BRAND-NEW REISSUES OF HER FAN FAVOURITE SERIES:** The *Curse Workers* series, first published in 2010, follows a family of con artists and magic-workers through the dark fantasy underworld of New Jersey and New York City and soon became a fan favourite, perfect for readers of YA and crossover fantasy books like the *Six of Crows* series by Leigh Bardugo and the *Villains* series by V. E. Schwab.
- **WITH STUNNING NEW COVERS:** These beautiful new 2026 paperback editions boast stunning new covers illustrated by fantasy favourite Magdalena Pagowska (who can be found at @lenyan.art on Instagram) and will bring the series to a whole new generation of readers.
- **AND NEVER-BEFORE-SEEN CONTENT:** The brand-new editions also feature updated texts never before published in the UK.

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Previous Titles

The Curse Workers trilogy:

White Cat
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Black Heart

The third book in the spellbinding Curse Workers series by the No. 1 Sunday Times bestselling author of The Cruel Prince

Holly Black

Keynote

FROM THE NO. 1 SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF THE CRUEL PRINCE AND BOOK OF NIGHT . . .

Description

Meet the Curse Workers - the fan favourite urban fantasy trilogy by global phenomenon Holly Black - now reborn in these unmissable new editions with stunning reimaged covers and updated texts never before published in the UK!

Cassel knows he's being used as an assassin, but he's trying to convince himself that working for the Feds is the right choice, even though he's been raised to believe the government is the enemy of all curse workers.

With a mother on the run, the girl he loves about to take her place in the mob, and new secrets coming to light, the line between what's right and what's wrong becomes increasingly blurred.

When the Feds ask him to do the one thing he said he would never do again, he starts to wonder if they really are the good guys, or if it's all a con. And if it is, Cassel may have to make his biggest gamble yet - on love.

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When his oldest brother is murdered, the Feds recruit him to help make sense of the only clue recorded at the crime scene - images of a woman in red gloves. But the mob is after him too - they know how valuable he could be to them.

Cassel is going to have to stay one step ahead of both sides just to survive. But where can he turn when he can't trust anyone - least of all himself?

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The Burn Line

The gripping new London Underground horror thriller from the creator of podcast sensation The Magnus Archives, perfect for fans of Stephen King and Jordan Peele

Jonathan Sims

Keynote

From the hit creator of podcast sensation The Magnus Archives comes another blood-curdling horror thriller - this time set on the London Underground at the stifling height of summer...

Description

There's something lurking in the stifling darkness and labyrinthine tunnels that run below London... something old, something vicious, and something very, very hungry.

It's the hottest summer on record and London is dying. Prices are high, pay is low, and stressed commuters are packed onto London Underground trains again like the pandemic never happened. To add to the misery, the temperatures underground just keep climbing and climbing, the heat trapped in the clay with nowhere to go.

Then one fateful morning five travellers on an unlucky tube carriage find themselves bound together as witnesses to a single horrific event - an event they can't quite seem to remember.

They make an unlikely team - a weary tube driver, a disillusioned civil servant, an ambitious city trader, an overwhelmed hotel worker, and an unhoued young man just trying to get by - but now they must come together to confront what they have seen and stop it in its tracks before it kills them all.

From the dark and twisted mind behind *Thirteen Storeys*, *Family Business*, and podcast sensation *The Magnus Archives*, *Burnout* is a sinister and socially conscious horror masterclass perfect for fans of Stephen King, Jordan Peele, and *Black Mirror*.

Sales Points

- **FANTASTIC PLATFORM:** the author writes and stars in a UK-based horror podcast, THE MAGNUS ARCHIVES, which has over 35 MILLION DOWNLOADS with an average growth of 50,000 a month, playing a character that shares his name, ensuring fans always recognise it on his books too
- **ON TREND:** this new book taps into increasing demand for more socially conscious horror as explored by the likes of Jordan Peele and *Black Mirror*
- **TV & FILM INTEREST:** his debut THIRTEEN STOREYS sparked a TEN-WAY HOLLYWOOD BIDDING WAR
- **LGBTQ+ REPRESENTATION:** his books always feature popular queer representation
- **ILLUMICRATE INTEREST:** Illumicrate are interested in this for their horror box

Author Biography

Jonathan Sims is a writer, performer and games designer whose work primarily focuses on the macabre, the grotesque, and the gentle touch of creeping dread. He is the mind and the voice behind acclaimed horror podcast *The Magnus Archives*, high octane space-cabaret *The Mechanisms* and some of your favourite nightmares. He lives in Walthamstow with the two best cats and an overwhelming backlog of books that he really should get round to.

Market

The Magnus Archive listeners; core horror market; new BookTok horror readers; Illumicrate Evernight box subscribers; crossover fantasy audience



I Think of You Always All the Time The Love Letters of Dylan Thomas

Dylan Thomas

Keynote

A beautiful, lyrical and revealing collection of love letters from one of the most influential literary figures of all time

Description

'I wanted this to be a letter full of news, but there isn't any yet. It's just a letter full of what I think about you and me...'

Dylan Thomas's letters to the women in his life are among the most emotive, lyrical and beautiful ever to have been written. At various times cajoling, apologetic, tactical, affectionate and loving, the voice that leaps from these letters reveals Thomas at his most intimate and vulnerable; at once the adoring husband and the guilty adulterer.

This revealing collection includes letters to Pamela, Thomas's first love; Caitlin, his partner in a tempestuous marriage that nevertheless endured for sixteen years until his death; and to the women of his well-documented affairs, like Elizabeth Reitell, the woman with him on the night he died. Full of humour, longing, heartbreak and uninhibited honesty, these letters were crafted, like so much of Thomas's poetry, to secure a place in his lover's heart and memory - as all true love letters should.

Originally published as THE LOVE LETTERS OF DYLAN THOMAS

Sales Points

- **REVELATORY MATERIAL:** Thomas was a complex figure who could be both loving husband and father and a neglectful, philandering lover. There is no better way to gain a greater insight into the man and his thoughts than to read his beautiful, lyrical letters
- **PERFECT FOR GIFTING:** This slim collection (and its irresistibly romantic package) is perfect for Valentine's Day gifting and beyond
- **SERIES LOOK:** These love letters join the works of such literary titans as Patricia Highsmith, Helen Garner and Alice Walker in W&N's handsome 'diaries and letters' series look

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www.discoverdylanthomas.com

Market

Readers of literary romance; Valentine's Day gift-buyers; Dylan Thomas fans interested in the author's personal side

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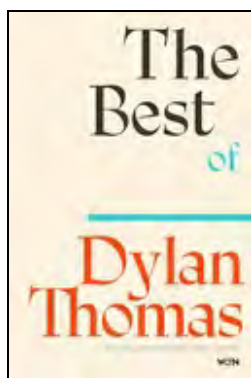
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The Best of Dylan Thomas

Dylan Thomas

Keynote

The major works of Dylan Thomas, one of the twentieth century's most revered literary figures, collected in a beautiful paperback edition. Perfect for both existing fans and readers coming new to Dylan's work

Description

*Then all the matter of the living air
Raised up a voice, and, climbing on the words,
I spelt my vision with a hand and hair . . .*

Lyrical, mercurial and perhaps more influential on popular culture than any other poet of his era, Dylan Thomas is one of the twentieth century's most iconic literary figures. *The Best of Dylan Thomas* is a rich collection of his best-loved poems, stories and broadcasts, including his beloved radio play *Under Milk Wood*.

Perfect for existing Thomas aficionados and students new to his work alike, this definitive edition includes notes, selected criticism and a chronology of the poet's life and times.

Originally published as DYLAN THOMAS OMNIBUS

Sales Points

- **THE PERFECT PRIMER:** This definitive *Best of* edition collects Thomas's best-loved poems, short stories and plays, making it the ideal primer for new readers getting to know his work
- **PERENNIAL INTEREST:** Dylan Thomas has long been one of the Anglosphere's most beloved literary figures and each generation brings more readers to his work, whether it's through his famous admirers (Bob Dylan; John Cale; Tom Waits) or the regular events, exhibitions and performances dedicated to his writing
- **GIFTY PACKAGE:** Reissued alongside Thomas's classic titles *Portrait of the Artist as a Young Dog* and *Under Milk Wood*, *The Best of Dylan Thomas* comes in a bold new package that makes it the perfect literary gift

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www.discoverdylanthomas.com

Market

Poetry readers looking for high-quality definitive editions; students encountering Thomas's work for the first time; readers looking for accessible entry points to literary figures (such as Faber's *Seamus Heaney: 100 Poems*)

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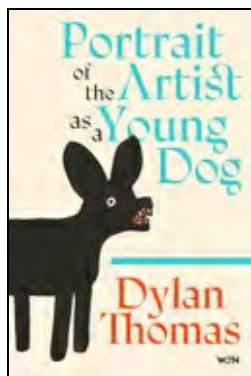
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Portrait of the Artist as a Young Dog

Dylan Thomas

Keynote

Dylan Thomas's celebrated collection of short fiction inspired by events from his youth in Wales

Description

'One afternoon, in a particularly bright and glowing August, some years before I knew I was happy...'

Charming, evocative and imbued with the melancholy of nostalgia, *Portrait of the Artist as a Young Dog* is Dylan Thomas's much-loved collection of loosely autobiographical short fiction. First we meet the young schoolboy, gloriously immersed in make-believe in a shabby farmyard; then, the budding poet with his thrilling friendships and dreams of fortune; and finally, 'young Mr Thomas', the penniless journalist who 'hoped, in a vague way, to live on women'.

Shot through with the exuberance and enthusiasm of youth, these stories reveal Dylan Thomas the poet in an entirely new light, as he explores love, death, religion, adolescent sexuality and fragile male friendships in one of the twentieth century's finest collections of short fiction.

Sales Points

- **A NEW SIDE TO DYLAN THOMAS:** Many readers are only familiar with Thomas's major poems (such as 'Do Not Go Gentle') and *Under Milk Wood*. This celebrated short story collection emphasises his strength as an accomplished author of fiction, introducing readers to a new side of Dylan Thomas
- **CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED:** *Portrait of the Artist as a Young Dog* is widely acclaimed for its verbal exuberance and idiosyncratic humour (and is perhaps second only to *Under Milk Wood* in the affections of serious Thomas enthusiasts)
- **POPULAR FORM:** The book is perfect for the growing market of short story readers in the UK, hitting the sweet spot of short, accessible yet literary fiction in a beautiful package
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Market

Readers of: Dylan Thomas's poetry; classic collections such as Joyce's *Dubliners*; short literary fiction from the Faber Stories or Penguin Archive series



The Dragon Has Some Complaints A Cozy Novel Of Friendship, Found Family and Dragons By The Award-Winning Author

John Wiswell

Keynote

From the Nebula-winning author of *Someone You Can Build A Nest In* comes a heartfelt and humorous fantasy about a dragon who finds family in the most unexpected of places.

Description

In this heartfelt and humorous fantasy, a dragon whose three heads bear rather...different personalities finds family in the most unexpected of places.

From the Nebula-winning author of *Someone You Can Build A Nest In!*

Garrodigh was once a four-headed dragon, among the most powerful in Kardoša. After an unfortunate incident, he now has three heads, one stump, and a daily whirlwind of internal bickering. Centerhead wants to rain death upon all humanity, Bottomhead is like a feral cat, and Upperhead is under the delicate delusion that he is, in fact, human.

When a nearby battle goes awry, Garrodigh sneaks into an elite dragon rider academy, pretending to be tame to get free food and a warm bed. Lucky for him, rider Rania Albright is desperate enough for a dragon of her own that she overlooks his eccentricities.

As Garrodigh recovers under Rania's care, all three heads start to turn, for the first time, in the same direction. Each wants to protect her from the invaders who killed their fourth head-the same invaders who seek to conquer Kardoša. When the academy comes under attack, can this wild dragon and his wilder rider save their homeland together?

This cozy fantasy intertwines epic battles with loving friendships, sharing an utterly unique perspective on what it means to be a 'monster.'

Sales Points

- **An award-winning author:** John Wiswell's debut, *SOMEONE YOU CAN BUILD A NEST IN*, was shortlisted for or won every major SFF award in the English-speaking world.
- **Dragons are BIG!** Everyone loves novels about dragons - witness the success of novels including *FOURTH WING* and *THE BABY DRAGON CAFE* - and John brings heart, humour and beautiful prose to this booming SFF subgenre.
- **Diverse, representative and inclusive:** John Wiswell is proudly queer and disabled and works to ensure that all his novels are not just warm and loving, but radically inclusive.
- **A lovely modern fairytale:** *THE DRAGON HAS SOME COMPLAINTS* breathes new life into old stories by telling the tale of a dragon who needs to be saved, rather than a dragon that people need to be saved from.

Reviews

- 'Have you ever been REALLY attached to your roommates? This book is for you. It's **about love, about kindness**, about overcoming trauma and disappointment, and also about three-headed dragons. **Bizarre and charming and heartwarming**-in short, it's a Wiswell book' - *T. Kingfisher, author of WOLF WORM*
- **'Get ready to meet your new favorite dragon!** I absolutely loved this wildly inventive, completely irresistible, wonderful tale!' - *Sarah Beth Durst, author of THE SPELLSHOP*
- 'The dragon may have some complaints, but readers won't. By turns **silly, sweet, and subversive**, this novel has all of Wiswell's **characteristic blend of tension and heart**' - *Caitlin Rozakis, bestselling author of STARTUP HELL*
- 'This novel is monstrously perfect, in every way' - *P. Djèlí Clark on SOMEONE YOU CAN BUILD A NEST IN*

Author Biography

John Wiswell won the Nebula Award for his short story 'Open House on Haunted Hill' and won the Locus Award for his novelette 'That Story Isn't The Story'. He has also been a finalist for the Hugo Award, World Fantasy Award, British Fantasy Award, and Locus Award. His work has appeared in acclaimed publications like *Uncanny Magazine*, *The Magazine of Fantasy & Science Fiction*, *Tor.com*, *Nightmare Magazine*, and others, as well as numerous podcasts, including LeVar Burton Reads, NoSleep, Podcastle, and Escape Pod. He was most recently a finalist of the Hugo Award a second time in 2022 for Best Novelette.

You can find him on X @Wiswell and online at <https://johnwiswell.blogspot.com>.

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Previous Titles

SOMEONE YOU CAN BUILD A NEST IN;
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Film and TV **Refer to Publisher**
Large print **Refer to Publisher**
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Translation **Refer to Publisher**
Undramatised (straight) reading **Refer to Publisher**
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Yellow Pine

'Watkins writes like an avenging angel' Jenny Offill

Claire Vaye Watkins

Keynote

An eco-socialist novel set in the American desert, about one woman's journey through the contours of the landscape and its lessons, about sacrifice and chronic grief, the refuge of love, and defending the sacred.

Description

A desert scorched feminist eco-novel, *Yellow Pine* is about a self-determined pioneer woman romping into her forties and recovering from her rugged individualism.

Rose is a divorced, disillusioned Sierra Club staffer residing in Tecopa, a tiny town in the Mojave Desert wilderness, near Death Valley. Living apart from her young daughter much of the time, she emerges from the pandemic-induced loneliness to rekindle a passionate romance with an old flame, Miles.

When their torturous on-again-off-again cycle hits 'off-again' Rose resolves to have a second baby without Miles. Enlisting her comrades from an encampment protesting Yellow Pine, a for-profit industrial solar array on formerly public land, Rose's unorthodox approach to conception becomes a search for community, rest, recovery, and communion with the divine in the face of mass extinction.

***Yellow Pine* is a meditation on disillusionment and re-enchantment, about sacrifice and chronic grief, the refuge of love, and defending the sacred.**

Sales Points

- *Yellow Pine* is a work of literary fiction and will appeal most to readers who yearn for beautiful and surprising prose that is emotionally affecting to the point of transcendence. It is also an environmentalist novel, updating environmental classics like *Silent Spring* by Rachel Carson and Edward Abbey's *The Monkey-Wrench Gang* for the 21st century surveillance state. It is also a bawdy, horny, feminist novel about a self-determined pioneer woman romping into her forties and recovering from her rugged individualism.
- Will appeal to readers of Joy Williams, Karen Russell, Jenny Offill, Lydia Millet, Nathaniel Rich, Deb Olin Unferth, Don DeLillo

Reviews

- '***Yellow Pine* is a wild desert howl of celebration and elegy.** A true prose-musician, Watkins here conducts a kind of cosmic symphony. **It's a tongue-in-cheek (and tongue-in-many-other-places) midlife epic and also an earnest cry of love for our burning, living world'** - *Karen Russell*
- '***Yellow Pine* is pure Claire Vaye Watkins. Inimitable, irrepressible, wild and true.** A romp of troubled tender outsider angst, it's also **a fresh classic of desert writing**, a lament and a hymn to the great Mohave, bombed, fenced, airbnb'ed and solarized to near ruin and to its mysterious ancient and innocent heart, the desert tortoise.' - Joy Williams, author of *Concerning the Future of Souls* and *The Visiting Privilege*
- '**Readers will be swept away by this tribute to the power and majesty of nature'** - *Publisher's Weekly* (starred review)
- '**Claire Vaye Watkins has a gift for depicting the American desert and the people who find themselves there'** - *Lit Hub* (Most Anticipated Books of 2026)

Author Biography

Claire Vaye Watkins is the author of *Battleborn*, *Gold Fame Citrus*, and *I Love You But I've Chosen Darkness*. Her awards include the Story Prize, the Dylan Thomas Prize, the Silver Pen Award from the Nevada Writers Hall of Fame and fellowships from the Guggenheim Foundation, the Lannan Foundation, and the American Academy of Arts and Letters. A graduate of the University of Nevada Reno and the Ohio State University, Claire is a professor in the Programs in Writing at the University of California, Irvine. She lives in Orange County and the Mojave Desert.

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Silent Scream

An edge-of-your-seat serial killer thriller

Angela Marsons

Keynote

An absolutely gripping, darkly compelling, and nail-bitingly tense mystery thriller that will keep you racing through the pages long into the night. A Kindle Chart #1, multi-million-copy, international bestseller, *Silent Scream* turns fans of Karin Slaughter, Val McDermid and Mark Billingham into Angela Marsons addicts.

Description

Five figures gather round a shallow grave. They had all taken turns to dig. An adult-sized hole would have taken longer. An innocent life had been taken, but the pact had been made. Their secrets would be buried, bound in blood...

Years later, a headmistress is found strangled, the first in a spate of gruesome murders which shock the Black Country. But when human remains are discovered at a former children's home, disturbing secrets are also unearthed.

Detective Kim Stone fast realises she's on the hunt for a twisted individual whose killing spree spans decades. As the body count rises, Kim needs to stop the murderer before they strike again. But to catch the killer, **can Kim confront the demons of her own past before it's too late?**

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Rachel Abbott, bestselling author of the Stephanie King series

'I absolutely loved it!... One of **the best crime thrillers I've read** in a long time, and that includes mainstream authors such as James Patterson!' *Fiona's Book Reviews*, □□□□

'Completely mind-blowing... Yep. I devoured this book in 24 hours and was sad to have finished it. All of the clichés are just true - **I couldn't put it down.**' Goodreads reviewer, □□□□

'I found myself biting my nails numerous times... **this book is brilliant.**' *Relax and Read Reviews*, □□□□

'Had me glued to its pages and obsessing... truly nail-biting... I was completely engrossed... **unmissable.**' *Book Drunk*, □□□□

'The **QUEEN of this genre.** She knows how to add the human touch to each story and I just adore her... **FABULOUS.**' *Postcard Reviews*, □□□□

Sales Points

- SILENT SCREAM is the first in the internationally bestselling Detective Kim Stone series. It has sold over one million copies since its first publication in 2015 and was a no.1 ebook bestseller.
- The Kim Stone series has sold 5.7 million copies across all formats.
- The series has been translated into 31 languages and regularly hits bestseller lists across Europe. The French edition of **SILENT SCREAM** was shortlisted in the translated fiction category for the Pocket "New Voices of Thriller" Award (*Prix Nouvelles Voix du Polar*) in 2021, and in 2020, **DEAD SOULS** won the prestigious Prize Selection Bancarella in Italy.
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Evil Games

A gripping, heart-stopping thriller

Angela Marsons

Keynote

Absolutely unputdownable, nail-bitingly tense and with a twist that will put your jaw on the floor. If you love Karin Slaughter, Val McDermid or Robert Dugoni, this will keep you flipping through the pages long into the night, and desperate to read the rest in this multi-million-copy, international bestselling series.

