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Clara and Christina 'like spending time with an old, and infinitely wiser, friend' JAN CARSON

Andrew Cuning

Keynote

Can we only know each other through the fictions that we tell about ourselves?

Description

'What a delight of a novel. *Clara and Christina* radiates with wisdom, intelligence and humanity. Andrew Cuning is a very fine writer' Wendy Erskine, author of *The Benefactors*

'An absolute delight, full of warmth and human surprise' Louise Nealon, author of *Snowflake*

'An exquisitely written novel . . . full of big ideas, quietly and carefully explored' Jan Carson, author of *The Firestarters*

Two women meet in an unassuming coffee shop in Belfast; they seem an unlikely pair. Clara is young, inquisitive, optimistic for what the meeting holds. Christina is older, in her seventies, still glamorous, still quick. She is working on her fifth novel but no one yet knows of its existence. Clara is there to interview Christina, for her own book, anticipating some major scoop on this reclusive novelist. She wants to unearth the truth behind the fiction. But Christina has a different lesson in store for Clara.

Over a few months, a relationship forms between these two women who live their lives in books. Clara, writing her first, embraces this opportunity to learn from a writer finishing her last. During this time, Clara, face to face with her hero, begins to question her own convictions ultimately asking herself: what if there is nothing *but* fiction?

Sales Points

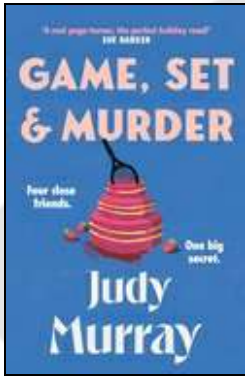
- **EARLY SUPPORT FROM PEERS:** Andrew already has an endorsement from Louise Nealon (author of *Snowflake*) who has said of *Clara and Christina*: 'an absolute delight, full of warmth and human surprise. Christina, in particular, is a revelation of a character who will stay with me for the rest of my life'
- **NORTHERN IRISH WRITING:** it feels like Northern Irish writers are having a bit of a moment and have seen remarkable success in recent years (Anna Burns, Louise Kennedy, Michael McGee, Wendy Erskine, Lucy Caldwell). I think there are many reasons for this but they are all writing in a contemporary way while maintaining the roots to home and their surroundings
- **VERSATILE WRITER:** Andrew is already halfway through book 2, a coming-of-age queer story of a young man in a religious group who is introduced to conversion therapy and the fallout for him as well as the rest of his friends. I like how versatile Andrew is in his writerly offerings and this feels very different to *Clara and Christina* (in a good way!)

Reviews

- 'An exquisitely written novel . . . full of big ideas, quietly and carefully explored. This is a book which reminded me how powerful conversation can be . . . it felt like spending time with an old, and infinitely wiser, friend' - *Jan Carson, author of The Firestarters*
- 'An absolute delight, full of warmth and human surprise. Christina, in particular, is a revelation of a character who will stay with me for the rest of my life' - *Louise Nealon, author of Snowflake*
- 'I read it all in one breathless sitting' - *Michelle Gallen, author of Big Girl, Small Town*
- 'An assured, accomplished debut - sharply-observed, full of warmth and intelligence. I adored it!' - *Gráinne O'Hare, author of Thirst Trap*

Author Biography

Andrew Cuning was born on the North coast of Ireland and now lives in North Belfast. He taught literature and theology at various universities, and now teaches English in an all-ability secondary school. *Clara and Christina* is his first novel.



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The Wild Card (2023)

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Game, Set & Murder

The deliciously gripping new cosy murder mystery you won't be able to put down!

Judy Murray

Keynote

A cosy murder mystery full of twists, turns (and tennis!) perfect for fans of **Rev Richard Coles**, **S. J. Bennett** and **Shirley Ballas**, from household name and tennis coach, **Judy Murray**.

Description

'Come on, it's a tennis story! How can I not love it?!' **BILLIE JEAN KING** on *The Wild Card*

'A fabulous summer read!' **ANTON DU BEKE**

**Four close friends.
One big secret.**

On a hot midsummer day in the Surrey countryside, close friends Kristin, Vee, Bibi and Hailey are celebrating their Ladies' Team victory at the exclusive Royal Oaks Tennis Club.

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Off the court, it's clear that each of the four women has been keeping a dark secret, but surely no one would wish Jeremy dead? Or perhaps revenge truly is a cake best served cold...

A delicious new murder mystery from household name Judy Murray, perfect for fans of Richard Osman, Shirley Ballas and Reverend Richard Coles.