Description

The greater the evil, the deadlier the game...

When a rapist is found mutilated in a brutal attack, **Detective Kim Stone** and her team are called in to bring a swift resolution. But, as more vengeful killings come to light, it soon becomes clear that there is someone far more sinister at work.

With the investigation quickly gathering momentum, Kim finds herself exposed to great danger and in the sights of a lethal individual undertaking their own twisted experiment.

Up against a sociopath who seems to know her every weakness, each move Kim makes could be deadly. As the body count starts to mount, she will have to dig deeper than ever before to stop the killing. **And this time - it's personal.**

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Praise for *Evil Games*:

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Rachel Abbott, bestselling author of the Stephanie King series

'**You will not put this down, you will not sleep and you will love every second of it!** Goodreads reviewer, □□□□□

'**Exciting... chilling... totally thrilling.** This is one book that exceeded all of my expectations... Get yourself ready to take a day off and immerse yourself in this book. It is worth it.' *Northern Crime*, □□□□□

'**Has everything... riveting, emotional, sad** and most of all it has a depth that not many novels can claim... I highly recommend this one. **Simply brilliant.**' *Postcard Reviews*

'**Wow wow wow... I loved** this book from the first page to the last.' Goodreads reviewer, □□□□□

'**A rollercoaster ride...** full of **twists, turns and red herrings.** Just when you have cracked the case along comes a twist to send you in the opposite direction.' *Ginger Book Geek*

Sales Points

- EVIL GAMES is the second in the internationally bestselling Detective Kim Stone series. It has sold over half a million copies.
- The Kim Stone series has sold 5.7 million copies across all formats.
- The series has been translated into 31 languages and regularly hits bestseller lists across Europe. The French edition of **SILENT SCREAM** was shortlisted in the translated fiction category for the Pocket "New Voices of Thriller" Award (*Prix Nouvelles Voix du Polar*) in 2021, and in 2020, **DEAD SOULS** won the prestigious Prize Selection Bancarella in Italy.
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Lost Girls

A fast-paced, gripping thriller novel

Angela Marsons

Keynote

An utterly addictive thriller from the No.1 bestseller Angela Marsons.

Description

Two girls go missing. Only one will return.

The parents who offer the highest amount will see their daughter again. The losing parents will not. Make no mistake. One child will die.

When nine-year-old best friends Charlie and Amy disappear, two families are plunged into a living nightmare. A text message confirms the unthinkable: that the girls are the victims of a terrifying kidnapping.

And when a second text message pits the two families against each other for the life of their children, the clock starts ticking for **Detective Kim Stone** and the squad.

Seemingly outwitted at every turn, Kim realises that these ruthless killers might be the deadliest she has ever faced. And that their chances of bringing the girls home alive are getting smaller by the hour...

Untangling a dark web of secrets from the families' past might hold the key to solving this case. But can Kim stay alive long enough to do so? Or will one of the girls pay the ultimate price?

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Praise for *Lost Girls*:

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'**Love it, love it, love it! If I could give this more than 5 stars I would.** Suffice to say this is a **5+++++++ star read** once again.' *Fiona's Book Reviews*, □□□□□

'**Oh my days...** I didn't know this series could get any better, but this is by far my favourite so far... **absolutely brilliant... Angela, I don't know how you do it, but by God please keep doing it.**' *I Love Reading*, □□□□□

'**Brilliant... gripping and addictive** reading, **hard to put down** ... a rollercoaster ride with plenty of twists and turns.' *Off the Shelf Book Reviews*

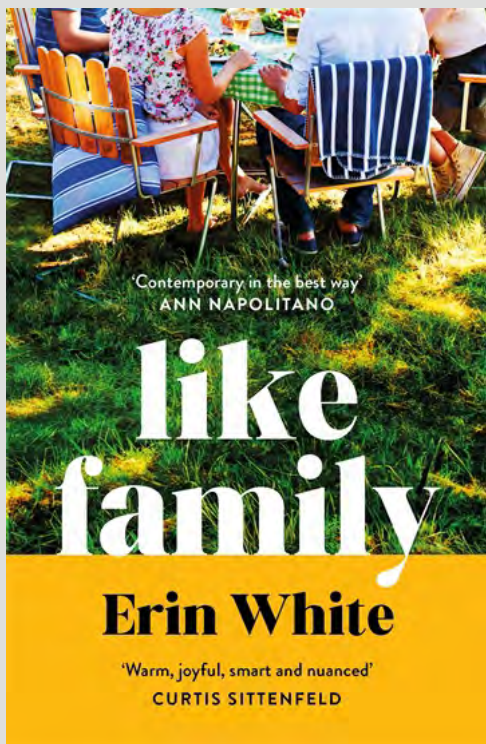
'**Kept me up late into the night as I just couldn't bear to put it down...** A tightly woven thriller, that **will keep the reader riveted to the last page.**' *The Book Review Café*

'**One of my favourite authors ever...** Compelling, **addictive... book you can't afford to miss.**' *Blabbering About Books*, □□□□□

'I don't give books a 5-star rating unless they have that **special** something that **blows me away**, but **Lost Girls was a very easy 5 stars for me.**' *Cal Turner's Book Reviews*, □□□□□

Sales Points

- LOST GIRLS is the third in the internationally bestselling Detective Kim Stone series. It has sold over 450,000 copies.
- The Kim Stone series has sold 5.7 million copies across all formats.
- The series has been translated into 31 languages and regularly hits bestseller lists across Europe. The French edition of **SILENT SCREAM** was shortlisted in the translated fiction category for the Pocket "New Voices of Thriller" Award (*Prix Nouvelles Voix du Polar*) in 2021, and in 2020, **DEAD SOULS** won the prestigious Prize Selection Bancarella in Italy.
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REVIEWS

'A subtle yet strong and warm read , perfect for fans of Anne Tyler or Elizabeth Strout' - Irish Times

'A moving story of betrayal, grief and forgiveness' - People

'It's brilliant on family dynamics and the characters feel pleasingly real. An enjoyable exploration of modern family life' - Daily Mail

'Tender, big-hearted and filled with characters who actually interact like real human beings - flaws and all' - The Crack

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Like Family

ERIN WHITE

KEYNOTE

A moving debut about secrets and chosen family for fans of Elizabeth Strout and Lucy Caldwell

SALES POINTS

- A powerful coming-of-middle-age novel that celebrates rural communities, chosen families and female friendship for fans of Oh, William! (77K TCM), Night Swimmers by Roisin Maguire (13K TCM) and Curtis Sittenfeld's Show Don't Tell (5K TCM)
- A literary debut from a widely published writer and essayist whose work has been featured in the New York Times, the Kenyon Review and several anthologies

DESCRIPTION

'Brilliant' DAILY MAIL

'Warm, joyful, smart and nuanced' CURTIS SITTENFELD, author of Romantic Comedy

'This novel is a gift' J. COURTNEY SULLIVAN, author of The Cliffs

What if everything you wanted is no longer enough?

Meeting for an autumnal swim in an idyllic pond, Caroline's friend Ruth tells her about a family secret that has recently been exposed. Caroline was looking forward to a celebration they'd been planning together with her sister-in-law, Tobi, but suddenly everything seems complicated.

Tensions that have long been buried are bubbling to the surface. These three couples, who have so much to enjoy in their lives - growing children, affectionate marriages, work they love - must confront the truths they've never shared. More than that, they will have to reconcile the lives they've built with the ones they desire: the old dreams both fulfilled and denied, and the new ones that appeared right when they thought they had all they'd ever hoped for.

Weaving an exquisite portrait of parenthood, partnership, love and loyalty, Erin White captures what it really means for friends to become Like Family.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Erin White is the author of the memoir Given Up for You. Her writing has been previously published in the New York Times, the Kenyon Review, and elsewhere. She lives in Minnesota with her wife and daughters.

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REVIEWS

'Brilliant and original' - Nigel Slater, *Observer*

'A book that pays serious attention to the pop-culture side of food... Most chapters have the heft of an academic dissertation, but delivered with the easy, narrative charm of a great magazine writer.' - *FT, Books of the Year*

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All Consuming: The instant Sunday Times bestseller

Why We Eat the Way We Eat Now
RUBY TANDOH

KEYNOTE

Ruby Tandoh's funny and forensic bestseller explores modern food culture - from TikTok to cookbooks

SALES POINTS

- Named an **Observer**, **FT** and **New York Times Book of the Year** and **praised by Nigel Slater, Nigella, Bee Wilson, Felicity Cloake, Claudia Roden, Fuchsia Dunlop, Rukmini Iyer, Angela Hui, Rebecca May Johnson, Pandora Sykes and Anna Jones, among others**
- **A great, pick-up-able summer read** for lovers of zeitgeisty literary fiction and non-fiction - readers of Vincenzo Latronico's *Perfection* as well as Ruby's writing in the *New Yorker* and *Vittles*

DESCRIPTION

AN OBSERVER, FINANCIAL TIMES, NEW YORK TIMES AND BLACKWELL'S BOOK OF THE YEAR 2025
Longlisted for the André Simon Food and Drink Book Award

- 'Entertaining, alarming, illuminating, alive' Nigella Lawson
- 'Laugh-out-loud funny' *Vogue*
- 'Delightful snark' *New York Times*

Why do we eat the way we eat now?

The food landscape is more expansive and dizzying by the day. Recipes, once passed from hand to hand, now flood newspaper supplements - if they aren't being engineered for social media virality. Our cravings are perfected in factories, hacked by supermarkets and influenced by Instagram reels.

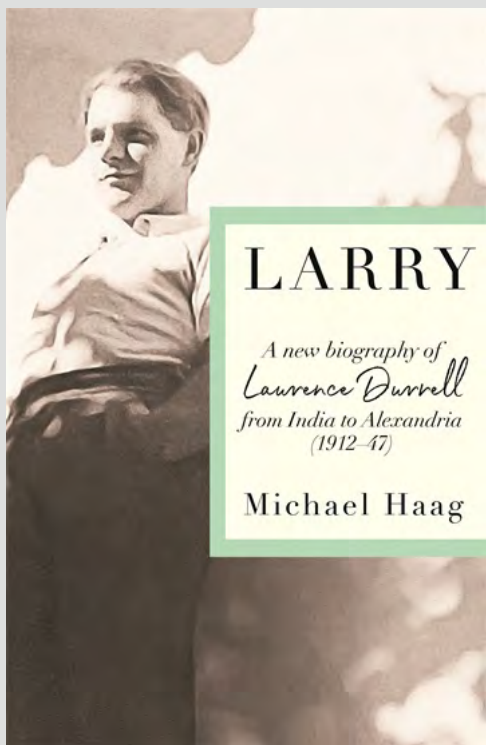
Exploring the evolution of the cookbook and light-speed growth of bubble tea, the advent of TikTok critics and absurdities of the perfect dinner party, Tandoh's laser-sharp investigation leaves her questioning: how much are our tastes, in fact, our own?

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Ruby Tandoh is a food writer who has written for the *New Yorker*, *Guardian*, *Vittles* and *Vice*. A finalist on the Great British Bake Off, she has published *Eat Up*, about the pleasures of eating, as well as three cookery books: *Crumb*, *Flavour* and *Cook As You Are*.

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Larry

A New Biography of Lawrence Durrell, 1912–1945

MICHAEL HAAG

KEYNOTE

A new biography of Lawrence Durrell by the world's foremost expert, covering his time in London, Paris, Corfu and Alexandria

SALES POINTS

- The biography covers Lawrence Durrell's life up to the end of the war: his Bohemian life in London and Paris, his years with the family on Corfu, and his years in Alexandria - the source of his greatest work, *The Alexandria Quartet*.
- Michael Haag's *Durrells of Corfu* was a bestseller and a Waterstones book of the month.
- Michael Haag died in 2020. This is his magnum opus, written over twenty years.

DESCRIPTION

'Highly readable and elegant' *Spectator*

'Wonderfully done' *Guardian*

Lawrence Durrell was unquestionably one of the most distinctive, original and compelling literary figures of his age. From his childhood in India and Burma to his bohemian youth in London and Paris, from his madcap scheme to move his family to Corfu to the formative war years spent in Alexandria - this masterful and richly detailed biography is essential reading to understand the man and the writer.

In *Larry*, Michael Haag, the world's foremost expert on the Durrells, brought together his unrivalled knowledge and first-hand meetings with the Durrell family and associates to offer the definitive account of the young Lawrence and the real-life settings and stories that inspired his acknowledged masterpiece, *The Alexandria Quartet*.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Michael Haag was a writer, historian and biographer. He wrote widely on the Egyptian, Classical and Medieval worlds; and on the Mediterranean and the Middle East. He was regarded as the world's foremost Durrells scholar. His books for Profile include *The Durrells of Corfu* and the bestselling Templars series.

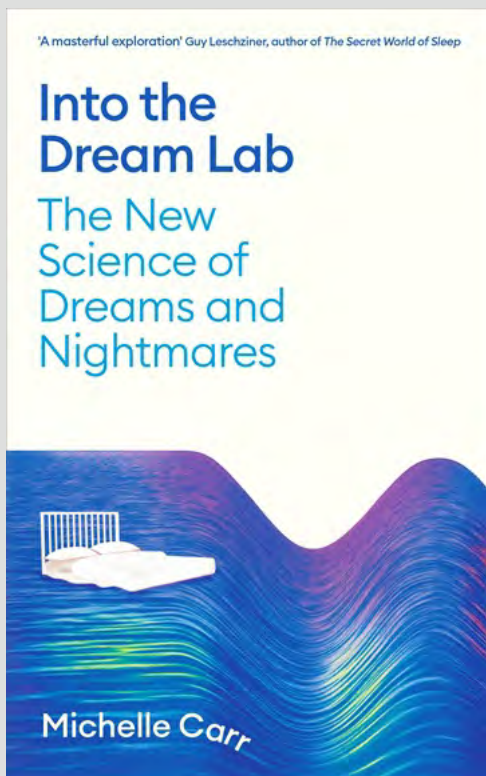
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'Fascinating' - *Daily Mail*

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Into the Dream Lab

The New Science of Dreams and Nightmares

MICHELLE CARR

KEYNOTE

A Dream Engineer's guide to the science of dreaming and nightmares, and the astonishing impact the dreaming brain has on your waking life

SALES POINTS

- **TOPICAL SUBJECT** that is rising in prominence: this covers the latest research on the science of dreaming and nightmares, and its relevance to waking life, health and our understanding of the brain
- **GUARANTEED FANS** in readers of Russell Foster's *LIFE TIME* (~30k TCM), James Nestor's *BREATH* (~160k TCM) and Matthew Walker's *WHY WE SLEEP* (~380k TCM)
- **EXPERT AUTHOR** is a Dream Engineer, and an expert in REM sleep, dreams, nightmare disorders and lucid dreaming. This explores the mechanisms of dreaming, the evolutionary development of dreaming as a neurological tool, and the practical implications dreams have on waking life and health

DESCRIPTION

'Fascinating' *DAILY MAIL*

'Well-written and makes the reader think' **RUSSELL FOSTER, *TLS***

'A real eye-opener' *INTELLIGENCE SQUARED*

A *DAILY MAIL* BEST HEALTH BOOK OF THE YEAR

'Unlock the mysteries of your sleeping mind with this journey into dreams'
DAVID EAGLEMAN

Everybody sleeps - but are we unlocking the full potential of our dreaming minds?

Sleep is essential. It allows our brains and bodies to repair, rejuvenate and perform critical functions. It also allows us to dream - and dreaming, it turns out, is just as essential. Shining a light onto the deepest corners of our minds, sleep scientist Michelle Carr uncovers the hidden links between dreaming and wellbeing. She reveals how to problem solve in your sleep, why micro-dreaming is essential for creativity and what nightmares are *really* telling us - along with how to master them.

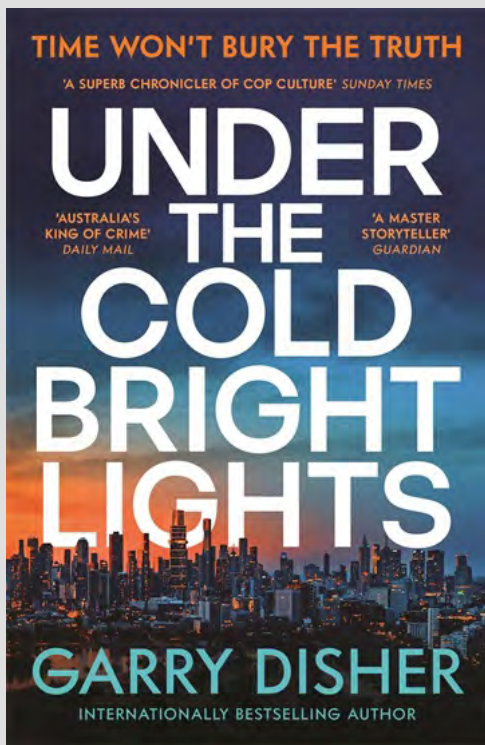
Drawing back the covers on how the nocturnal brain works, this is the essential guide to revolutionise both your sleeping and waking health.

'An accessible and persuasive primer on the incredible and long-overlooked power of nightmares and dreams' **ALICE ROBB**

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AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Dr Michelle Carr is the director of the Dream Engineering Laboratory in the Centre



REVIEWS

'Crime fiction king Garry Disher is a literary machine... Bring on the next case' - *Herald Sun*

'There are many twists to a tale that opens with one of those closely observed vignettes of outer suburban life that Disher does so well... It's a riveting opening scene, setting in motion just one of the cases with which the amiable Auhl will deal in the most cathartic of ways' - *Age*

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Under the Cold Bright Lights

GARRY DISHER

KEYNOTE

A retired sergeant returns to head up Melbourne's Cold Case Unit in this blistering standalone novel from Australia's king of crime

SALES POINTS

- From the Ned Kelly Lifetime Achievement Award winner and CWA Steel Dagger shortlisted author, whose sales have reached over 80,000 copies in the UK alone. *Under the Cold Bright Lights* was published to acclaim in Australia and the US, and will now be available for the first time in the UK
- The crime writer that other crime writers read. Fans of Disher include Ian Rankin, Ann Cleeves, Chris Hammer and Hayley Scrivenor

DESCRIPTION

'Australia's king of crime' *DAILY MAIL*

'A superb chronicler of cop culture' *SUNDAY TIMES*

'A writer at the top of his game' *THE TIMES*

TIME WON'T BURY THE TRUTH

Sergeant Alan Auhl has come out of retirement. Once a shining light in Victoria's homicide squad, he now runs the Cold Case Unit, casting an experienced eye over unsolved murders and missing persons. The young detectives think he's washed up, but this doesn't faze Auhl. He does things his own way, and his way delivers.

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AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Garry Disher has published sixty titles across multiple genres and is best known as Australia's King of Crime. He has won the Deutscher Krimi Preis four times and the Ned Kelly Award three times. In 2018 he received the Ned Kelly Lifetime Achievement Award.

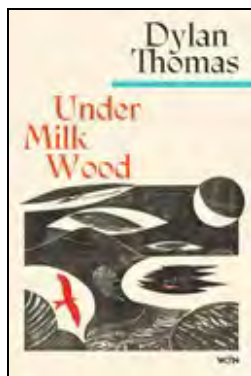
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Under Milk Wood The beloved Welsh modern classic

Dylan Thomas

Keynote

The definitive edition of Dylan Thomas's beloved masterpiece, first published in 1954 and never since out of print

Description

'It is spring, moonless night in the small town, starless and bible-black, the cobbledstreets silent and the hunched, courters'-and-rabbits' wood limping invisible down to the sloeback, slow, black, crowblack, fishingboat-bobbing sea...'

Under Milk Wood is Dylan Thomas's best-known and best-loved work. Completed in 1953 at the very end of his life, this 'play for voices' tells the story of the seaside village of Llareggub over one spring day. We meet curious characters such as Captain Cat, who dreams of his drowned seafellows, and Nogood Boyo, who dreams of nothing at all. Lyrical, funny and moving, *Under Milk Wood* is a rich modern pastoral, a tapestry of dreams and reality which has captured the imaginations of generations of readers.

This definitive edition of a modern classic includes notes, selected criticism and a chronology of Thomas's life and times alongside an authoritative introduction from Walford Davies.

**'We are not wholly bad or good
Who live our lives under Milk Wood...'**

Sales Points

- **THE DEFINITIVE EDITION OF A MASTERPIECE:** *Under Milk Wood* is widely regarded as one of the most important works of twentieth-century literature and has been translated into at least thirty languages. This definitive edition carefully preserves the integrity of the text and includes original line drawings by Thomas himself
- **PERENNIAL INTEREST:** Dylan Thomas has long been one of the Anglosphere's most beloved literary figures and each generation brings more readers to his work, whether it's through his famous admirers (Bob Dylan; John Cale; Tom Waits) or the regular events, exhibitions and performances dedicated to his writing
- **GIFTY PACKAGE:** Reissued alongside Thomas's classic collection *Portrait of the Artist as a Young Dog* and the new *Best of Dylan Thomas*, this edition of *Under Milk Wood* comes in a beautiful new package, making it the perfect literary gift

Reviews

- **'A tour de force of oral poetry which oozes word pictures and onomatopoeic musicality'** - *GUARDIAN*
- **'Roguish, prancing, with blazing characters and lines. The words dizzied me, their grandeur, their wit'** - *NEW YORKER*
- **'A dazzling combination of poetic fireworks and music-hall humor'** - *NEW YORK TIMES*
- **'A madcap, musical musing, rich with sea shanties, secret loves and lost souls'** - *CULTURE WHISPER*

Author Biography

Dylan Thomas was born in Swansea on 27 October 1914, the son of a senior English master. On leaving school he worked on the SOUTH WALES EVENING POST before embarking on his literary career in London. Not only a poet, he wrote short stories, film scripts, features and radio plays, the most famous being UNDER MILK WOOD. On 9 November 1953, shortly after his 39th birthday, he collapsed and died in New York City. He is buried in Laugharne, Carmarthenshire, which had become his main home since 1949. In 1982 a memorial stone to commemorate him was unveiled in 'Poets' Corner' in Westminster Abbey.
www.discoverdylanthomas.com

Market

Readers of literary classics looking for high-quality definitive editions; students encountering Thomas's work for the first time; readers looking for accessible entry points to literary figures; gifting audience, particularly in Wales



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The Magic Faraway Tree: Let's Have a Picnic!
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The Magic Faraway Tree: Time For a Nap A Lift-the-Flap Story inspired by The Magic Faraway Tree – now a major movie!

Enid Blyton (Illustrated By Becky Cameron)

Keynote

Discover the magic of the Faraway Tree this Easter. Now a major movie! An enchanting lift-the-flap book set in the world of Enid Blyton's *The Magic Faraway Tree!* Help Silky the fairy get ready for nap-time in this sweet lift-the-flap story.

Description

Discover the magic of the Faraway Tree this Easter. Now a major movie!

It's nearly time to have a nap in the Magic Faraway Tree. But Moonface isn't sleepy! Why could that be?

Silky the fairy and her friend, Moonface, can't get to sleep! So it's time to set off to the Land of Dreams and help them get the perfect sleepy things for nap-time; from a soft cuddly toy to a soothing tune. Lift the flaps to find everything and get back to the tree for nap-time.

An interactive story set in the enchanting world of Enid Blyton's *The Magic Faraway Tree*, that is perfect for reading together before sleep.

Don't miss:

- The Magic Faraway Tree: Goodnight, Fairy*
- The Magic Faraway Tree: Let's Have a Picnic!*
- The Magic Faraway Tree: Happy Birthday*
- The Magic Faraway Tree: Hide-and-Seek*
- The Magic Faraway Tree: Where's Teddy?*

Sales Points

- Part of a brand-new Enid Blyton preschool range, which brings the magic of these beloved classics to younger readers
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- With illustrations by Becky Cameron, who has worked on the *Enid Blyton Treasury of Bedtime Stories* and *Paddington and the Christmas Visitor*
- With multiple sturdy lift-the-flaps on every spread, to help develop fine motor skills
- A fun and adventurous story with gentle rhyme to encourage play and curiosity

Author Biography

Enid Blyton (Author)

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

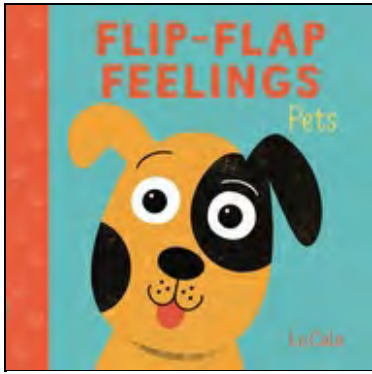
She wrote over 700 books and 2,000 short stories, including favourites such as *The Famous Five*, *The Secret Seven*, *The Magic Faraway Tree* and *Malory Towers*.

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

Becky Cameron (Illustrator)

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

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



Flip-Flap Feelings: Pets

Pat-a-Cake (Illustrated By Lo Cole)

Keynote

A fun, innovative new board book that introduces little ones to BIG feelings.

Description

Happy or sad.
Angry or calm.
How are *you* feeling today?

Meet a host of new pet friends! This chunky board book allows little ones to transform the emotion of each animal with the simple flip of a flap, and provides a fun way to talk about feelings together. Curious readers will love learning new words for their emotions and copying the animal's expressions!

With bright, bold artwork from Lo Cole (*Ten on a Twig, Doris*) and a bouncy rhyme to share aloud, this book is perfect for keeping little hands *and* little minds busy. Flip-flap fun for everyone!

Sales Points

- An engaging introduction to identifying and talking about feelings
- Cleverly designed, easily grabbable flaps allow little hands to transform the animal's expression and emotion on every spread
- Helps to develop hand-eye coordination and early motor skills
- Durable, chunky board book with rounded corners
- Featuring bold, graphic artwork by internationally acclaimed illustrator and printmaker, Lo Cole

Author Biography

Pat-a-Cake (Author)

Pat-a-Cake takes you and your child on a magical journey. From sharing the very first baby book to watching your little one read all by themselves. The adventure begins here . . .

Lo Cole (Illustrator)

Lo Cole is an international award winning British illustrator and author. His witty, bold and imaginative artwork has featured on posters, in books, magazines, newspapers. With children's books in his blood (Lo's parents created the children's TV character, Bod), Lo's recent books include *Ten On A Twig, We Want a Dog, Ten In A Hurry*, and *Doris*. Clients include; Rockerbird Books, Sourcebooks, Union Square, Walker Books, Egmont UK, Usborne, Busch, Oxford University Press, Waitrose, The Guardian, The Economist, TIME, The New Republic and . . . Tottenham Hotspur (for whom Lo is a life-long supporter).

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| Series | Flip Flap Feelings |
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Previous Titles

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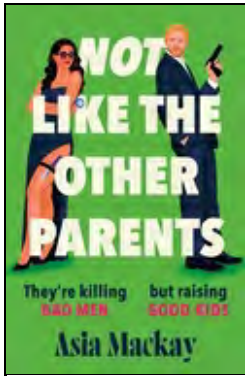
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Not Like the Other Parents

Don't miss the **BRAND NEW** darkly funny and relatable novel about everyone's favourite serial killers

Asia Mackay

Keynote

The highly anticipated second novel from Asia Mackay, in which everyone's favourite serial killer couple must figure out how to juggle homework, housework and homicide - all while being tracked through the suburbs by a deadly gang . . .

Description

Fox and Hazel's to-do list:

- Homework
- Housework
- Homicide

Fox and Hazel just want a normal life: two kids, a beautiful house, and the occasional date night murdering people who deserve it. Yet having it all is hard when you want to kill bad men but raise good kids.

With a school mum tyrant on Hazel's case - and a botched kill leaving Fox with serious performance anxiety - their midlife crisis is spiralling. Therapy isn't helping, and bullet journaling has taken on a whole new meaning.

But when the couple accidentally draw a deadly mobster to their doorstep, they must pull it together - and fast. Because surviving suburbia is no longer just a challenge.

Now it's a real fight for their family's lives.

And it turns out, having it all starts with staying alive...

PRaise for Fox and Hazel:

- 'Sexy, stylish, thrilling. A razor-sharp tale of marriage and murder.' **CHRIS WHITAKER**
- 'Your sassy, twisted must-read of 2025' **JANICE HALLETT**
- 'If you liked Mr & Mrs Smith, you'll love this' **CLARE MACKINTOSH**
- 'Darkly funny and clever' **KATY BRENT**
- 'Huge fun. You won't put it down.' **HARRIET TYCE**
- 'Sharp, whip smart and laugh out loud funny' **ANDREA MARA**
- 'Dark, daring and disturbingly funny' **LESLEY KARA**
- 'A dark, twisted riot' **ELLERY LLOYD**

Sales Points

- **SUPER LEAD THRILLER:** Following the success of *A Serial Killer's Guide to Marriage, Self-Help for Serial Killers* will be Headline's super lead thriller launch in 2026, accompanied by a no-holds-barred marketing campaign leaning into the incredible characters and Asia's incredible breadth of connections across books and media, with endorsements of her writing from the likes of Hugh Grant, Clare Mackintosh, Marian Keyes to Chris Whitaker and Sophie Ellis-Bextor.
- **WORLD RIGHTS INCLUDING FILM & TV:** TV rights for *A Serial Killer's Guide to Marriage* were acquired in a record-breaking deal by a major production company.
- **VOICE-LED, VIBRANT CAST OF CHARACTERS:** married couple Hazel and Fox are the perfect dinner hosts - so long as you don't look in the basement. They are the envy of everyone in their social group, all the mother's at nursery wonder how they manage to spend so much time with their delightful daughter. Maybe they're just that perfect - or maybe there's something lurking beneath the surface.

Reviews

- **'The most relatable book about serial killers that I have ever read.** It's as funny as it is familiar. **A perfect read for anyone that has ever tried to maintain a hobby while raising a toddler.'** - *Tasha Coryell*

Author Biography

Asia Mackay is a Chinese Scottish author and mother of four based in London. Asia studied Anthropology at Durham University and began her career in television. She moved to China, presented and produced lifestyle programmes in Shanghai before returning to London where she worked for the likes of Ewan McGregor and Charley Boorman, and subsequently completed a Faber Academy course. *A Serial Killer's Guide to Marriage* was shortlisted for The Radio 2 Book Club Award 2026 and her debut novel *Killing It* was the Runner Up in Richard and Judy's Search for a Bestseller competition and Runner Up/ Exceptionally Recognised for the Comedy Women In Print prize.



DreamWorks Gabby's Dollhouse: Colours

An early learning board book

Official Gabby's Dollhouse

Keynote

Step inside Gabby's Dollhouse and discover a world bursting with colour!
An official *DreamWorks Gabby's Dollhouse* early-learning board book.

Description

Step inside Gabby's Dollhouse and discover a world bursting with colour!

Gabby's Dollhouse: Colours is the purr-fect first board book for little fans who love Gabby, Pandy Paws and all their cat-tastic friends.

Designed especially for toddlers and preschoolers, this sturdy board book introduces early colour recognition through bright, engaging scenes from the Dollhouse. Each page explores a different colour with the help of favourite characters, playful objects and vibrant Dollhouse rooms that make learning feel like a magical adventure.

Little hands will love turning the chunky pages, spotting familiar faces and naming the colours they see. With simple text, bold artwork and an interactive feel, this official Gabby's Dollhouse book supports early learning, while keeping the fun and imagination of the hit series alive.

Whether you're building a first library, sharing a cosy story moment, or gifting a young Gabby fan, this delightful board book is a colourful celebration of creativity, curiosity and play.

Perfect for:

- * Toddlers and preschoolers learning their colours
- * Fans of Gabby's Dollhouse, aged 1 to 4
- * Early years learning at home
- * Gifts, stocking fillers and party supplies
- * Little hands who love sturdy, durable board books

Bring the magic of the Dollhouse home - one colour at a time!

Sales Points

- **A Leading UK Preschool Franchise**
Gabby's Dollhouse continues to be one of the most visible and best-loved preschool properties in the UK. The series maintains strong performance on Netflix UK, supported by a highly engaged fanbase and consistent franchise activity across toys, apparel, magazines and live experiences.
- **An officially licensed title**
Gabby's Dollhouse: Colours is an officially licensed board book introducing toddlers to early colour recognition through vibrant scenes from the Dollhouse. Featuring Gabby, Pandy Paws, MerCat, Cakey Cat and more, each spread highlights a different colour using bold artwork and simple, toddler-friendly text.
- **Evergreen early learning theme - Colours** - that performs strongly year-round in the UK preschool market.
- **Durable, giftable format** - chunky pages designed for durability, repeat engagement and strong visual appeal. Perfect for gifting and everyday learning.

Author Biography

DreamWorks' **Gabby's Dollhouse** is a top-rated Netflix preschool show full of imagination, kindness and friendship. Gabby uses her kitty ears to get tiny and join her friends on a-meow-zing adventures in the dollhouse.

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CBMC **A2K68**
Age **0-5 years**
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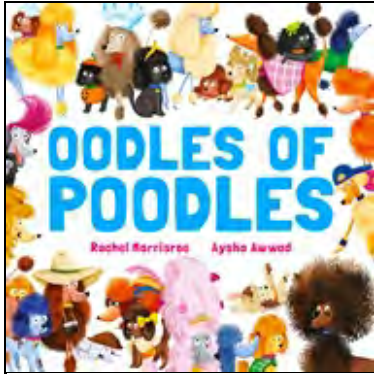


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| Series | A Million Chameleons |
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Oodles of Poodles

A riotous read-aloud story to make toddlers and children giggle, perfect for ages 2, 3, 4, 5

Rachel Morrisroe (Illustrated By Aysha Awwad)

Keynote

A laugh-out-loud poodle wordplay explosion from Rachel Morrisroe, the bestselling author of *How to Grow a Unicorn*, and Aysha Awwad.

Description

A laugh-out-loud wordplay explosion - perfect for reading aloud together!

Each city's full of oodles of fluffy, fancy poodles, but if you think you've met them all . . . think again!

From quite the COOLEST DUDE-LES to pesky PIRATE CREW-DLES and even yucky, mucky EEEEEEW-DLES, there's SO much more to these fluffy pets than meets the eye.

A zany, rhyming giggle-along from Rachel Morrisroe, the author of the bestselling *How to Grow a Unicorn*, with hilarious artwork by Aysha Awwad.

Sales Points

- The second in a funny, colourful series, featuring exciting trending animals.
- Fun to read-aloud with hilarious rhymes and lots to spot with Aysha Awwad's bold, bright artwork.
- Rachel Morrisroe is the author of the bestselling *How to Grow a Unicorn* series.
- The first book in the series, *A Million Chameleons*, won the James Reckitt Hull Children's Book Award 2026.

Author Biography

Rachel Morrisroe (Author)

Rachel Morrisroe is the award-winning, bestselling author of well-loved titles such as the *How to Grow Magic* series, *The Drama Llama*, *The Robin Who Stole Christmas*, and the *Superpets!* series. Rachel adores creating magical stories for children and is lucky enough to work with some of the brightest editorial and illustration talents in the business. Before becoming an author, Rachel's favourite job was working at Battersea, where she got to take dogs for walks on her lunch break! Now, Rachel lives in the north of England with her husband, her two sons and a very daft dachshund named Dottie.

Aysha Awwad (Illustrator)

Aysha Awwad is an illustrator and designer from Hertfordshire. She studied graphic design at University of the Arts London and now freelances from her studio with her trusty feline assistant, Olive, by her side. Her debut picture book *Where Has All The Cake Gone?* was shortlisted for the FCBG Children's Book Award 2023, while her second, *Whose Dog Is This?*, was shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize 2024.



Where's the K-Poop? A K-Pop-tastic Search and Find

Alex Hunter

Keynote

Get ready to sing your K-Pop-loving heart out while searching for some pesky poos on their epic world tour.

Description

Get ready to K-Pop and never stop! See if you can spot the superstar poos hidden in the scenes, from an epic concert to a dance studio.

Search for six special poos in every scene. From a microphone plop to a bubble tea doo-doo, these number twos will entertain the biggest K-Pop fans, with so much to spot and find!

Joining the ever poo-pular and humorous *Where's the Poo?* series, alongside *Where's the Monster Poo?*, *Where's the Beach Poo* and *Where's the Christmas Poo?* You're sure to find one for the poop loving person in your life.

Sales Points

- The latest in our search and find colouring IP series, to sit alongside *Where's the Poo?*, *Where's the Easter Poo?* and *Where's the Halloween Poo?*
- Colourful, detailed scenes with lots to spot on every page
- Includes humorous characters inspired by the soaring trend of K-Pop for fans of all ages

Author Biography

Alex Hunter has loved playing hide and seek since childhood; and was so good at the game that Alex often hid for hours, emerging triumphantly only after everyone else had given up. By the age of 8, Alex was travelling the world to attend international hide and seek competitions, eventually becoming World Champion! These days, Alex loves nothing more than creating books with the best hide and seek games for children to enjoy.

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| CBMC | B5L79 |
| Age | 5-7 years |
| Subject | Non-fiction |
| Type | Activity Book |
| Character | Non-character |
| Tie In | Non Tie-in |

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| Binding | Paperback |
| Format | 297x210 |
| Extent | 40 pages |
| Word Count | |
| Series | Where's the Poo...? |
| Exclusively for Sale | UK; World (ex USA, Can) |
| Not for Sale | Can |

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Gallagher Girls: I'd Tell You I Love You, but then I'd Have to Kill You

Book 1: the million copy selling series set at an elite boarding school for spies

Ally Carter

Keynote

The first book in the million copy selling Gallagher Girls series set at an elite boarding school for spies. Perfect for fans of *XO, Kitty*.

Description

The first book in the million copy selling Gallagher Girls series set at an elite boarding school for spies. Perfect for fans of *XO, Kitty*.

A lot of teenage girls feel invisible sometimes. I'm luckier than most because, at my school, that's considered cool.

Gallagher Academy might claim to be a school for geniuses, but it's really a school for spies. Cammie Morgan is fluent in fourteen languages and capable of killing a man in seven different ways (three of which involve a piece of uncooked spaghetti). But she's about to embark on her most dangerous mission yet: falling in love.

Sales Points

- Funny, high-concept and high-stakes commercial girl-led series with romance, aimed at aspirational middle-grade readers
- Reissued with covetable, collectible covers
- Available for the first time in audio
- 2026 is the 20th anniversary of *I'd Tell You I Love You, but then I'd Have to Kill You* (book 1 in the series)

Author Biography

Ally Carter is the bestselling author of novels that have epitomized action-adventure romance for more than a decade. From the spy-centric humor of *I'd Tell You I Love You, but then I'd Have to Kill You* to the globe-trotting glamour of *Heist Society*, *Embassy Row*, and *Not If I Save You First*, the name Ally Carter is synonymous with hilarious action and heart-pounding romance.