Praise for Judy Murray:

'Utterly thrilling and joyful. I couldn't put it down!' **ANTON DU BEKE**

'Enthralling and captivating. Absolutely loved it!' **CAROL KIRKWOOD**

'A stunning debut, this is the perfect summer read' **SANTA MONTEFIORE**

'A pacey page-turner' **THE TIMES**

'Full of twists and turns. We loved it!' **HEAT**

'Fizzing with excitement and high stakes' **JO THOMAS**

'Absolutely fantastic' **CHRIS EVANS**

'A brilliant read' **BELLA**

'A high-stakes novel set in the world she knows best' **The i**

Sales Points

- **EXCITING HOUSEHOLD NAME:** As mother to tennis champions Jamie and Andy Murray, Scottish National Coach, coach of the Fed Cup, and general all-round can-do woman of wonder, Judy Murray is the ultimate role model for believing in yourself and reaching out to ambition. Murray was appointed Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) in the 2017 Birthday Honours for services to tennis, women in sport, and charity. She has appeared on Celebrity Masterchef and Strictly Come Dancing (2014). In 2022 & 2023 she also performed at Edinburgh Fringe.
- **FAB MARKETING & PUBLICITY POTENTIAL!** Judy already has a HUGE existing fanbase, with 300K followers on Twitter & 40K followers on Instagram. She is *hugely* well connected - we should expect quotes from a huge range of celebs. She was also a Costa Book Award Judge in 2021.
- **(OLDER) FEMALE EMPOWERMENT!** Judy does a ton of work in making the world of tennis accessible to women from all backgrounds. She has founded Miss-Hits, Tennis on the Road and She Rallies, which all focus on empowering children and young adults, particularly girls, through tennis. In addition she is a patron of Tennis for Free and The Elena Baltacha Programme. Her debut novel will focus on similar themes of dream-chasing, accessibility and breaking down barriers.
- **COSY CRIME FEVER:** *Game, Set & Murder* marks an exciting shift in editorial direction for Judy Murray and will place her firmly alongside authors like Rev Rich Coles, S. J. Bennett and Shirley Ballas - light-hearted murder mystery, with women at the forefront.

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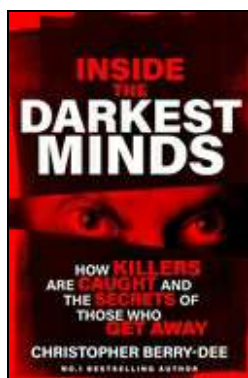
JUDY MURRAY is a former Scottish international tennis player and has 64 national titles to her name. In 1995 she became the Scottish National Coach. Judy is a powerful voice in the battle for equality of opportunity for women in sport and was awarded an OBE for services to tennis, women in sport and charity. Alongside her tennis and coaching achievements, Judy was a contestant on Strictly Come Dancing in 2014, a Costa Book Award judge in 2021 and made her debut at the Edinburgh Fringe in 2022. Her memoir Knowing the Score was a Sunday Times bestseller and nominated for Sports Book of the Year. The Wild Card is her first novel.

Market

Rev Richard Coles, S. J. Bennett and Shirley Ballas

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Inside the Darkest Minds How killers are caught and the secrets of those who got away

Christopher Berry-Dee

Keynote

New from the UK's No.1 True Crime author, an inside look into the darkest killer minds, from criminologist Christopher Berry-Dee.

Description

New from the UK's No.1 True Crime author, an inside look into the darkest killer minds, from criminologist Christopher Berry-Dee.

In his new book, Berry-Dee dives even deeper into the minds of murderers and serial killers. From mass murderers, spree killers and assassins to one-off takers of human life, the criminologist and bestselling author uncovers the secrets of the most evil among us.

Tracking the most shocking cases from the past to the present day, *Inside the Darkest Minds* explores the lives of those who beat the law - and those who didn't. How did the careful, premediated planner come unstuck? How did the thoughtless killer escape justice?

A unique exploration of murderers and their fates, Christopher Berry-Dee once more tackles head on those destined for death row.

Sales Points

- **SALES TRACK:** As the No.1 True Crime author in the UK, Christopher has an incredible track record in this space, with a total value nearing £5m and a volume total nearing 800,000 copies TCM.
- **AUTHOR EXPERTISE:** Christopher is a criminologist, plus founder and former Director of the Criminology Research Institute (CRI), and former publisher and Editor-in-Chief of *The Criminologist*, a highly respected journal on matters concerning all aspects of criminology from law enforcement to forensic psychology.
- **COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS:** A regular headliner at crime festivals, CrimeCon attendance will be a key lever in the campaign. Well-known amongst other true crime authors, Christopher is beloved by fans for sharing shocking true stories, and this new book digs deep into the topics his readers love.
- **MEDIA CONNECTIONS:** Christopher was co-producer/interviewer for the acclaimed twelve-part TV documentary series *The Serial Killers*, and has appeared on television as a consultant on serial homicide, and, in the series *Born to Kill?*, on the cases of Fred and Rose West, the Moors Murderers and Dr Harold Shipman. He has also assisted in criminal investigations as far afield as Russia and the United States.