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| CBMC | D3N79 |
| Age | 9-11 years |
| Subject | Fiction |
| Type | Ordinary Printed Book Format |
| Character Tie In | Non-character Non Tie-in |
| Binding | Paperback |
| Format | B Format |
| Extent | 320 pages |
| Word Count | |
| Series | Gallagher Girls |
| Exclusively for Sale | Cw (ex ANZ); EU; Ire; UK |
| Not for Sale | ANZ; Can; USA |
| Book locale | Virginia, USA |
| Author born in | Oklahoma, USA |
| Author living in | Oklahoma, USA |

Publishing History

The Blonde Who Came In From the Cold
The Blonde Identity

Previous Titles

Heist Society series
Embassy Row series
Winterborne Home series
Not If I Save You First

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Gallagher Girls: Cross My Heart and Hope To Spy Book 2: the million copy selling series set at an elite boarding school for spies

Ally Carter

Keynote

The second book in the million copy selling Gallagher Girls series set at an elite boarding school for spies. Perfect for fans of *XO, Kitty*.

Description

The second book in the million copy selling Gallagher Girls series set at an elite boarding school for spies. Perfect for fans of *XO, Kitty*.

A Gallagher Girl's real grades don't come in pass or fail - they're measured in life or death.

This semester at Gallagher Academy, Cammie is through with lying and sneaking around. At least, outside of classes. But when she's blamed for a security breach, Cammie might have to do a little sneaking to clear her name, starting with the mysterious group of guests staying at the school - code name: Blackthorne.

Sales Points

- Funny, high-concept and high-stakes commercial girl-led series with romance, aimed at aspirational middle-grade readers
- Reissued with covetable, collectible covers
- Available for the first time in audio
- 2026 is the 20th anniversary of *I'd Tell You I Love You, but then I'd Have to Kill You* (book 1 in the series)

Author Biography

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

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| Binding Format | Paperback B Format |
| Extent | 272 pages |
| Word Count | |
| Series | Gallagher Girls |
| Exclusively for Sale | Cw (ex ANZ); EU; Ire; UK |
| Not for Sale | ANZ; Can; USA |

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| Book locale | Virginia, USA |
| Author born in | Oklahoma, USA |
| Author living in | Oklahoma, USA |

Publishing History

The Blonde Who Came In From the Cold
The Blonde Identity

Previous Titles

Heist Society series
Embassy Row series
Winterborne Home series
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| Binding Format | Paperback B Format |
| Extent | 320 pages |
| Word Count | |
| Series | Gallagher Girls |
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Publishing History

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The Blonde Identity

Previous Titles

Heist Society series
Embassy Row series
Winterborne Home series
Not If I Save You First

Gallagher Girls: Don't Judge a Girl by Her Cover Book 3: the million copy selling series set at an elite boarding school for spies

Ally Carter

Keynote

The third book in the million copy selling Gallagher Girls series set at an elite boarding school for spies. Perfect for fans of *XO, Kitty*.

Description

The third book in the million copy selling Gallagher Girls series set at an elite boarding school for spies. Perfect for fans of *XO, Kitty*.

Here's the thing about covert operations: they never, ever let you stop to put on comfortable shoes.

A spy-in-training at Gallagher Academy, Cammie Morgan has a cover for every occasion. But when she's forced to blow hers to save her best friend from being kidnapped, Cammie and her friends are determined to hunt down the sinister organisation threatening to tear their secret sisterhood apart. Because this time it's personal.

Sales Points

- Funny, high-concept and high-stakes commercial girl-led series with romance, aimed at aspirational middle-grade readers
- Reissued with covetable, collectible covers
- Available for the first time in audio
- 2026 is the 20th anniversary of *I'd Tell You I Love You, but then I'd Have to Kill You* (book 1 in the series)

Author Biography

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| CBMC | D3N79 |
| Age | 9-11 years |
| Subject | Fiction |
| Type | Ordinary Printed Book Format |
| Character Tie In | Non-character Non Tie-in |
| Binding Format | Paperback B Format |
| Extent | 320 pages |
| Word Count | |
| Series | Gallagher Girls |
| Exclusively for Sale | Cw (ex ANZ); EU; Ire; UK |
| Not for Sale | ANZ; Can; USA |
| Book locale | Virginia, USA |
| Author born in | Oklahoma, USA |
| Author living in | Oklahoma, USA |

Publishing History

The Blonde Who Came In From the Cold
The Blonde Identity

Previous Titles

Heist Society series
Embassy Row series
Winterborne Home series
Not If I Save You First

Gallagher Girls: Only The Good Spy Young Book 4: the million copy selling series set at an elite boarding school for spies

Ally Carter

Keynote

The fourth book in the million copy selling Gallagher Girls series set at an elite boarding school for spies. Perfect for fans of *XO, Kitty*.

Description

The fourth book in the million copy selling Gallagher Girls series set at an elite boarding school for spies. Perfect for fans of *XO, Kitty*.

Most people believe me when I lie. But the boy in front of me was a trained operative.

At Gallagher Academy, Cammie Morgan has been fake kidnapped once, almost actually kidnapped twice, and targeted by one criminal organisation and two very cute boys. But when she discovers one of her most-trusted allies is a rogue double-agent, Cammie faces her most terrifying mission as she questions her trust in her classmates, her teachers, and even her own heart.

Sales Points

- Funny, high-concept and high-stakes commercial girl-led series with romance, aimed at aspirational middle-grade readers
- Reissued with covetable, collectible covers
- Available for the first time in audio
- 2026 is the 20th anniversary of *I'd Tell You I Love You, but then I'd Have to Kill You* (book 1 in the series)

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Gallagher Girls: Out of Sight, Out of Time Book 5: the million copy selling series set at an elite boarding school for spies

Ally Carter

Keynote

The fifth book in the million copy selling Gallagher Girls series set at an elite boarding school for spies. Perfect for fans of *XO, Kitty*.

Description

The fifth book in the million copy selling Gallagher Girls series set at an elite boarding school for spies. Perfect for fans of *XO, Kitty*.

You might think being the target of an international criminal organisation would make people stare at you. Well, try holding hands. With a boy.

The last thing Cammie Morgan remembers is leaving Gallagher Academy. When she wakes up in an alpine convent with no memory of the past four months, Cammie and her friends must travel across the world to piece together the clues she left behind in a race against time to uncover what she did last summer.

Sales Points

- Funny, high-concept and high-stakes commercial girl-led series with romance, aimed at aspirational middle-grade readers
- Reissued with covetable, collectible covers
- Available for the first time in audio
- 2026 is the 20th anniversary of *I'd Tell You I Love You, but then I'd Have to Kill You* (book 1 in the series)

Author Biography

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Gallagher Girls: United We Spy Book 6: the million copy selling series set at an elite boarding school for spies

Ally Carter

Keynote

The sixth and final book in the million copy selling Gallagher Girls series set at an elite boarding school for spies. Perfect for fans of *XO, Kitty*.

Description

The sixth and final book in the million copy selling Gallagher Girls series set at an elite boarding school for spies. Perfect for fans of *XO, Kitty*.

What is a Gallagher Girl? She's a genius, a scientist, a heroine, a spy . . . a Gallagher Girl is whatever she wants to be.

Cammie Morgan is about to take on her final and most dangerous mission at Gallagher Academy. Armed with the truth about why she's being hunted by an ancient criminal organisation, Carrie and her friends must track down its elusive members to save their sisterhood - and the world. But will they survive to see graduation?

Sales Points

- Funny, high-concept and high-stakes commercial girl-led series with romance, aimed at aspirational middle-grade readers
- Reissued with covetable, collectible covers
- Available for the first time in audio
- 2026 is the 20th anniversary of *I'd Tell You I Love You, but then I'd Have to Kill You* (book 1 in the series)

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Such a Witch
A bewitching romance with just a dash of murder
Sarah Henning

Keynote

Clueless meets *Wednesday* in this delightfully light, fast-paced read set in a magic boarding school - part fluffy romcom and part murder mystery, featuring a (literal) witchhunt.

Description

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Pretty, popular, and a total witch, Embry Woodcross is queen bee at Raven's Head School for the Magically Gifted. Entering senior year as head prefect, Embry is a celebrated fashionista and unrivalled solver of problems big, small, and unattractive. (She's quite generous with her handcrafted magical beauty products.)

When she meets Oakley Riddle, clueless transfer student and ultra-rare vampire, Embry's mission is clear: take the new girl under her wing and make sure she's not thrown to the (were)wolves. Coven mate Rye Knighton may scoff at Embry's aggressive benevolence, but Raven's Head students reward her with love and appreciation...

Until one good deed too many makes Embry the lead suspect in a murder investigation.

Suddenly, the same people who begged Embry for enchanted acne potions are convinced she's a cold-blooded killer. Apparently, everyone loves a witch until something bad happens, and then it's all pitchforks and anecdotal evidence. As everything she's ever done is used against her, Embry teams up with Rye to find the real murderer, clear her name, and maybe fall in love along the way.

Sales Points

- As a mash up of the contemporary *Wednesday* and the perennially popular *Clueless*, this will appeal to core YA readers as well as Millennials
- A light-hearted romance meets a magical murder mystery, making this book a unique and fun proposition
- Blend of genres - great for romance and murder mystery fans, as well as readers of accessible fantasy
- Light and fast-paced, ideal for summer reading
- With the 30th anniversary of *Clueless* in 2025 and the musical currently on stage, there's a renewed interest in the *Clueless/Emma* story, making this a perfect book for fans to turn to

Author Biography

Sarah Henning lives in Lawrence, Kansas, USA, and is the author of several books for young adult readers, most recently the rom-com, *Running Back to You*. Her witchy mystery, *The Lies We Conjure*, is a Kansas Notable Book selection for 2025. When not writing, she runs a lot, dotes on her two kids, and takes walks with her husband and fluffy corgi.

Publication date **Tuesday, July 28, 2026**
Price **£9.99 / ₹799**
Main Identifier **9781444986341**
Thema 1.6 **Children's / Teenage fiction: Magical realism / Magical fantasy (YFHD) Children's / Teenage general interest: Witches, wizards and magicians (YNXW) Interest age: from c 12 years (5AN)**

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

Binding **Paperback**
Format **B Format**
Extent **400 pages**
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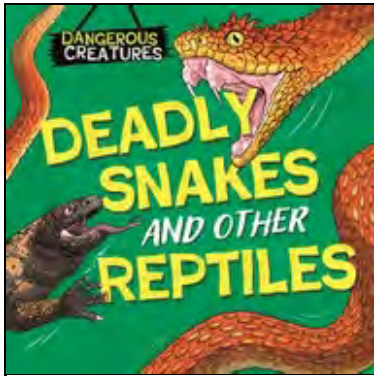
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Dangerous Creatures: Snakes and Other Reptiles

Lynn Huggins-Cooper (Illustrated By Scott Garrett)

Keynote

Explore the most dangerous snakes and reptiles on the planet, from rattlesnakes and anacondas to alligators, komodo dragons and more, and decide whether they deserve their fearsome reputations!

Description

These cold-blooded hunters have venomous fangs, super senses, crushing cuddles ... and a BIG appetite! Discover how snakes detect prey using infrared energy, which reptile has the strongest bite, and the difference between crocodiles and alligators.

Dangerous Creatures explores how predators are uniquely adapted to hunt and kill their prey. Find out their unique attributes, such as size, weight, super senses, where they live, and what's on the menu! Bite-sized text is perfect for children age 7+ as well as reluctant readers and is paired with engaging artwork and funny speech bubbles.

Collect all the dangerous creatures - *Big Cats, Sharks and Other Sea Creatures, Bugs and Spiders*.

Sales Points

- The perfect introduction to snakes and reptiles that has just the right amount of danger to inspire interest without being scary
- Bite-sized text balances perfectly with the engaging artwork. Funny speech bubbles help to keep the tone light and informative
- Each spread features one page with a labelled animal picking out anatomical features, such as sharp claws, strong legs, while the next page shows the animal in more context
- Contains key stage 2 information about habitats and animal adaptations that will reinforce school learning

Author Biography

Scott Garrett (Illustrator)

Scott Garrett, freelance illustrator living in the UK, has worked for clients nationally and internationally, including Vodafone, Nestle, VW, GQ, The Guardian, Los Angeles Times, Boston Globe, Business Week, Klutz Books, Faber & Faber and Random House.

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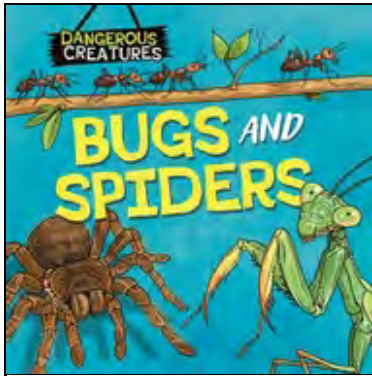
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Dangerous Creatures: Bugs and Spiders

Lynn Huggins-Cooper (Illustrated By Scott Garrett)

Keynote

Explore the most dangerous bugs and spiders on the planet, from black widow spiders to killer bees and assassin bugs, and decide whether they deserve their fearsome reputations!

Description

Creepy crawlies may look small and harmless, and lots of them are - but some have fearsome fangs, deadly disguises, strong jaws ... and a BIG appetite! Discover which spider species makes friends with frogs, which bug hides in flowers and what tactics these predators use to catch their prey.

Dangerous Creatures explores how predators are uniquely adapted to hunt and kill their prey. Find out their unique attributes, such as size, super senses, where they live, and what's on the menu! Bite-sized text is perfect for reluctant readers and is paired with engaging artwork and funny speech bubbles.

Collect all the dangerous creatures - *Big Cats, Sharks and Other Sea Creatures, Snakes and Other Reptiles*.

Sales Points

- The perfect introduction to creepy crawlies that has just the right amount of danger to inspire interest without being scary
- Each spread features one page with a labelled animal picking out anatomical features, such as sharp claws, strong legs, while the next page shows the animal in more context
- Bite-sized text balances perfectly with the engaging artwork. Funny speech bubbles help to keep the tone light and informative
- Contains key stage 2 information about habitats and animal adaptations that will reinforce school learning
- Endmatter features a glossary, index and further info page with book and website suggestions

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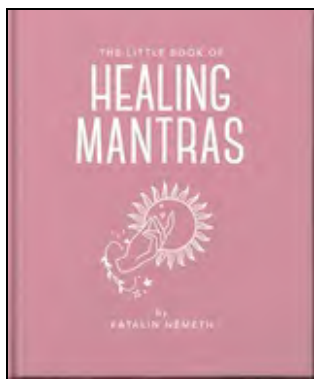
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The Little Book of Healing Mantras

OH

Keynote

Powerful mantras that promote physical, emotional and spiritual wellbeing and repair.

Description

Mantras are simple chants that hold immense transformative power. The practice of healing mantras has been passed across cultures over centuries, and this sacred tradition is still found to be highly effective for tackling modern day ailments and stresses.

Whether you are looking to improve your mental wellbeing by alleviating stress and enhancing focus, enhance emotional wellness by improving your resilience and fostering positive feelings, or even target physical healing to encourage recovery and immunity, you are sure to find a mantra that can help.

From traditional healing chants to modern mantras, this book is full of mantras to help you reap the gift of healing through affirming, and re-affirming, the strength of your mind and body. Packed full of inspiring mantras for you to repeat, this little book is your gateway to experiencing the life-changing healing properties this form of meditation has to offer.

Sample Content

Example mantras:

"My body is healthy and strong."

"I listen to my body deeply and intuitively."

Facts:

"Om" is a sacred mantra, often considered the primordial sound of the universe, and is used widely to promote healing.

Healing mantras originated in India, and are still often chanted in Sanscrit.

Sales Points

- A self-help tool that uses repetitive sounds to improve wellbeing, promote healing and induce therapeutic effects.
- Packed full of mantras for the reader to repeat, covering physical, mental and emotional health.
- Includes techniques and exercises to combine with your mantra meditation practice, such as yoga, mudras (hand gestures) and breathwork.
- A gift or self-purchase for anyone interested in spirituality and wellness, self-care and healing.
- Meditation itself has seen a huge resurgence: it is estimated that 275m people meditate worldwide.

Author Biography

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

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| Extent | 192 pages |
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| Exclusively for Sale | UK; World |
| Not for Sale | None |

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The Story of the Hermès Birkin

Laia Farran Graves

Keynote

Coveted, collectible, and emblematic of timeless luxury, the Hermès Birkin is more than a handbag - it's a cultural icon.

Description

Tracing its evolution from its origins in the 1980s to its status as the ultimate fashion statement, this book unveils the craftsmanship, exclusivity, and mystique behind the world's most sought-after handbag.

Featuring rare archival images, insider insights into Hermès ateliers, and a behind-the-scenes look at the meticulous handcrafting process, this is the definitive story of the Birkin. The book explores the inspirations behind different models, leathers, hardware options, and colourways - including ultra-rare editions, custom orders, celebrity collaborations, and the elusive 'Himalaya' Birkin.

Also featured are the artisans and creative minds who bring each bag to life, as well as the collectors, celebrities, and style icons who made the Birkin their signature - from Jane Birkin herself to Victoria Beckham and Kim Kardashian. With chapters on authentication, collecting, market value, and the Birkin's place in fashion, film, and pop culture, this is a must-have for connoisseurs and newcomers alike.

Sales Points

- A stunning gift book with a beautiful and tactile embossed cover, making it an essential collectable purchase or gift for fans of the brand.
- The very limited-edition handbag, created after a chance conversation between Jane Birkin and the Hermes CEO on a flight from Paris to London in 1984. The Birkin bag is the most sought-after bag in the world, with over 1.3 million monthly searches.
- Written by fashion expert and historian, Laia Farran Graves. She has contributed to many publications including *Vogue*, *In Style*, *Glamour*, *Marie Claire*, *The Sunday Times Style* and *Tatler*, amongst others.
- Beautifully illustrated, this is the concise history of the iconic bag, and includes detailed practical information on collecting and buying.
- Contains historical images and the behind-the-scenes photographs of the making of the bags.

Author Biography

A stylist and journalist specializing in fashion and beauty, **Laia Farran Graves** has also worked for publications such as *Vogue*, *InStyle*, *Glamour*, *Marie Claire* and the *Sunday Times Style* magazine. Laia lives in Brighton, England.

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| Series | The Story of Fashion |
| Exclusively for Sale | UK; World |
| Not for Sale | None |
| Author living in | Brighton |

Previous Titles

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The Little Book of Barcelona Style
The Story of the Hermès Scarf
The Story of Louis Vuitton Luggage
The Little Book of Prada
The Little Book of Gucci by Tom Ford
The Story of the Chanel Bag
The Little Book of Fendi

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The Story of the Chanel Suit

Caroline Young

Keynote

Elegant, revolutionary, and endlessly reinvented, the Chanel suit is one of the most recognisable and enduring symbols of twentieth and twenty-first century fashion.

Description

From its debut in the 1920s to its reinvention on the runway, this timeless two-piece has come to define the effortless sophistication of the Chanel woman.

This book traces the evolution of the Chanel suit through rare archival photography, detailed design analysis, and exclusive insights into the craftsmanship at the heart of the Chanel ateliers. It explores the suit's signature elements - the boxy jacket, braided trim, silk lining, and gilt buttons - and how each has been reinterpreted across decades by designers from Gabrielle 'Coco' Chanel to Karl Lagerfeld and Virginie Viard.

Highlighting standout collections, collaborations, and couture creations, the book also celebrates the women who have worn the suit as a statement of power and poise - from Jackie Kennedy to Princess Diana, Kristen Stewart to Beyoncé. With chapters on tailoring techniques, styling tips, and the suit's lasting influence on fashion, feminism, and film, this is the ultimate homage to one of the most iconic garments in history.

Sales Points

- A stunning gift book with a beautiful and tactile embossed cover, making it an essential collectable purchase or gift for fans of the luxury brand.
- Richly illustrated with archival photographs and iconic fashion imagery, this little book traces the evolution of this fashion icon through decades of cultural change, examining its role in shaping modern style and its lasting impact on celebrity and popular culture.
- The Chanel suit boasts a devoted celebrity following - including Olivia Rodrigo and Jennie of Blackpink - who have helped introduce this iconic fashion piece to a new generation, elevating its popularity among Gen Z fans.
- Offers the ability to 'buy in' to a covetable fashion item that is outside the price range of the average buyer.
- Chanel has 60M followers on Instagram.