Author Biography

Christopher Berry-Dee is a bestselling author and criminologist, founder and former Director of the Criminology Research Institute, and former publisher and Editor-in-Chief of *The Criminologist*, a highly respected journal on matters concerning all aspects of criminology from law enforcement to forensic psychology. He has interviewed and interrogated over thirty of the world's most notorious killers, including Peter Sutcliffe, Ted Bundy and Dennis Nilsen. He was co-producer/interviewer for the acclaimed twelve-part TV documentary series *The Serial Killers*. Christopher appeared on television and as a consultant on the series *Born to Kill?*, discussing the cases of Fred and Rose West, the Moors Murderers and Dr Harold Shipman. He has also assisted in criminal investigations as far afield as Russia and the United States.

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The Serial Killer Next Door by Emma Kenny; The Big Book of Serial Killers by Jack Rosewood; Manhunt by Colin Sutton

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Underdogs

Louise Powell

Keynote

An edge-of-your-seat, voice-driven debut set in the world of underground greyhound racing by the winner of the New Writing North Sid Chaplin Award.

Description

'Beautiful, heartbreaking, uplifting, funny . . . At times my own heart was racing as if with the dogs . . . a story of love, of loss, of hope; of life and how to live it even when the chips are down' JENNY KNIGHT, author of *Wild Moon Rising*

'Told with a full-blooded voice that is as quick and alive as the hounds that fill its pages, *Underdogs* captures a forgotten way of life in a forgotten part of England with rare honesty and wit' SCOTT PRESTON, author of *The Borrowed Hills*

'These hands,' he said, and spread the paira them out wide so we could see the callouses and the little lines of coal dust underneath his skin; 'these hands were made to pick out summat precious from somewhere that doesn't wanna give it up.'

County Durham, 1998. The pits have closed and jobs are hard to come by, but charismatic ex-miner Bertie has a plan. He runs an underground gambling ring at the local dog track which offers down-on-their-luck blokes a way to turn their life around.

Reg's ten-year-old son George knows his dad hasn't been the same since Mam died, and the letters with scary red type that keep coming through the door can't be good news. So when Bertie offers Reg and George the chance to race Goldie, a beautiful fawn greyhound, they jump at the opportunity.

To succeed they'll need to learn how to navigate the larger-than-life world of the flapping track, all while dark secrets from Bertie's past threaten to unravel the operation. Do Reg and George have what it takes to pull off the gamble of a lifetime?

Sales Points

- **AUTHOR'S STORY:** Louise Powell was born flapping - the name for unregulated greyhound racing. She grew up racing her family's greyhounds at the tracks after school, time that offered a light during dark times of financial difficulty.
- **LOST SLICE OF WORKING-CLASS HISTORY:** Today, no flapping tracks exist in England. This novel, set in 1990s Durham, captures the close-knit, proudly working-class community full of characters who cared for their magnificent dogs.
- **AWARD-WINNING WRITER TO WATCH:** Louise is an award-winning working-class writer, playwright and director. Her writing was featured in Kit de Waal's acclaimed anthology *Common People*, she was shortlisted for Writer of the Year at the North East Culture Awards, she won the New Writing North Sid Chaplin award for the opening of *Underdogs*, and she received two rounds of Art Council funding to complete the novel. Her plays have been staged at eight venues to date.
- **JMO SUCCESS:** Over the past eleven years, the JM Originals list has seen extraordinary prize success, including listings on the Booker Prize, the Women's Prize for Fiction, the Goldsmiths Prize and the Desmond Elliott Prize. It's a home for boundary-pushing, superbly crafted fiction and non-fiction.
- **For readers of *Shuggie Bain* and *Kick the Latch***

Reviews

- **'Even if this were not a debut, which is hard to believe, *Underdogs* is an astonishing novel, on many levels. It blew me away . . . Powell is a master storyteller, and this is a raw, witty and engaging page-turner, her command of the language and characters that colour George's world not just cinematic but utterly captivating . . . A richly observed and loving tribute to a community and a way of life too-often overlooked'** - JENNY KNIGHT, author of *Wild Moon Rising*
- **'A fast-paced, fun and tender story of family, connection and community - all carried by a brilliantly distinctive voice'** - *Han Smith*
- **'Told with a full-blooded voice that is as quick and alive as the hounds that fill its pages, *Underdogs* captures a forgotten way of life in a forgotten part of England with rare honesty and wit'** - *Scott Preston*
- **'An original, authentic and distinctly northern tale delivered with a strong sense of compassion for its characters and their community. Powell works consistently within the lingual constraints of her chosen voice and its dialect, the repetitions and rhythms, pushing at its limits to produce a kind of poetry unique to itself'** - *Shaun Wilson*