Author Biography

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

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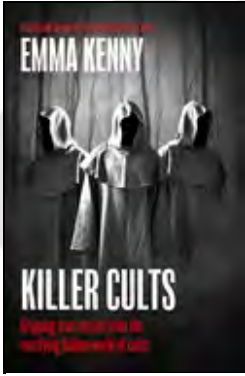
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Audrey in Paris
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Killer Cults

Gripping true stories from the terrifying hidden world of cults

Emma Kenny

Keynote

What makes ordinary people, living normal lives, abandon everything to join a cult? Emma Kenny - psychologist and true crime expert - delves into gripping true stories of cults, operating all around us.

Description

What makes ordinary people, living normal lives, abandon everything to join a cult? Emma Kenny - psychologist and true crime expert - delves into gripping true stories of cults, operating all around us.

In this exhilarating and terrifying new book, Emma Kenny explores the bewildering world of cults, looking into the magnetic pull of cult leaders who find, ensnare and indoctrinate followers, transforming them from normal people into devoted acolytes, and, in the most extreme cases, into killers.

From Jim Jones and The Peoples Temple to David Koresh and the Branch Davidians; Marshall Applewhite's Heaven's Gate to Order of the Solar Temple, Emma unpicks the interplay between power, manipulation and faith that makes cults work, and takes readers on a journey into the minds of these enigmatic cult leaders and the people who fall under their spell.

Discover the answers to the questions that haunt the fringes of society and the human psyche in this must-read for all true crime enthusiasts. **Are you immune to the call of the cult? There's only one way to find out...**

Sales Points

- Emma has passionate fans on her social media platforms (673k Facebook; 278k YouTube - up from 340k Facebook; 190k YouTube at the point of acquisition) on which she has established herself as a prominent figure in the true crime community.
- Emma is in the midst of a massive KILLER CULTS tour, regularly performing at 1000-1500 seater range venues around the UK, with another approx. 100+ dates lined up through to 2026. She has a passionate audience who she says are asking for a NEW book.
- Based in Tottington, Emma reaches a broad audience in the north of the country, as well as all over the UK with her tour.
- Based on the content and premise of her show, *Killer Cults* delves into infamous true crime cases as well as lesser known ones that fans won't already know about, making the book an ideal purchase for Emma's existing fans and true crime readers.
- This is a standalone follow-up to Emma's debut, *The Serial Killer Next Door*. As of December 2024, we've sold 12,000 copies across HB, E and A and 3.6k TCM of the hardback.

Author Biography

Emma Kenny is a highly experienced presenter and professional, with psychological and Counselling qualifications recognised by the British Association of Counselling and Psychotherapy and the British Psychological Society. Her warm engaging style and manner allows Emma to deliver content ranging from the light and entertaining to the opposite end of the spectrum whereupon she brings her sensitivity, professionalism and judgement to the fore.

Emma has written for Grazia and Cosmopolitan; Emma's weekly column and On the Couch therapy sessions are a popular feature in Closer magazine. She offers her expert opinion on many radio stations, including BBC Radio, Heart, Magic and more. She has worked with brands including Huggies, BT, Xbox, Amazon, WW, M&S and Disney just to name a few.

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Series **The Talisman Trilogy**
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The Talisman

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US **Scribner**

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Black House

Stephen King, Peter Straub

Keynote

The second stand-alone novel in the Jack Sawyer trilogy, from the No. 1 *New York Times* bestselling authors of *The Talisman*, "an intelligent . . . suspenseful page-turner" (*Wall Street Journal*) from "two master craftsmen, each at the top of his game" (*Washington Post*).

Description

A comfortable, solid, middle-American town - inhabited by a serial killer...

Children are disappearing, lost to the world, horrifically murdered.

The best clue the detectives have is a serial killer from a century ago.

And Jack Sawyer, retired from the LAPD at 35, plagued by visions of another world.

As a child, Jack visited the Territories, a menacing place of violence and madness, to save his dying mother. Now, if the latest child victim is to be saved, Jack must retrieve his lost childhood memories, and revisit the one place he hoped never to see again.

Sales Points

- A wonderful classic stand-alone novel introducing Jack Sawyer at the start of his adventures, which will conclude with *OTHER WORLDS THAN THESE* out in hardback October 2026.
- **FIRST TIME PUBLISHED BY HODDER:** Hodder is relaunching as a frontlist title with a new cover and campaign.
- **AN INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER:** Generations of new readers will discover this No. 1 international bestseller and the world of *The Talisman*.

Reviews

- 'Epic ... impossible to put down once you've started' - *Sunday Express*
- 'Reading it is like holding on to a live electric wire. You may want to put it down, but you find that you can't' - *Daily Mail*
- 'Fabulous! It's the best of the best. No argument! The ultimate in storytelling by two masters of the craft' - *Independent on Sunday*

Author Biography

Stephen King is the author of more than seventy books, all of them worldwide bestsellers. His recent work includes the *Sunday Times* No. 1 bestsellers *Never Flinch*, *Holly*, *Fairy Tale* and *The Dark Tower* series. Many King titles are also the basis for major motion pictures, TV series and streamed events, including *IT*, *The Long Walk* 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.

Peter Straub authored numerous bestselling novels, including *Ghost Story*, *A Dark Matter*, *Floating Dragon* and *Koko* - as well as *The Talisman* and *Black House* which he co-authored with Stephen King. He also published short fiction, poetry and a graphic novel. For the Library of America, he edited the volume *H.P. Lovecraft: Tales* and the anthology *American Fantastic Tales*.

A prolific Grand Master of Horror, he received numerous literary honours including the British Fantasy Award; the Bram Stoker Award; the World Fantasy Award, and the International Horror Guild Award. He was also the recipient of several lifetime achievement awards. He passed away in 2022.

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Extent **992 pages**
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Illustrations **N/A**
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Exclusively for Sale **Cw; Ire; UK**
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The Talisman

Stephen King, Peter Straub

Keynote

Jack Sawyer's adventures begin . . .

Description

The iconic, 'extraordinary' (*Washington Post*) collaboration between bestselling authors Stephen King and Peter Straub - an epic No. 1 bestselling fantasy thriller about a young boy's quest to save his mother's life.

Twelve-year-old Jack spends his days alone in a deserted coastal town, his father gone, his mother dying. Then he meets a stranger - and embarks on a terrifying journey. For Jack must find the Talisman, the only thing that can save his mother.

His quest takes him into the menacing Territories, a parallel world where violence, surprise and the titanic struggle between good and evil reach across a mythic landscape.

'Extraordinary . . . makes your hair stand on end' *Washington Post*

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Awards

Shortlisted for the 1985 World Fantasy Award

Reviews

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Sogumi the Fennec Fox: Cute Four-Seasons Colouring Book 1

Sogumi

Keynote

Step into the cute world of **Sogumi the fennec fox** and their cactus companion Soso, in this adorable Korean colouring book by Korean illustrator, Sogumi. Already 30k copies sold in Korea alone.

Description

Fill your day with warmth and happiness as you colour in the adventures of Sogumi, a salt desert fennec fox, and their cactus companion, Soso!

Step into the adorable everyday world of Sogumi and Soso in this heartwarming and cute Korean **colouring book**. Each page captures the magic of the changing seasons - from resting beneath spring's cherry blossom trees and playing music under summer stars, to dancing beneath the autumn Chuseok moon and snuggling up in big cosy blankets in winter.

Perfect for kids, teens and adults who love all things cute, this colouring book features:
- 64 warm full-colour reference pages to be inspired by!
- 64 easy-to-colour black and white line illustrations ready for you to colour and bring to life

Created by Korean illustrator Sogumi, the *Sogumi the Fennec Fox* series celebrates the small joys that can be found in everyday life. As you colour each page, you're invited to slow down and unwind, making your day feel cosy and full of happiness.

Sales Points

- Korean Cute Colouring! - this is a super cute and quirky colouring books for children, teens and adults that combines two popular trends, colouring and Korean culture
- Bestseller - the first title in the series has already sold 30k copies in Korea alone
- Cosy and cute with unique character! - Coco Wyo has been huge, but the market is now full of copycats. These books offer something cute/cosy, while having recognisable characters (Sogumi and Soso) and a unique world that consumers can fall in love with
- Colour - Each spread features stunning premium full-colour reference pages and corresponding mono pages to colour in
- Korean culture - authentic Korean motifs and text feature throughout, such as a ganggangsullae (traditional folk dance) and Chuseok (Korean mid-autumn harvest festival)

Author Biography

Sogumi is a character illustrator who draws the warm daily life of Sogumi, a fennec fox from the Salt Desert, and her little cactus friend, Soso. Since 2020, she has been actively sharing her illustrations through Samsung, Grafolio, and solo exhibitions. She hopes her illustrations, with their soft, coloured-pencil charm, brighten your day and remind you that even the tiniest moments in everyday life are precious.

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CBMC **E5L79**
Age **12+ years**
Subject **Non-fiction**
Type **Activity Book**
Character **Non-character**
Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Paperback**
Format **265x210**
Extent **144 pages**
Word Count
Series **Sogumi the Fennec Fox**

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Sogumi the Fennec Fox: Cute Magical-Adventure Colouring Book 2

Sogumi

Keynote

Step into the cute world of **Sogumi the fennec fox** and their cactus companion Soso, in this adorable Korean colouring book by Korean illustrator, Sogumi

Description

Fill your day with warmth and happiness colouring in the magical adventures of Sogumi the fennec fox, a salt desert fennec fox, and their cactus companion, Soso!

Join Sogumi the fennec fox and her cactus friend Soso as they embark on a series of magical adventures in this adorable **colouring book**. From travelling the world and exploring imaginary careers, to relaxing under the sea and riding a scooter through a donut-filled sky, every page bursts with magic and wonder.

Perfect for kids, teens and adults who love all things cute, this colouring book features:

- 64 warm full-colour reference pages to be inspired by!
- 64 easy-to-colour black and white line illustrations ready for you to colour and bring to life

Created by Korean illustrator, the *Sogumi the Fennec Fox* series celebrates the small joys that can be found in everyday life. As you colour each page, you're invited to slow down and unwind, making your day feel cosy and full of happiness.

Sales Points

- Korean Cute Colouring! - this is a super cute and quirky colouring books for children, teens and adults that combines two popular trends, colouring and Korean culture
- Bestselling series - a 3-part series with 2 books publishing in July 26 and another book publishing in Spring 27. The the first title in the series has already sold 30k copies in Korea and this title has sold 20k copies in Korea
- Cosy and cute - Coco Wyo has been huge, and the market is now full of copycats, but what's next for colouring? These books offer something cute, cosy but truly unique!
- Colour - Each spread features stunning full-colour reference pages and corresponding mono pages to colour in

Author Biography

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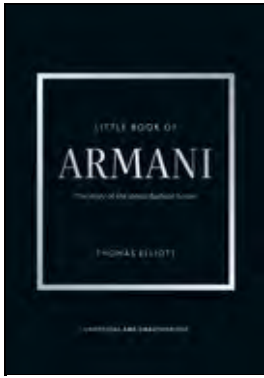
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Little Book of Armani The story of the iconic fashion house

Thomas Elliott

Keynote

The fully illustrated, pocket-sized guide to Armani.

Description

The name 'Armani' embodies the significance of being 'Made in Italy', and a quiet luxury that came to define American power dressing.

Beginning in 1970s Milan, Giorgio Armani pared back structure and refined proportion, creating tailoring that felt modern, fluid and quietly authoritative. On the catwalk, he showed a vision of luxury built on restraint, clarity and longevity. On screen, Richard Gere's Armani wardrobe in *American Gigolo* recast menswear as seductive rather than stiff, while on the Oscars red carpet, Diane Keaton in a stripped-back Armani look demonstrated the ultimate in understatement as glamour. *Little Book of Armani* tells the story of how - across fragrance, sportswear and evening wear - Armani proved that sophistication often speaks quietly.

With 100 images of runway, behind the scenes, on-screen, campaigns and street style, alongside expert text deep-diving every look, this is the ultimate guide to the world of Armani.

Sales Points

- **Over 5 million copies sold:** *Little Books of Fashion* have sold over 5m, in 23 languages
- **Armani in the spotlight:** Giorgio Armani died in September 2025, and his life and work is being celebrated globally.
- **50th anniversary in 2025:** July 2025 marked 50 years since the founding of Armani, attracting attention for the brand's archive.
- **Defining 1980s fashion:** the golden age of Armani will be the focus and all key looks and moments deep-dived.
- **Men's gifting:** addition to our core list of male-focused luxury brands (Ralph Lauren, Rolex, Patek Philippe)

Author Biography

Thomas Elliott is a design director and educator, currently serving as Design Director at Condé Nast. He has collaborated with brands including Chanel, Cartier, Chloé and Nike and contributed to publications such as VICE and Arena Homme Plus. A former Lecturer and Course Leader at the London College of Fashion, his academic practice explored brand strategy, cultural history, and subcultural movements. He lives in London, UK.

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| Thema 1.6 | Fashion and textile design (AKT) Individual designers or design groups (AKB) Fashion and style guides (WJF) |
| Binding | Hardback |
| Format | 180x125 |
| Extent | 160 pages |
| Word Count | 15000 words |
| Illustrations | 100 colour and b/w photographs and illustrations |
| Series | Little Books of Fashion |
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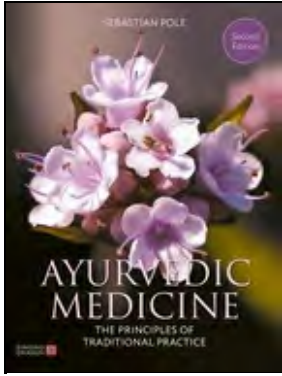
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| Binding | Hardback |
| Format | 246x189 (7.4x9.7") |
| Extent | 432 pages |
| Word Count | 180000 words |
| Illustrations | B&W |
| Exclusively for Sale | UK; World |
| Not for Sale | None |

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| Author living in | Somerset |
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Previous Titles

Sebastian Pole, *Ayurvedic Medicine: The Principles of Traditional Practice*, Sept 2012, 9781848191136, 8637 copies.

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Ayurvedic Medicine, 2nd Edition The Principles of Traditional Practice

Sebastian Pole

Keynote

The much-anticipated new edition of an essential and practical resource on the traditional medical system of Ayurveda.

Description

This highly anticipated second edition is an essential resource on the traditional medical system of Ayurveda, equipping students and practitioners with knowledge on how to incorporate herbal medicine into their lives and practice. Students and practitioners will benefit from a history of traditional Indian medicine, core principles, treatment strategies and traditional Ayurvedic pharmacology. Crucial updates to this second edition include extensive new content on herb safety and sustainability, plus clear sustainability alerts for specific herbs throughout the book. With extensively updated references, over 100 plant profiles, and 50 traditional formulas including characteristics, usage, combinations, safety, and dosage, this is an invaluable text for practitioners of Ayurvedic medicine.

Sales Points

- **Responds to a market demand:** In the 13 years since the first edition, there's been an increased need for information on sustainability in herbal medicine. This new edition includes a chapter on sustainability and sustainability alerts for herbs throughout the book.
- **Extensively updated references:** This new edition includes a thoroughly updated reference section, making it a great reference text for all practitioners.
- **Sales:** The book has continued to sell well for 13 years.
- **Large author profile:** Sebastian Pole is an internationally renowned herbal practitioner with an extensive network and author platform. He is the founder of Pukka tea and well-known for global efforts on sustainability.
- **Updated for safety:** Includes updated safety factors in line with current research.

Author Biography

Sebastian Pole Lic OHM, Ayur HC, MAPA, MRCHM, FURHP is the co-founder of Pukka Herbs. Alongside his herbal studies and clinical practice, he has travelled to hundreds of organic farms around the world, learning from pioneering sustainable herbal value chains, rigorous quality systems, and a regenerative approach to business. Sebastian launched Herbal Reality in 2020 to share traditional, scientific, and practical insights into herbal medicine to help inform a deeper understanding of the power of plants and clinical herbalism.

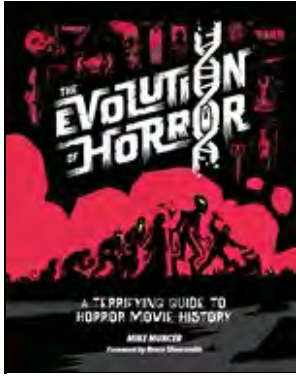
He now works with Earthsong Seeds, a medicinal seed project in the UK growing over 100 species to encourage the tradition of the self-empowered apothecary: growing and making health remedies yourself. Sebastian is also a trustee of Earthsong Foundation and serves on the Advisory Board of the American Herbal Pharmacopoeia. He is the author of *A Pukka Life* and *Cleanse, Nurture, Restore with Herbal Tea*. He lives in Somerset.

Market

Students and practitioners of Ayurveda, complementary health students and practitioners, and anyone with an interest in traditional medicine and herbal medicine.

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The Evolution of Horror A Terrifying Guide to Horror Movie History

Mike Muncer

Keynote

An expertly written and stylishly illustrated guide to the world of horror cinema, adapted from the acclaimed Evolution of Horror podcast.

Description

Discover the terrifying history of horror cinema in this wickedly entertaining guide.

Adapted from the acclaimed podcast, *The Evolution of Horror* takes a deep dive into the history of cinema's darkest genre. Covering everything from silent films to modern masterpieces, author Mike Muncer breaks down eight key horror subgenres - including vampires, slashers, zombies and ghost stories - to explore the tropes, motifs, historical context and psychology behind why certain stories scare us so much.

Each chapter includes reviews of a host of major movies and cult classics, from *Psycho* to *Sinners*, plus a guide to the hallmarks of the subgenre and the legendary filmmakers who have mastered it. Stylishly illustrated throughout with stills, posters and stunning artworks by artist Mike Lee-Graham, this is a must-read guide to the eclectic, enthralling and deliciously macabre world of horror.

Sales Points

- A stylishly illustrated book that takes the unique approach of breaking down horror movies by subgenre.
- The Evolution of Horror podcast has over 6 million total downloads (not including streams), an average of 100k downloads per month and 30k downloads per week.
- There are massive horror fanbases in all major markets, and the book has an international range of content, taking in films from Spain, Italy, Germany, Mexico, Japan, South Korea and more.
- Author Mike Muncer is one of the leading voices in horror history, frequently hosting sold-out screenings and events around the UK.
- Horror is one of the most enduring and popular film genres. It's enjoyed a resurgence in box office popularity over the last decade (13 horror movies have grossed over \$250m in the past 10 years), as well as retaining a strong cult appeal.

Author Biography

Mike Muncer is a London-based podcaster, presenter, journalist, producer, editor and creator and host of the award-winning *The Evolution of Horror* podcast. He produced *Film 2018 with Claudia Winkleman* for several years as well as the *Inside Cinema* video series, both for the BBC, and has also worked as for outlets such as the BFI, MTV and *Little White Lies*. In 2017 Mike launched *The Evolution of Horror* podcast, which began as a passion project and hobby, but slowly grew a life of its own to become the most successful UK horror cinema and 'Film History' podcast. By 2021 **EOH** became Mike's full time job and had expanded to include spin-off podcasts, live events, screening tours and videos.

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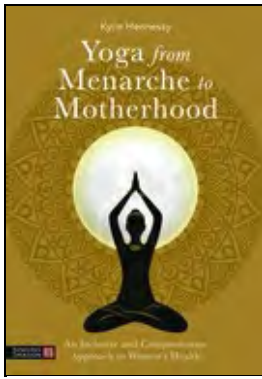
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| Format | 246x173 (6.8x9.7") |
| Extent | 288 pages |
| Word Count | 87954 words |
| Illustrations | B&W, 183 images |
| Exclusively for Sale | UK; World |
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Yoga from Menarche to Motherhood An Inclusive and Compassionate Approach to Women's Health

Kylie Hennessy

Keynote

A practical guide to teaching trauma-aware yoga for menstrual health, preconception care, pregnancy, the postnatal period, and early motherhood.