Author Biography

Louise Powell is an award-winning working-class writer from Middlesbrough. She won the Sid Chaplin Northern Writers' Award 2023, and was the joint recipient of the Peter Lathan Prize for New Playwriting 2022. Louise's plays have been broadcast on BBC Radio 4 Extra



and performed at nine theatres. She has written three commissioned short art films, as well as two Arts Council funded audio documentary series, and was published in Kit de Waal's acclaimed *Common People* anthology. She is the author of the *Coal Face* poetry and creative non-fiction collections. She has a PhD in English from Sheffield Hallam University. She has also held a Professional Greyhound Trainer's Licence. *Underdogs* is her first novel.

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Your Superpower Embrace what makes you different

Tasha Ghouri

Keynote

How to celebrate and embrace the things the make you different, by Tasha Ghouri, Love Island's first deaf contestant.

Description

Tasha Ghouri was watched daily by over three million people as part of the country's most popular reality series - Love Island - and became a breakout star. But what sets Tasha apart is her superpower. Something which once made her feel like an outcast is now her greatest source of strength and community. Tasha's superpower is her identity as a Deaf woman, what's yours?

Tasha will describe how she overcame hurdles growing up to feeling confident in who she is now, and will interview people from all walks of life to detail disabilities and differences of all kinds, such as blindness, alopecia, acne, mental health, and will show how to use your difference to make a difference and how to be unapologetically yourself.

Tasha will reveal how she embraces her superpower and encourage you to love, and use yours, for good, too.

Sales Points

- Tasha has 1.5m instagram followers on her personal account and 30k on the specific SuperpowerswithTasha account. She has a high engagement rate of 5%.
- She has a message unlike any other reality star and this is what would give this book a USP. Because of her own story, I'd hope we can get significant press. She also works with a lot of Deaf charities and partners, ie Cadbury's and we would hope they would help to promote the book, too.

Author Biography

Since finishing as a finalist in Series 8 of Love Island (2022) Tasha has gone on to cement herself in the fashion industry; working with sustainable and high end brands, and has continued her work supporting deaf charities. Tasha is the first pre-loved ambassador for eBay and works as an ambassador for other premium brands including Loreal Paris, Cadbury, Ann Summers, Essie and many more.

Tasha's main focus with her platform is to encourage people to celebrate their disabilities, or as she calls them 'Superpowers'. She has her very own podcast 'Superpowers with Tasha Ghouri' where she chats with other high profile talent about their own superpowers. She is a keen advocate for inclusivity and her goal is to raise awareness for these topics that are sometimes seen as a Taboo. Tasha is also a proud global ambassador for DeafKidzUK as well as supporting charities RNID and NDCS where she works behind the scenes to help the deaf community.

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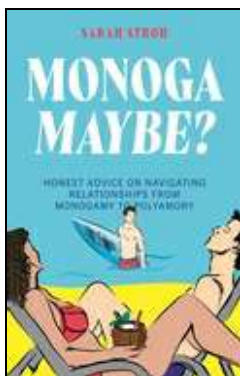
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Monogamaybe? Honest Advice on Navigating Relationships from Monogamy to Polyamory

Sarah Stroh

Keynote

Maybe monogamy is for you, and maybe it's not. You don't have to bend yourself to fit the "default" relationship style, and this book will help you form the kind of relationship that's right for you.

Description

One spouse, two-point-four kids, a golden retriever and a white picket fence. That's the goal, right?

For some people that sounds perfect. For others, the monogamous 'default' feels restrictive and uncomfortable, and a more flexible approach allows them to flourish. In this honest, open guide, Sarah Stroh shares her experiences coming to terms with being non-monogamous and offers ways to explore relationship structures outside the status quo.

With advice on handling shame and stigma, understanding jealousy in yourself and your partners, and navigating long-term commitment, this book shows you how to develop healthy open relationships that support everyone involved. Whether you're experienced with non-monogamy or simply poly-curious, this book will help you find relationship structures that work for you, and embrace life outside the box.