Description

'Women possess the wisdom to heal the wounds inflicted by patriarchal norms.'

Yet, traditional healthcare often dismisses women's voices and bodily knowledge. Kylie Hennessy weaves together modern body-mind science with ancient yogic philosophy and practices, to promote a trauma-informed, integrative approach to women's health.

With a blend of theory and practical applications, including class plans, for supporting women during the menstrual cycle, fertility, pregnancy, the postnatal period, and early motherhood, this book is ideal for yoga teachers and therapists alike. Hennessy's book enables you to guide women of all walks of life to find healing and empowerment, by cultivating a deeper understanding of their experiences and needs through yogic practice.

Sales Points

- Wide readership potential - yoga teachers, therapists and other professionals working in women's health
- Includes practical tools such as class plans
- Offers a unique perspective on yoga through its focus on women's life stages, and a vital supplement to traditional healthcare which often dismisses women's bodily knowledge
- The holistic, trauma-informed, and feminist approach means this book is targeting a client base of women of all walks of life and of diverse backgrounds

Reviews

- 'This book **inspires the physical and spiritual practise of Yoga through the journey of womanhood:** fertility, pregnancy and birth, until motherhood. I could not recommend it more highly.' - *Janet Balaskas, Founder of Active Birth, Pioneer of Yoga for Pregnancy*
- 'This book is so **necessary for everyone and especially women seeking increased health and wellbeing** through their yoga practice.'

Kylie calls out the western narrative that dangerously separates our mind, body and soul and the dominant western medical perspective that sees and treats women's bodies and their natural processes as unpredictable, inconvenient, messy and seeks instead to control them with medication, intervention and fear. The results of this perspective are the oppression of feminine knowledge, wisdom and power, and what that looks like is systemic injustices in women's health.

Kylie, with her decades of experience with yoga, as a practitioner and teacher, and her deep awareness of the life seasons and cycles of a woman's life, brings these two together in this wonderful book, **a guide for women from menarche through childbirth and mothering, including the all too often accompanying grief, loss and trauma.**

Whether you are a yogini or looking for a guide for how to approach your fertile years with the wisdom and practice of yoga, this book is for you!' - *Jane Hardwicke Collings Midwife, Teacher, Author, Founder of School of Shamanic Womancraft*

Author Biography

Kylie Hennessy is a senior yoga teacher, certified yoga therapist, counsellor, and trainer. She lives in Sydney, Australia.

Market

Yoga teachers; yoga therapists. Secondary market of doulas, midwives, birth educators, and health professionals working with a special interest in women's health.



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| Binding | Hardback |
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Previous Titles

9780857832351 *The Anti-Ageing Beauty Bible*
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How to Speak Scent**Discover the language of colognes, perfumes and fine fragrances****Josephine Fairley & Lorna McKay****Keynote**

Your essential guide to the world of fragrances, explore everything from what notes to look for to what scent to wear for special occasions, and what different scents say about you.

Description

Colognes, aftershaves, perfumes, fragrances, scents: there are so many ways to describe those little bottles of fine-smelling liquid that we dab, spray and mist on ourselves every day. But our love of fragrances runs so much deeper than just buying a scent because we like the way it smells. Scent is so evocative, yet so personal; the fragrances we choose tell a story, saying much about us and how we want to be perceived - from subtle, floral notes to warming oud, our obsession with scents runs deep.

How to Speak Scent will take you on a journey into this fascinating world, explaining how to tell top notes from mid notes, base notes, dry down and lingering dry down, how to choose a fragrance for special occasions, what different scents say about you, and breaking scents down into their distinct themes: woody, floral, amber, fresh. Featuring some of the most renowned and innovative perfumes from powerhouses such as Chanel, Guerlain, Jean Paul Gaultier, Tom Ford, and Issey Miyake, this book is an essential companion for anyone with a passion for fragrance.

Contents include:

- Scents of time
- Meet the families
- From strength to strength
- Do you speak scent?
- A world of ingredients
- From field to flacon: the making of a perfume
- What the noses know
- How the magic of scent works on the mind
- Your questions answered

Sales Points

- The world of fragrance is enjoying significant popularity - no longer do people buy one signature scent that they rely on day after day; instead, scents are bought and enjoyed almost as collectable items, with specific scents worn at different times of day and bottles proudly displayed rather than hidden in bathroom cabinets.
- Fragrance influencers such as Jeremy Fragrance (10m TikTok; 3.4m Instagram), Mona Kattan (1.1m TikTok) and Daniel Rene (1.4m TikTok; 239k Instagram) have flooded TikTok with reviews of high-end fragrances and affordable 'dupes' - cheaper alternatives to more expensive brands.
- Perfect for those who are drawn to classic names such as Chanel and Dior as well as newer brands with more modern scents such as Replica, Imaginary Authors and Zadig & Voltaire.
- Beautiful, gifty package that is eye-catching and packed full of essential information to help reader tell their story through fragrance.
- The global perfume market is projected to generate a revenue of US\$62.11 billion in 2025, and US\$80.16 billion by 2030. Perfume generated sales of £1.744 billion in 2021, and estimated to be £2 billion by 2029 in the UK. As of 2024, the US perfume market generated \$6.9 billion, and estimated to reach \$11.2 billion by 2032.

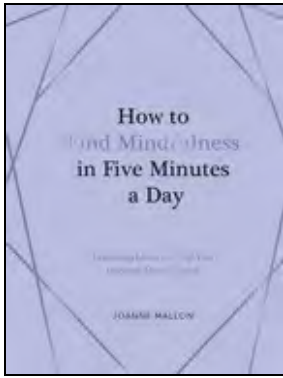
Author Biography

Josephine Fairley is a contributing editor to the *Mail on Sunday YOU Magazine*, where she writes on beauty and organic living. She is the co-author of the bestselling Beauty Bible series, which includes *The Ultimate Natural Beauty Bible*, *Beauty Bible Beauty Steals* and *The Anti-Ageing Beauty Bible*. She also writes perfume blog called The Scent Critic.

Lorna McKay worked as a Perfumery and Cosmetics Buyer at Harrods before setting up Liberty's beauty department and then joining QVC as their first beauty buyer nearly 20 years ago. She has also created fragrances for the Liz Earle range.

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How to Find Mindfulness in Five Minutes a Day Inspiring Ideas to Help You Become More Aware

Joanne Mallon

Description

Take a moment of mindfulness with this little book containing over 60 prompts and ideas to help you pause - each one designed to be completed in five minutes or less

Finding just five minutes a day to practise mindfulness can help you engage your curiosity, develop compassion and feel calm. So try to connect with yourself and the world around you by learning how to be present in the current moment through this beautiful book about mindfulness.

Whether you are learning to meditate or following a full visualization routine, allowing yourself to create small routines in a short space of time will help you rise above everyday stressors.

Tips include:

- How to incorporate mindfulness into your routine
- Simple mindfulness exercises to practice
- Visualizing what mindfulness looks like to you
- Learning how to cope with difficult or unhelpful thoughts

A bit of mindfulness can transform your outlook towards life. So, whether you take one tip a day or many, you're sure to learn how to reflect on different situations, be aware of your body, and understand your emotional triggers.

Sales Points

- This book contains over 60 ideas for things you can do - in five minutes or less - to help you become more mindful of yourself and your surroundings and bring calmness into your day.
- The "five minutes a day" timeframe makes this title appealing to anybody who has a busy lifestyle but wants to be able to improve their well-being.
- Other titles in this series include: *How to Find Confidence in Five Minutes a Day* (ISBN: 9781837993758); *How to Find Calm in Five Minutes a Day* (ISBN: 9781837990108); *How to De-Stress in Five Minutes a Day* (ISBN: 9781837997435).

Publication date **Thursday, July 09, 2026**
 Price **£8.99 / ₹799**
 Main Identifier **9781837999149**
 BIC 2.1 **Self-help & personal development (VS) Mind, Body, Spirit: thought & practice (VXA) Gift books (WZG) Popular psychology (VSP)**

Binding **Hardback**
 Format **158 x 120**
 Extent **128 pages**
 Word Count **8000 words**
 Illustrations **0**
 Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**
 Not for Sale **Can; USA**

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Pumpkin Spice and Everything Nice Warming Affirmations and Fall Activities to Celebrate the Cozy Season

Anna Barnes

Description

Snuggle up by the fire, sip on a hot chocolate and settle into a good book - it's officially pumpkin spice season

You know you're entering the cozy time of year when the leaves turn orange and crimson, there's a crisp chill in the air and the scent of wood smoke carries from the chimneys of candlelit houses. It's the season for pumpkin picking, woodland walks and baking cinnamon rolls. In other words, it's your pumpkin spice era.

Learn how to make the most of the cooler months with the help of this little book. Filled with comforting quotes, warming affirmations, wholesome recipes and inspiration for activities you could complete to celebrate the season, *Pumpkin Spice and Everything Nice* is your official guide to fall.

Nothing creates cozy vibes more than toasting marshmallows on a bonfire, visiting farmers' markets and making fall crafts. Set yourself up to enjoy the sweater weather and get into the fireside spirit with this charming companion.

Sales Points

- The global pumpkin spice products market is valued at \$1.1 billion. It's predicted to continue to rise until 2031 and beyond.
- Pumpkin spice has become synonymous with fall. This book taps into the huge surge in interest in cozy seasonal items and pumpkin-themed products that's witnessed every year in the run-up to Halloween in both the UK and the US, and will appeal to those who love the pumpkin-spice aesthetic.
- Similar Summersdale products include: *Let's Get Cozy* (ISBN: 9781837999637); *The Super-Cute Cosy Colouring Book* (ISBN: 9781837997237); *Girls' Night At Home* (ISBN: 9781837998111).

Publication date **Thursday, July 09, 2026**
 Price **£7.99 / ₹699**
 Main Identifier **9781837999415**
 BIC 2.1 **Gift books (WZG)
 Dictionaries of
 quotations (GBCQ)
 Hallowe'en (5HH)**

Binding **Hardback**
 Format **136 x 101**
 Extent **160 pages**
 Word Count **3500 words**
 Illustrations **Approx. 20
 repeating two-
 colour vectors
 throughout**

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

Not for Sale **Can; USA**

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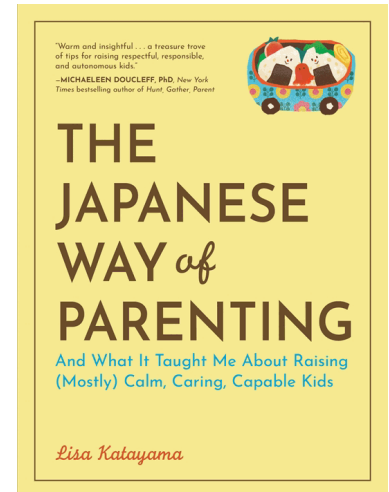


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The Japanese Way of Parenting

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| Subtitle | And What It Taught Me About Raising (Mostly) Calm, Caring, Capable Kids | | |
| By (author) | Katayama, Lisa | | |
| Format/Sub-format | Trade Paperback | Edition | |
| ISBN-13/ ISBN-10 | 9781523531851 / 1523531851 | Season | 2026 Winter |
| Announced 1st Print | 35,000 | 1st Serial / Bridges | Yes / No |
| Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty. | 6 x 8 / 208 / 20 | Age Range | |
| Team | Maisie Tivnan (Editor) / Amy Michelson (Marketer) / MacKenzie Collier (Publici | | |
| Other Formats | Advance Reading Copy - Galleys, Downloadable (Audio), Electronic Book, Hardcover Book | | |
| Selling Territory | World Exclusive | | |
| BISAC Category | (Fam) Family & Relationships / (FAM034000) Parenting / General, (Soc) Social Science / (SOC008020) Cultural & Ethnic Studies / Asian Studies, (Bio) Biography & Autobiography / (BIO002020) Asian & Asian American, (Soc) Social Science / (SOC026010) Sociology / Marriage & Family | | |
| Pricing | \$19.99 (US Price) / \$25.99 (CAN Price)/ Rs 1520 | | |
| Dates | | | |



Title Notes

Sales Handle: In this fascinating half-memoir, half-parenting guide, Lisa Katayama shares her quest to raise her American kids using Japanese parenting principles which combine unconditional love with unwavering rules

Book Description: While *Bringing Up Bébé* introduced readers to the French way of raising obedient children who are seen but not heard, and *Battle Hymn of the Tiger Mother* shared an iron-will parental approach to creating high-achieving kids, Lisa Katayama's *Parenting the Japanese Way* brings the principles of Japanese parenting to Americans, emphasizing unconditional love, community, and harmony with nature, to nurture children who are well-behaved, respectful, and creative. Japan is well known for its culture of respect, technological innovations, delicious food, peaceful vibes, and deep connection to nature. The source code to all of it is the way the Japanese view childhood--as a time of rigorous training for societal participation, where they learn from the start that are just one part of a larger whole. Katayama takes readers along with her as she travels back and forth from her motherland of Tokyo to the East Bay of California to expose her two American, mixed-race kids to the Japanese way of parenting. Readers will be inspired to take some of her insights--the importance of routine and ritual or the benefits of simplified spaces or the power in making everyday things cute -- and adopt them into their own parenting, no matter where they live.

Key Selling Points

- **Independent and well-behaved kids:** Japanese parenting values many things that are front of mind for today's American parents: raising kids who are independent but also community minded; well-behaved; and an appreciation for slower, more intentional living.
- **Cross-cultural parenting books sell:** From *Bringing Up Bebe* (393,873 copies sold) to the more recent *Hunt, Gather, Parent* (196,037copies sold), books that lift the veil on parenting across different cultures are catnip to readers who may not pick up a typical parenting book.
- **An insider/outsider look at Japanese culture:** Japan is known for inventing many of the world's favorite things: Pokémon, the Prius, forest bathing, wagyu beef. Now, for the first time ever, the world is introduced to the source code of it all: Japanese parenting. The author brings an insider/outside perspective as a part-Japanese mom raised in Tokyo and now raising her mixed-race kids in the Bay Area.

Author Info

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| Author Residence | Oakland, CA | Local Bookstore | Pegasus Books and East Bay Booksellers in Oakland, CA |
| About The Author | <p>Lisa Katayama is a working mom and writer who was born and raised in Tokyo. She is the author of two books, including <i>Urawaza: Secret Everyday Tips and Tricks from Japan</i>, and is a former tech and culture journalist for <i>Wired</i>, <i>Fast Company</i>, and <i>The New York Times Magazine</i>. Katayama is a US-Japan Leadership Program Fellow and an Asia Society Young Leader and was named one of Forbes Japan's Top Women to Watch in 2018. She currently serves as Chief Transformation Officer for the Japanese technology company Digital Garage and lives in Northern California with her family.</p> | | |
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Marketing & Publicity Plans

- National media targeting parenting, cultural, and news outlets
- National radio and podcast interviews
- Social Media Influencer & Ambassador Campaign
- Video
- Digital and social media advertising campaign
- Outreach and advertising to professional organizations for child development and parenting therapists/consultants

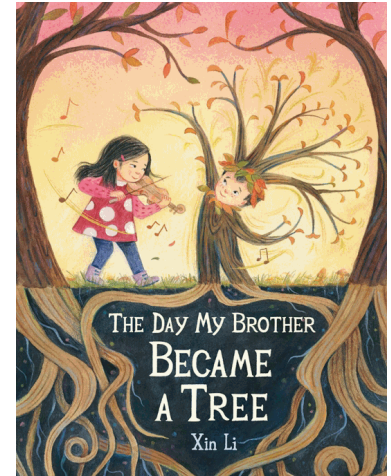
Author History

Comps

- 09/23** — *Raising a Kid Who Can* — McCarthy/Tedesco (9781523518593, PB, Workman Publishing, \$19.99, 288 pgs)
·19,455 (Gross), 17,291 (Net), (Source) — Reason:
- 03/22** — *Michaeleen Doucleff* — Hunt, Gather, Parent (9781982149680, PB, Avid Reader/S&S, \$22.00, 352 pgs)
·155,343 (Gross), Bookscan (Source) — Reason: similar conceit
- 08/16** — *Jessica Joelle Alexander and Iben Dissing Sandhal* — The Danish Way of Parenting/ (9780143111719, PB, Tarcher, \$18.00, 208 pgs)
·51,373 (Gross), Bookscan (Source) — Reason: similar conceit
- 09/14** — *Bringing Up Bebe* — Pamela Druckerman (9780143122968, PB, Penguin Books, \$19.00, 304 pgs)
·393,873 (Gross), Bookscan (Source) — Reason: similar conceit

The Day My Brother Became a Tree

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| By (author) | Li, Xin | | |
| Format/Sub-format | Hardcover Book / Picture Book | Edition | |
| ISBN-13/ ISBN-10 | 9780316492379 / 031649237X | Season | 2026 Summer |
| Announced 1st Print | | 1st Serial / Bridges | Yes / No |
| Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty. | 8-1/2 x 11 / 48 / 40 | Age Range | 6-8 |
| Team | Andrea Spooner (Editor) / Bill Grace (Marketer) / Sadie Trombetta (Publicist) | | |
| Other Formats | Advance Reading Copy - Galleys | | |
| Selling Territory | World Exclusive | | |
| BISAC Category | (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV039090) Social Themes / New Experience, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV013070) Family / Siblings, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV051000) Imagination & Play, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV039050) Social Themes / Emotions & Feelings, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV029050) Science & Nature / Trees & Forests | | |
| Pricing | \$18.99 (US Price) / \$24.99 (CAN Price)/ Rs 1570 | | |
| Dates | Order Cutoff Date: | | |



Title Notes

Sales Handle: A stunningly illustrated picture book about moving to a new home that celebrates compassion, imagination, nature, and sibling love, by the acclaimed creator of *I Lived Inside a Whale*.

Book Description: Wendy's brother, Owen, loves the trees in their garden. When their parents announce they will be moving and, of course, can't take the trees with them, Owen is devastated. In protest, Owen turns himself into a tree. The adults don't understand, but Wendy does. She cares for Owen just as he had cared for the garden trees.

Wendy also shares with Owen that trees communicate through their roots, even from a far distance. Maybe he will still be able to talk to his beloved trees after relocating. Owen feels seen and comforted. And when all his friends bring him seeds from their garden, he realizes he will be able to put down new roots in his new home.

Key Selling Points

- **TALENTED CREATOR ON THE RISE:** Xin's author-illustrator debut, *I Lived Inside a Whale*, was a Kids' Indie Next List Pick, a Barnes & Noble's Best Picture Book of 2024, and a Smithsonian Magazine Ten Best Children's Books of the Year Selection. Her follow-up title is just as special.
- **CREATIVE STORYTELLING:** This story deals with the anxiety of moving, empathy, and the love an older sibling shares with their younger sibling. While the topics here are familiar, Xin's approach is fanciful and unique and her dazzling art elevates the story to another level.
- **EDUCATOR NOTES:** First Person, Change, Friendship Stories, New Experiences, Community, Family, Imagination Stories, Siblings, Social-Emotional Learning, Picture Book

Author Info

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| Author Residence | Norway | Local Bookstore | |
| About The Author | Xin Li is an artist and writer. She was born and raised in China and currently lives in Norway with her husband and their daughter. After spending half of her life living in countries outside of her homeland, Xin chose to paint and write, as stories help her to make sense of a world that otherwise is often lost in translation. Xin is passionate about collecting books, watching clouds, and going for long train rides to cities she has never visited before. <i>I Lived Inside a Whale</i> was her U.S. author-illustrator debut. She invites you to visit her online at Lixin.no | | |
| Author Links | http://www.lixin.no/ (Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), @lixin.illustration (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest) | | |

Praise

"Li realistically conveys the grief that results from change while also offering a strong model for validating those emotions.... A sensitive and funny take on moving." — *Kirkus Reviews*

"A tender portrayal of a sibling relationship in the face of a difficult life change." — *School Library Journal*

Praise for *I Lived Inside a Whale*:

A Kids' Indie Next List Pick

A Barnes & Noble's Best Picture Book of 2024

A Smithsonian Magazine Ten Best Children's Books of the Year Selection

A Bank Street Best Children's Books of the Year

* "*I Lived Inside a Whale* has a moment for every reader, making it perfect for storytime or bedtime or any time in between."—*Bookpage*, starred review

"This is a gentle, relatable story about a child with sensory sensitivity finding a way to forge connections with others. A sweet, contemplative tale of friendship and discovering one's voice."—*Kirkus Reviews*

"The transportive power of books...and the story's supportive friendship theme makes this a doubly good pick for library and classroom sharing."—*Booklist*

"An inspiring, unexpected interior journey."—*Publishers Weekly*

Marketing & Publicity Plans

Prepublication Buzz Campaign

F&Gs

National Review and Feature Coverage

Digital Consumer Content

Social Media Outreach

LBYP.com Promotion

Librarian and Educator Outreach

School & Library Conference Promotion

Review Advertising

LB School Social Media

Author History

02/24 — *I Lived Inside a Whale (B&N Exclusive Edition)* — Xin Li (9780316575980, HC, Little Brown Bks Young Readers, \$18.99, 48 pgs)

·5,280 (Gross), 5,242 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason: author history

02/24 — *I Lived Inside a Whale* — Xin Li (9780316492270, HC, Little Brown Bks Young Readers, \$18.99, 48 pgs)

·25,253 (Gross), 23,617 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason: author history

Comps

07/24 — *Millie Fleur's Poison Garden* — Christy Mandin (9781339023274, HC, Scholastic Books, \$18.99, 0 pgs)

·36,930 (Net), Bookscan (Source) — Reason: pb about a girl's connection with her garden

03/23 — *The Seeking Tree* — Jodi Dee (9781736209325, HC, Jodi Dee Publishing, \$17.99, 0 pgs)

·9,956 (Net), Bookscan (Source) — Reason: pb about a tree as it grows throughout different time periods of human history

01/23 — *Nell Plants a Tree* — Anne Wynter (9780062865779, HC, Harpercollins Publishers, \$19.99, 0 pgs)

·8,152 (Net), Bookscan (Source) — Reason: pb about a child's relationship with a tree; Puballey: 2,827

01/23 — *Beneath* — Cori Doerrfeld (9780316312264, HC, Little Brown Bks Young Readers, \$18.99, 40 pgs)

·43,566 (Gross), 42,378 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason: layered emotional story incorporating connections to nature

It's Okay to Make Mistakes / No hay problema si te equivocas

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| By (author) | Parr, Todd | | |
| Format/Sub-format | Trade Paperback / Picture Book | Edition | Bilingual edition (ONIX) |
| ISBN-13/ ISBN-10 | 9780316602600 / 0316602604 | Season | 2026 Summer |
| Announced 1st Print | 8,000 | 1st Serial / Bridges | No / No |
| Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty. | 9-3/4 x 9-3/4 / 32 / 108 | Age Range | 4-6 |
| Team | Megan Tingley (Editor) / Stefanie Hoffman (Marketer) / Sadie Trombetta (Publi | | |
| Other Formats | Electronic Book, Hardcover Book, Trade Paperback | | |
| Selling Territory | World Exclusive | | |
| BISAC Category | (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV039140) Social Themes / Self-Esteem & Self-Reliance, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV015010) Health & Daily Living / Daily Activities, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV039220) Social Themes / Values & Virtues, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV039090) Social Themes / New Experience | | |
| Pricing | \$9.99 (US Price) / \$12.99 (CAN Price) / Rs 790 | | |
| Dates | Order Cutoff Date: 06/08/2026 | Pub Date: 07/14/2026 | |



Title Notes

Sales Handle: In the tradition of fan-favorite *It's Okay to Be Different* comes another beloved book by *New York Times* bestselling author Todd Parr, about embracing mistakes and the joy of happy accidents—now in a bilingual English-Spanish edition!

Book Description: In the tradition of fan-favorite *It's Okay to Be Different* comes this bilingual edition of another beloved book by *New York Times* bestselling author Todd Parr, about embracing mistakes and the joy of happy accidents.

With his colorful illustrations, playful humor, and inclusive storytelling, beloved author Todd Parr has long been a favorite among young readers and caregivers. His books promote an essential message of love and acceptance that is inspiring, empowering, and accessible.

It's okay to color outside the lines.

It's good to follow your own path.

It's okay to make mistakes!

It's Okay to Make Mistakes / No hay problema si te equivocas embraces life's happy accidents, the mistakes and mess-ups that can lead to self discovery. From coloring outside the lines and creating a unique piece of art to forgetting an umbrella but making a new friend, each page offers a kid-friendly spin on the importance of taking chances, trying new things, and embracing life, mistakes and all.

An English edition, *It's Okay to Make Mistakes*, is also available for purchase.

En la tradición del favorito de los fans *Está bien ser diferente*, llega esta edición bilingüe de otro más de los entrañables libros de Todd Parr, autor superventas del *New York Times*, que trata sobre aceptar los errores y la alegría de los accidentes positivos.

Con sus coloridas ilustraciones, su humor juguetón y sus narraciones inclusivas, el querido autor Todd Parr es desde hace tiempo un favorito de los pequeños lectores y sus cuidadores. Sus libros promueven un mensaje esencial de amor y aceptación que es inspirador, empoderador y fácil de comprender.

No hay problema si al colorear te sales de la raya.

Seguir tu propio camino es algo bueno.

¡No hay problema si te equivocas!

It's Okay to Make Mistakes / No hay problema si te equivocas acepta con alegría los accidentes positivos de la vida, los errores y las confusiones que pueden llevar al autodescubrimiento. Desde colorear fuera de la raya y crear una pieza de arte única hasta olvidar un paraguas y hacer un amigo, cada página ofrece una explicación sencilla para los niños y las niñas sobre la importancia de arriesgarse, probar cosas nuevas y apreciar la vida, con todo y los errores.

También está disponible la edición en inglés, *It's Okay to Make Mistakes*.

Key Selling Points

- **CONSISTENT TOP-SELLING TRACK:** Todd is a bestselling picture book franchise author, with his evergreen stories and kid-friendly art having netted more than 8 million copies worldwide across all formats, with over sixty titles in print! We've published seven bilingual English-Spanish editions of Todd's books since 2021, with a combined net of over 200K copies.
- **A TODD CLASSIC:** *It's Okay to Make Mistakes* has netted over 100K copies across formats. The book touches on evergreen life skills themes that Todd is known for, while also working for seasonal back-to-school timing. The message about learning and growing through mistakes, along with Todd's signature simple text and art, make this bilingual edition perfect for young language learners.
- **KEY DEMOGRAPHIC:** More than 41 million U.S. residents speak Spanish at home (13.5% of the population). Some other illuminating stats:
 - 1 in 4 public school students is Hispanic, according to the National Center for Education Statistics.
 - By 2050, the U.S. will have the most Spanish speakers in the world, according to the U.S. Census.
 - The Spanish-language book market grew 5.8% in unit sales in 2023, according to Circana Bookscan.

EDUCATOR NOTES: Repetitive Text, Perseverance, Self Reliance, Life Skills, Bilingual, Dual Language, Few Words per Page, Picture Book

Author Info

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| Author Residence | Palm Springs, CA | Local Bookstore | The Best Bookstore in Palm Springs (Palm Springs, CA) |
| About The Author | <p>Todd Parr has inspired, empowered, and entertained millions of children around the world with his bold images, unique sense of humor, and inclusive storytelling. He is the bestselling author of more than sixty books, including <i>The Goodbye Book</i>, <i>The Family Book</i>, <i>The I Love You Book</i>, and <i>It's Okay to be Different</i>. He lives in California.</p> <p>Todd Parr ha inspirado, empoderado y entretenido a millones de niños y niñas en todo el mundo con sus imágenes llamativas, su sentido del humor único y sus narraciones inclusivas. Es el autor de superventas de más de sesenta libros, entre ellos <i>The Goodbye Book</i>, <i>The Family Book</i>, <i>The I Love You Book</i> y <i>It's Okay to be Different</i>. Vive en California.</p> | | |
| Author Links | <p>http://toddparr.com (Author Website), @toddparr (Author Twitter), http://www.facebook.com/ToddParrBooks/ (Author Facebook), @toddparr (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)</p> | | |

Praise

"A colorful bilingual addition to the world of Parr, this title is a great choice for Spanish-language picture book collections. This book would be ideal for a bilingual storytime and a great addition to both public and school libraries." — *School Library Journal*

Praise for the English edition of *It's Okay to Make Mistakes*:

"This appealing picture book assures young readers that it's okay to try new things.... Sure to be just as popular as Parr's previous crowd-pleasers, especially *The Feelings Book* (2000) and *It's Okay to Be Different* (2001)." — *Booklist*

"The bright, bold digital illustrations are outlined in black and set against colorful backgrounds, making the book perfect for group sharing and discussing." — *School Library Journal*

Praise for Todd Parr:

"Parr preaches the message of self-acceptance and tolerance of others." — *School Library Journal*

"Parr focuses on acceptance and individuality and encourages readers to do the same." — *Publishers Weekly*

"It's rare that a children's author appeals to adults, but when it happens, it's usually magic: Dr. Seuss, Shel Silverstein.... Well, I've found another to add to the list: Todd Parr." — *Kansas City Star*

Author History

06/24 — *It's Okay to Be Different / Está bien ser diferente* — Todd Parr (9780316566599, PB, Little Brown Bks Young Readers, \$8.99, 32 pgs)

· 16,698 (Gross), 16,293 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason: Bilingual paperback by same author

12/23 — *I Love You Book / El libro de los te amo* — Todd Parr (9780316566544, PB, Little Brown Bks Young Readers, \$8.99, 32 pgs)

· 12,881 (Gross), 12,717 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason: Bilingual paperback by same author

03/21 — *Feelings Book / El libro de los sentimientos* — Todd Parr (9780316541831, PB, Little Brown Bks Young Readers, \$9.99, 32 pgs)

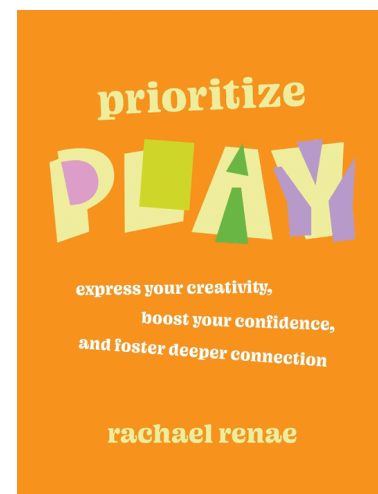
· 135,709 (Gross), 133,973 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason: Bilingual paperback by same author

07/14 — *It's Okay to Make Mistakes* — Todd Parr (9780316230537, HC, Little Brown Bks Young Readers, \$18.99, 32 pgs)

· 115,500 (Gross), 111,584 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason: English edition

Prioritize Play

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| Subtitle | Express Your Creativity, Boost Your Confidence, and Foster Deeper | | |
| By (author) | Connection Renaë, Rachael | | |
| Format/Sub-format | Trade Paperback | Edition | |
| ISBN-13/ ISBN-10 | 9781538779033 / 153877903X | Season | 2026 Summer |
| Announced 1st Print | 30,000 | 1st Serial / Bridges | Yes / No |
| Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty. | 6 x 8 / 256 / 48 | Age Range | |
| Team | Diana Ventimiglia (Editor) / Alana Spendley (Marketer) / Gina DiBenedetto (Pu | | |
| Other Formats | Advance Reading Copy - Galleys, Downloadable (Audio), Electronic Book | | |
| Selling Territory | World Exclusive | | |
| BISAC Category | (Sel) Self-Help / (SEL009000) Creativity, (Sel) Self-Help / (SEL021000) Motivational & Inspirational, (Psy) Psychology / (PSY034000) Creative Ability | | |
| Pricing | \$21.99 (US Price) / \$28.99 (CAN Price)/ Rs 1870 | | |
| Dates | Order Cutoff Date: 05/04/2026 | | Pub Date: 06/09/2026 |



Title Notes

Sales Handle: For fans of *Steal Like an Artist* and *Wreck This Journal*, co-host of the Chaotic Creatives podcast and play expert, Rachael Renaë makes the claim that prioritizing play is more important to our well-being and general fulfillment than productivity or career titles and should be prioritized as readily as getting groceries, paying your mortgage, or getting your work done, offering readers a path to discovering their own form of creative expression that fosters joy and connection.

Book Description: While the health benefits of tapping into our creativity are well known, most books in the market speak to readers as if they identify as being a “creative” or want to start a creative business. The truth is most people don’t identify as creative because they associate creativity with something “artful.” There’s a barrier to entry.

“But play is something that everyone can relate to,” says host of the Chaotic Creatives podcast and play expert, Rachael Renaë. Play offers a new way to think about what sparks joy and fulfillment in each of us and allows people to develop a creative life that’s individual to them. As Rachael argues, play and laughter are more important to our wellbeing than anything else, and should be prioritized as readily as getting groceries, paying your mortgage or getting your work done.

In *Prioritize Play*, Racheal leads the reader through fun and introspective exercises to help cultivate a sustained relationship to play so they can finally find fulfillment in their lives, cultivate the connected community they’ve always wanted, and rediscover who they really are.

Key Selling Points

- **FIRST TO MARKET.** While there are many books about fostering creativity in the market, there’s currently no books that are using “play” as a gateway to cultivating creative expression. Play offers a new avenue of entry into an ever-growing market of books focused on creativity as healing as evidenced by *Find Your Unicorn Space*, *Steal Like an Artist* and *The Art of Noticing*.
- **PASSES WALLET TEST.** Rachael has created a dedicated community who is eager for her lessons and insight. She’s taught various workshops with people like Lauren Hom, Sam Reece, Brittany Jespen, and has even doing a IG live with Therapy Jeff. She teaches her Prioritize Play workshop 4 times a year and caps participants to 20, regularly selling out and rolling people onto a waitlist. The cost of the workshop is \$444. She also hosts a Creative Visioning workshop 1-2 times a year priced at \$250 that is open to more people. Approximately 30-50 people attend each one.
- **ROBUST PLATFORM.** Rachael has a strong, dedicated fan base that continues to grow year-after-year. She has over 96K Instagram followers, 3,000 newsletter subscribers [as of 5/30/2025] with an 80% open rate and is the cohost of the Chaotic Creatives podcast with Lauren Hom who has a following of over 285K Instagram followers. Some of her close friends include major influencers in this space including Lauren Hom, Jeff Guenther (therapy jeff), Sam Reece of Shitty Craft Club, James Martin, Brittany Jespen and Psychic Outlaw to name a few. She has also worked with major art and creativity brands including Playground Detroit, Aura Aura, Shingo Brown, Maceo Paisley and Ana Henton. She has relationships with various studios in LA, Portland, Chicago, Detroit, NYC, and Austin where she can host Play Dates, book parties and more.

Author Info

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| Author Residence | Detroit, Michigan | Local Bookstore | |
| About The Author | <p>Rachael Renae is an artist, play enthusiast, and creativity hype gal based in Detroit, MI. She helps people prioritize play to overcome creative blocks, better connect with themselves and their people, and confidently live big, fulfilling lives. When she's not facilitating play workshops or co-hosting the Chaotic Creatives podcast, she's likely gabbing with pals over voice notes and making a papier-mâché project.</p> | | |
| Author Links | <p>http://rachaelrenae.com (Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), @rachaelrenae (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)</p> | | |

Marketing & Publicity Plans

- Podcast appearances on shows in the creativity, art and lifestyle space like **The Accidental Creative**, **Design Matters**, **The Great Women Artists** and more.
- Features, interviews and mentions in lifestyle, women's interest and wellness outlets like **Bustle**, **Popsugar**, **SheKnows**, **The Cut** and more.
- Social media and newsletter promotion via the author's engaged channels and VIP outreach to her influential contacts in the creativity and art space
- Pursue cross-promotion with author's Chaotic Creatives podcast and **Prioritize Play and Creative Visioning** workshop such as pre-order incentives, bulk buys, and more
- Pursue strategic partnerships with art and creativity brands and studios

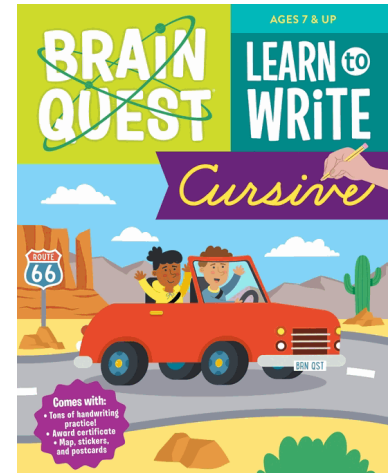
Author History

Comps

- 12/24** — **Imagination Muscle (Porchlight Book Company)** — Albert Read (9781454963509, HC, Union Square & Co., \$24.99, 320 pgs)
 ·2,048 (Gross), 2,048 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason: Similar audience and exploration of creativity
- 01/24** — **Rest** — Alex S Pang (9781541604834, PB, Basic Books, \$19.99, 352 pgs)
 ·4,566 (Gross), 3,147 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason:
- 09/21** — **Creative Acts For Curious People: How to Think, Create, and Lead In Unconventional Ways** — Sarah Stein Greenberg (978-1-9848-5816-0, PB, Ten Speed, \$28.00, 304 pgs)
 ·24,316 (Gross), Bookscan (Source) — Reason: similar audience and shares in content themes
- 02/19** — **Book of Delights** — Ross Gay (9781616207922, HC, Little, Brown and Company, \$28.00, 288 pgs)
 ·133,094 (Gross), 125,622 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason: Similar audience and exploration of themes

Brain Quest Learn to Write Cursive

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| Series / Series # | Brain Quest | | |
| By (author) | Workman Publishing | | |
| Format/Sub-format | Trade Paperback / Workbook | Edition | |
| ISBN-13/ ISBN-10 | 9781523532162 / 1523532165 | Season | 2026 Summer |
| Announced 1st Print | | 1st Serial / Bridges | No / No |
| Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty. | 8-1/2 x 10-7/8 / 80 / 40 | Age Range | 7 & up |
| Team | Alisha Zucker (Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist) | | |
| Other Formats | | | |
| Photos / Illustrations | Full-color illustrations throughout | | |
| Selling Territory | World Exclusive | | |
| BISAC Category | (Jnf) Juvenile Nonfiction / (JNF029030) Language Arts / Handwriting, (Jnf) Juvenile Nonfiction / (JNF001000) Activity Books / General | | |
| Pricing | \$10.99 (US Price) / \$13.99 (CAN Price)/ Rs 915 | | |
| Dates | Order Cutoff Date: | | |



Title Notes

Sales Handle: A new addition to the Brain Quest Learn to Write series, this workbook provides handwriting instruction and practice of cursive fundamentals -- now mandated in 25 states -- while also taking children on a fun (and educational!) road trip through the United States.

Book Description: In *Brain Quest Learn to Write: Cursive*, children ages 7 and up learn and perfect their cursive handwriting using a simple, modern style. This extension to the Brain Quest Learn to Write line supplements mandated cursive handwriting instruction in 25 U.S. states and provides an alternative cursive resource for the 25 states without cursive requirements. In addition to featuring extensive handwriting practice and beautiful 4-color illustrations, this workbook features a "U.S. Road Trip" theme to keep kids engaged. The workbook includes a map of the United States in the back, along with related stickers and postcards for kids to send to loved ones from their favorite sites they learn about along the way.

Key Selling Points

- **A natural extension of Learn to Write and Brain Quest**, focusing on the next key writing skill: cursive handwriting. Unlike the competition, Learn to Write Cursive has tons of practice space devoted to writing and reading cursive.
- **Cursive writing requirements are increasing across the United States.** Cursive handwriting is mandated by half of the states' departments of education—up from 14 in 2016—including California, Florida, and Texas, the most populous states in the country.
- **There is continual high demand for cursive handwriting workbooks.** The top cursive handwriting books combined sell approximately 200,000 copies each year. Parents in states with cursive requirements buy workbooks to supplement their children's school-based handwriting instruction, and parents in schools without mandates buy the workbooks to provide their children with the missing instruction.

Author Info

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| Author Residence | Local Bookstore |
| About The Author | Workman Publishing is a New York-based publisher of award-winning nonfiction for adults and children. |
| Author Links | (Author Website), (Author Twitter), (Author Facebook), (Author Instagram) (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest) |

Marketing & Publicity Plans

- Promotion on @WorkmanPubKids and @BrainQuest social channels
- Pre-pub outreach to social media influencers for promotion
- Social promotion from Brain Quest Ambassadors

- Advance mailing to key trade reviewers, educators and librarians
- Seasonal catalog mailing sent to over 1,000 media outlets, including tv, radio, print, online, and top educators and librarians
- Targeted outreach to parenting websites and educator outlets

Author History

09/23 — Brain Quest Learn to Write: Numbers — Workman Publishing (9781523516018, PB, Workman Kids, \$9.99, 80 pgs)
 ·22,676 (Gross), 13,710 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason:

09/23 — Brain Quest Learn to Write: Letters — Workman Publishing (9781523516001, PB, Workman Kids, \$9.99, 80 pgs)
 ·36,433 (Gross), 22,486 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason:

09/23 — Brain Quest Learn to Write: Pen Control, Tracing, Shapes, and More — Workman Publishing (9781523515998, PB, Workman Kids, \$9.99, 80 pgs)
 ·18,890 (Gross), 14,625 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason:

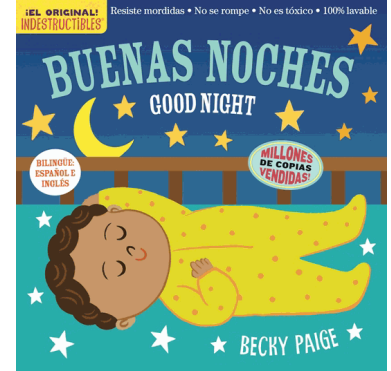
Comps

05/23 — Brain Quest Workbook: 2nd Grade Revised Edition — Workman Publishing/Onish (9781523517367, PB, Workman Kids, \$12.99, 320 pgs)
 ·334,376 (Gross), 317,135 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason: Same age, contains cursive section

06/19 — Cursive Handwriting Workbook For Kids: Cursive For Beginners Workbook. Cursive Letter Tracing Book. Cursive Writing Practice Book to Learn Writing — Independent (9781076038524, PB, Lightning Source Inc, \$7.99, 110 pgs)
 ·305,344 (Net), Bookscan (Source) — Reason: 2019 pub date, sold 57,000+ copies in 2023

05/17 — Get Ready for School: Cursive — Heather Stella (9780316502511, , Workman Kids, \$13.99, 128 pgs)
 ·25,979 (Gross), 18,056 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason: cursive handwriting workbook-- same topic

Indestructibles Buenas Noches/Good Night



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| By (author) | Workman Publishing | | |
| Format/Sub-format | Trade Paperback / Novelty/Gift/Activity | Edition | Spanish Edition |
| ISBN-13/ ISBN-10 | 9781523534364 / 1523534362 | Season | 2026 Summer |
| Announced 1st Print | | 1st Serial / Bridges | No / No |
| Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty. | 7 x 7 / 12 / 100 | Age Range | 0-3 |
| Team | Deanna Cook (Editor) / (Marketer) / (Publicist) | | |
| Other Formats | | | |
| Selling Territory | World Exclusive | | |
| BISAC Category | (Jnf) Juvenile Nonfiction / (JNF019000) Family / General (see also headings under Social Topics), (Jnf) Juvenile Nonfiction / (JNF020030) Language Study / Spanish, (Juv) Juvenile Fiction / (JUV010000) Bedtime & Dreams | | |
| Pricing | \$5.99 (US Price) / \$7.99 (CAN Price) / Rs 499 | | |
| Dates | Order Cutoff Date: 04/27/2026 | Pub Date: 06/02/2026 | |

Title Notes

Sales Handle: Wish Buenas Noches to baby with a Spanish-English bilingual book that's INDESTRUCTIBLE!

Book Description: Yawn, stretch... it's time to sleep. Let's read a story, put on our pajamas, and give hugs and kisses before lights out!

Original Indestructibles™ are still the best: chew proof, rip proof, drool proof, and 100% washable—books that babies can really sink their gums into! Beloved by babies and their parents, Indestructibles are built for the way babies “read” (i.e., with their hands and mouths) and are:

- Rip Proof—made of ultra-durable tight-woven material
- Waterproof—can be chewed on, drooled on, and washed!
- Emergent Literacy Tool—bright pictures and few or no words encourage dialogic reading
- Portable—lightweight books can go anywhere, perfect for the diaper bag and for travel
- Safe for Baby—meets ASTM safety standards

Key Selling Points

- **BESTSELLING SERIES!** With more than 12 million copies in print, Indestructibles is the best-selling brand that is trusted by parents around the world for its engaging content and its durable format! Made from Tyvek, Indestructibles are chewproof, rip proof, drool proof and 100% washable—books babies can really sink their gums into!
- **PERFECT BEDTIME ROUTINE BOOK** with cozy illustrations that showcase steps to help baby fall asleep, from reading a story to singing a lullaby to hugs and kisses good night!
- **NEW BILINGUAL TITLE** in Spanish and English that lulls baby to sleep.

Author Info

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| About The Author | Workman Publishing is a New York-based publisher of award-winning nonfiction for adults and children. |
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Marketing & Publicity Plans

- Promotion on @WorkmanPubKids social channels
- Pre-pub outreach to social media influencers for promotion
- Parenting bloggers, bilingual families
- Standard pre-pub media list pitching to parenting outlets
- Updated brand sell sheets
- National media & third-party partnership outreach

Author History

Family Movie Night Menus

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| Subtitle | Recipes & Films for Unforgettable Times Together | | |
| By (author)s | Maltin, Leonard ; Maltin, Jessie | | |
| Format/Sub-format | Hardcover Book / Paper over Board | Edition | |
| ISBN-13/ ISBN-10 | 9798894142371 / | Season | 2026 Winter |
| Announced 1st Print | 25,000 | 1st Serial / Bridges | Yes / No |
| Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty. | 7-3/8 x 9-1/8 / 208 / 20 | Age Range | |
| Team | Cindy Sipala (Editor) / Amy M. Cianfrone (Marketer) / Seta Zink (Publicist) | | |
| Other Formats | Electronic Book | | |
| Photos / Illustrations | 100 full-color and black-and-white photos throughout | | |
| Selling Territory | World All Languages | | |
| BISAC Category | (Ckb) Cooking / (CKB029000) Entertaining, (Per) Performing Arts / (PER004020) Film / Guides & Reviews, (Fam) Family & Relationships / (FAM002000) Activities, (Ckb) Cooking / (CKB120000) Cooking with Kids | | |
| Pricing | \$30.00 (US Price) / \$40.00 (CAN Price)/ Rs 2580 | | |
| Dates | Order Cutoff Date: | | |



Title Notes

Sales Handle: A family-themed follow-up to TCM's *Movie Night Menus* with a celebrity duo of authors already associated with movie entertainment, beloved film critic Leonard Maltin and his daughter and podcast cohort Jessie Maltin, this is the essential guide to family-friendly film recommendations paired with recipes to take family fun time to the next level.

Book Description: Father-daughter film critics and podcast hosts Leonard Maltin and Jessie Maltin team with Turner Classic Movies for the essential guide to 25 family-friendly classic films, paired with delicious and simple recipes to make movie-watching a next-level experience for all ages.

Family Movie Night Menus is the ultimate guide to family-friendly classic movie viewing. In this volume, bestselling author and critic Leonard Maltin teams with his daughter and *Maltin on Movies* podcast host Jessie Maltin to help introduce classics in the same way he did with his own family: by sharing the best of the best that's fit for the enjoyment of a range of ages from pre-school on up. And just like in the Maltin household, enhancing the experience with easy dishes—from snacks to entrees and desserts—inspired by the films to make together only adds to the experience.

Each entry includes a film profile filled with behind-the-scenes stories about the production, stars, and filmmakers; moments to watch (or watch out) for; recommended further viewing; and a recipe inspired by the film to make together before the credits roll and enjoy while watching. The movies span one silent entry (*The Kid*), through classic horror (*Bride of Frankenstein*), to legendary stories (*The Wizard of Oz*), musicals (*The Sound of Music*), can't miss adventures (*Star Wars*), and modern must-sees (*Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*).

Other featured titles include: *Meet Me in St. Louis* (1944), *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn* (1945), *Singin' in the Rain* (1952), *To Kill a Mockingbird* (1963), *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory* (1973), *E.T. the Extra Terrestrial* (1982), *Princess Bride* (1987), *Addams Family* (1991), *The Secret Garden* (1993), *Enchanted* (2007), and more!

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Key Selling Points

- **STAR AUTHORS LEONARD AND JESSIE MALTIN:** Leonard is one of the most well-known and beloved movie critics of all time (TCM fans love him, as he's a frequent on-air guest, appears at the film festival each year, and wrote a successful book in partnership with TCM in 2015), from appearing on TV for decades to give his reviews of current films to introducing movies for home video releases to penning movie guides that have sold hundreds of thousands of copies. The apple has not fallen far from the tree with daughter Jessie, who works with her father and cohosts the weekly podcast *Maltin on Movies* with him (podcast receives 10K downloads per episode)..

- **ONE-OF-A-KIND FAMILY MOVIE GUIDE FROM TCM:** This is *the* guide to share a love of classics with kids—from preschoolers on up as these are not “kids” movies but better described as family-friendly. See full list in TOC comments. Paired with recipe ideas to heighten the family-fun experience, there is no other movie guide like this.
- **TCM SUPPORT + ON-AIR TALENT RECIPE FOR SUCCESS:** As we’ve seen with other TCM books by top talent, promotion will be especially heavy on air, in person at network events, online, and in their newsletter. This book is an expansion of our TCM lifestyle titles (such as *Movie Night Menus* and *Noir Bar*), and fulfills a long-held wish of TCM to do a book on family-friendly classics. The Maltins are perfect authors for this book as it models the way classics were first shared in their own home. All around it’s a book dear to hearts at TCM and the author family, meaning special promotional efforts will be underway.

Author Info

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| Author Residence | Los Angeles, CA | Local Bookstore | Larry Edmund’s; The Last Bookstore |
| About The Author | <p>Leonard Maltin is one of the world’s most recognized and respected film critics and historians. He is also a husband, father, and grandfather who has a long association with family-friendly films, from hosting <i>Our Gang/The Little Rascals</i> on home video to introducing The Walt Disney Treasures collectible DVDs—and reprising that role for four years on Turner Classic Movies. He and his daughter Jessie work together on a variety of projects, including a weekly interview podcast, <i>Maltin on Movies</i>, which has run since 2016.</p> <p>Jessie Maltin was born into the entertainment industry and has been lucky enough to gain experience in many different functions, from wardrobe to publicity. She is proudest of the work she does with her dad, running leonardmaltin.com and sharing the microphone for interviews with everyone from Angela Lansbury to Al Pacino, Norman Lear to Amy Adams and Jordan Peele.</p> | | |
| Author Links | http://tcm.com (Author Website), @tcm (Author Twitter), http://www.facebook.com/tcmty (Author Facebook), @tcm (Author Instagram) http://www.youtube.com/tcm (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest) | | |

Marketing & Publicity Plans

- Cross Promotion with TCM including on-air support, social media features (2M+ combined followers), consumer newsletters, and more
- Social media promotion through author platforms including @leonardmaltin and @jessiemaltin on Instagram (combined 10K followers) and @runningpressbooks accounts during pre-order and on-sale windows
- National media campaign targeting print, online & broadcast media
- National review campaign specifically targeting cooking/food, film, entertainment, pop culture, parenting, women’s & men’s lifestyle press
- Select author events in Los Angeles
- Awards season 2026 outreach

Author History

- 11/17** — *Leonard Maltin’s Movie Guide* — Leonard Maltin (9780525536192, PB, Plume Books, \$30.00, 0 pgs)
 ·50,921 (Net), Bookscan (Source) — Reason:
- 09/15** — *Turner Classic Movies Presents Leonard Maltin’s Classic Movie Guide: from the Silent Era Through 1965* — Leonard Maltin (9780147516824, PB, Plume Books, \$32.00, 0 pgs)
 ·19,876 (Net), Bookscan (Source) — Reason:

Comps

- 04/25** — *Dark City Dames* — Eddie Muller (9780762488261, HC, Running Press, \$32.00, 288 pgs)
 ·20,460 (Gross), 20,177 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason: Another TCM title by similar stature author
- 01/24** — *50 Oscar Nights* — Dave Karger (9780762486328, HC, Running Press, \$30.00, 272 pgs)
 ·24,698 (Gross), 22,694 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason: CORNERSTONE COMP: Another TCM title by author of similar stature
- 05/23** — *Eddie Muller’s Noir Bar* — Eddie Muller (9780762480623, HC, Running Press, \$26.00, 248 pgs)
 ·27,617 (Gross), 26,933 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason: Another TCM title in similar category with lifestyle element and similar stature author
- 12/16** — *Movie Night Menus* — Tenaya Darlington (9780762460939, PB, Running Press, \$23.99, 248 pgs)
 ·23,741 (Gross), 22,708 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason: Essential editorial comp

But Have You Read the Book? Romance Edition

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| Subtitle | 40 Love Stories That Inspired Our Favorite Films | | |
| By (author) | Lopez, Kristen | | |
| Format/Sub-format | Hardcover Book / Paper over Board | Edition | |
| ISBN-13/ ISBN-10 | 9798894142296 / | Season | 2026 Summer |
| Announced 1st Print | 18,500 | 1st Serial / Bridges | No / No |
| Trim Size / Page Count / Carton Qty. | 5 x 7 / 216 / 14 | Age Range | |
| Team | Cindy Sipala (Editor) / Amy M. Cianfrone (Marketer) / Seta Zink (Publicist) | | |
| Other Formats | Downloadable (Audio), Electronic Book | | |
| Photos / Illustrations | 27 two-color illustrations | | |
| Selling Territory | World All Languages | | |
| BISAC Category | (Per) Performing Arts / (PER004020) Film / Guides & Reviews, (Lit) Literary Criticism / (LIT007000) Books & Reading, (Per) Performing Arts / (PER004030) Film / History & Criticism, (Lco) Literary Collections / (LCO010000) Essays, (Per) Performing Arts / (PER004090) Film / Genres / Comedy | | |
| Pricing | \$20.00 (US Price) / \$26.00 (CAN Price)/ Rs 1675 | | |
| Dates | Order Cutoff Date: 06/22/2026 | Pub Date: 07/28/2026 | |



Title Notes

Sales Handle: Following the success of *But Have You Read the Book?*, author Kristen Lopez's next entry in our TCM Library is an essential guide to 40 great romances and the cinema classics they inspired.

Book Description: For film buffs and literature lovers alike, Turner Classic Movies presents an essential guide to 40 cinema classics and the enduring love stories that served as their heart-tugging inspiration.

What makes a good love story endure? Is it the courtship? The obstacles along the way? The happy endings (or in some cases, heartbreaking conclusions)? Author Kristen Lopez explores 40 beloved screen adaptations of the book world's great romances to reveal what makes these works resonate across decades.

From *Pride and Prejudice* to *Twilight*, Lopez presents how these classics depict both budding fiery love and unrequited desire on the page and screen, and why each makes for a swoon-worthy adaptation. The essays also unpack how these works serve as time capsules of their respective eras, charting the evolution of gender roles and femininity in adaptations such *Breakfast at Tiffany's* and *Waiting to Exhale*. Hearts may break and lovers may part, but these works show how romance carries on forever.

Other featured adaptations include:

Anna Karenina · *Atonement* · *The Bishop's Wife* · *The Bridges of Madison County* · *Bridget Jones's Diary* · *Chocolat* · *Doctor Zhivago* · *The Ghost and Mrs. Muir* · *Jane Eyre* · *Laura* · *Like Water for Chocolate* · *Love Story* · *The Notebook* · *A Room With a View* · *The Sheik*

Key Selling Points

- **BOOK LOVERS AND FILM BUFFS UNITE:** The original *But Have You Read the Book?* showed the unique crossover appeal proved successful (17,500 in print), and with this book, we put the spotlight on one of today's most popular book genres: romance.
- **TCM'S PROMOTIONAL MIGHT:** The network will support the book on-air, online, in print, and at events, along with film programming tied to the book.
- **CHARMING, GIFTABLE PACKAGE:** With amusing illustrations and a small trim size, this book is a natural gift and perfectly timed for merchandising on Bookstore Romance Day (August 15, 2026).

Author Info

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| Author Residence | Los Angeles, CA | Local Bookstore | Larry Edmunds - Los Angeles, CA |
| About The Author | <p>Kristen Lopez is an author, entertainment journalist, and disability expert. She has worked as an entertainment journalist for over 15 years, with her articles appearing at <i>Variety</i>, MTV, TCM, and Roger Ebert. A California native, Kristen was raised in a small suburb near Sacramento and graduated with a Masters in English from California State University, Sacramento. She is the creator of the classic film podcast, <i>Ticklish Business</i>. Based in Los Angeles, she enjoys reading and finding Old Hollywood connections in her neighborhood in her free time. She is the author of <i>But Have You Read the Book?</i> and <i>Popcorn Disability</i>.</p> | | |
| Author Links | <p>http://www.tcm.com (Author Website), @tcm (Author Twitter), http://www.facebook.com/tcmty (Author Facebook), @tcm (Author Instagram) http://www.youtube.com/tcm (Author Youtube) (Author Pinterest)</p> | | |

Praise

"[E]ntertaining and energetic...plenty of fun moments." — *Publisher's Weekly*

Marketing & Publicity Plans

- National media campaign targeting print, online, & broadcast media
- National review campaign specifically targeting literary, romance, film, pop culture, entertainment, and women's lifestyle press
- Special outreach surrounding Bookstore Romance Day (August 15, 2026) and Valentine's Day (February 14)
- Select author events in Los Angeles
- Extensive marketing partnership with Turner Classic Movies including, featured title onTCM.com, TCM Film Festival promotion, TCM social media support (2M+ combined followers) and TCM feature in e-newsletter
- Holiday 2026, Valentine's Day 2027 gift guide outreach

Author History

03/23 — *But Have You Read the Book?* — Kristen Lopez (9780762480975, HC, Running Press, \$20.00, 240 pgs)
 ·12,929 (Gross), 12,085 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason: CORNERSTONE COMP - Previous book in series

Comps

09/23 — *No Crying in Baseball* — Erin Carlson (9780306830181, HC, Grand Central Publishing, \$29.00, 320 pgs)
 ·8,679 (Gross), 6,293 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason: Nonfiction film book for a similar audience.

03/22 — *Truly, Madly* — Stephen Galloway (9781538731970, HC, Grand Central Publishing, \$30.00, 416 pgs)
 ·18,324 (Gross), 15,642 (Net), HBG (Source) — Reason: Romance-related nonfiction film book

10/20 — *Ex Libris: 100+ Books to Read and Reread* — Michiko Kakutani (978-0-525-57497-2, HC, Clarkson N Potter, \$25.00, 0 pgs)
 ·23,000 (Net), Bookscan (Source) — Reason: Editorial comp

04/20 — *I Will Judge You By Your Bookshelf* — Grant Snider (978-1-4197-3711-4, HC, Abrams, \$16.99, 0 pgs)
 ·11,600 (Net), Bookscan (Source) — Reason: Editorial comp