Sales Points

- **Popular subject area:** ethical non-monogamy is a strong seller (the Anxious Person's Guide to Non-Monogamy has sold over 28,000 copies across all formats).
- **Strong author platform:** the author has 6,500 subscribers on Substack, 25,000 followers on Medium and 41,000 followers on Instagram.
- In a 2023 YouGov survey, **34%** of Americans described their ideal relationship as **something other than monogamy**.
- **Consistently growing area:** Online searches for "polyamory," "open relationship," and "ethical non-monogamy" increased by 300% between 2015-2020 (Data & Statistics: Ethical Non-Monogamy, Open Relationships & Polyamory)

Author Biography

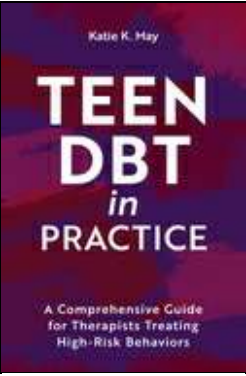
Sarah (she/they) is a writer, coach, and speaker focused on empowering people to pursue the relationships they truly want. She is the creator of the Monogamish newsletter on Substack and is active on Instagram where she discusses her non-monogamous life and all she's learning from it.

Market

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Teen DBT in Practice

A Comprehensive Guide for Therapists Treating High-Risk Behaviors

Katie K. May

Keynote

A practical, step-by-step guide to delivering Dialectical Behavior Therapy for adolescents displaying high-risk behaviors.

Description

Supporting adolescents who engage in high-risk behaviors requires a therapeutic approach that is structured, compassionate, and clinically rigorous. *Teen DBT in Practice* provides therapists with a clear, step-by-step framework for delivering Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) to young people with consistency and confidence. Emphasising structure, flexibility, and fidelity, the book offers practical guidance for addressing self-harm and suicidal behaviors in young people.

Written by a Linehan board-certified DBT clinician, this guide integrates individual therapy, skills training, caregiver involvement, and phone coaching into a unified, adolescent-specific model. It includes ready-to-use tools such as guidance on diary cards, session outlines, treatment hierarchies, commitment strategies, and creative, teen-friendly interventions designed for real-world clinical settings.

Grounded in extensive clinical practice, *Teen DBT in Practice* supports immediate implementation while prioritising progress tracking, family collaboration, and therapist sustainability, making it an essential resource for clinicians delivering ethical, effective DBT with high-risk teens.

- Sales Points

 - **Clear DBT Framework:** Guides therapists through the full DBT process, not just individual skills.
 - **Adolescent-Specific:** Tailored interventions that meet the developmental and emotional needs of teens.
 - **Ready-to-Use Tools:** Includes worksheets, scripts, guidance on diary cards, session plans, and progress tracking tools.
 - **Authoritative Expertise:** Written by a Linehan board-certified DBT clinician with extensive clinical experience.
 - **Therapist-Sustaining:** Supports effective care without increasing workload or requiring additional training.

- Reviews

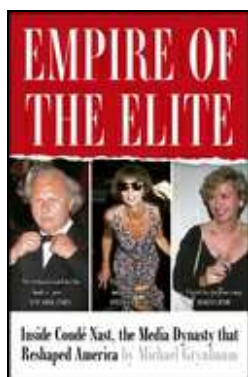
 - '*Teen DBT in Practice* by Katie May is an essential resource for anyone working with teens navigating the complexities of mental health. It offers a comprehensive roadmap filled with practical tools and strategies that empower both teens and caregivers to build resilience and foster real change. The emphasis on understanding the underlying patterns of behavior, alongside innovative techniques like diary cards and structured DBT sessions, transforms therapeutic practices into powerful, skill-building interventions. A must-read for professionals dedicated to guiding young people from crisis to a life filled with purpose and hope!' - Shari Botwin, LCSW and author of *Stolen Childhoods: Thriving After Abuse*, and *Thriving After Trauma: Stories of Living and Healing*
 - 'Katie May has a remarkable gift for translating complex clinical ideas into guidance that feels clear, practical, and immediately applicable. By prioritizing the needs of teens, parents, and therapists alike, she makes DBT skills both accessible and sustainable in real-world settings. Her lived experience on multiple sides of the couch brings a rare authenticity to this book, making it an invaluable resource for anyone working with teens.' - Jamie D. Roberts, LMFT author of *Neurodiveristy for Teen Girls* and *Mindfulness for Teen Anxiety*

Author Biography

Katie K. May is a Linehan board-certified Dialectical Behavior Therapy clinician and the owner and executive director of Creative Healing. A national trainer and speaker, she specialises in working with adolescents experiencing depression, self-harm, and suicidal behaviors. Katie brings over a decade of clinical experience to her work and is committed to helping teens build lives worth living while supporting therapists to deliver effective, sustainable care. She is based in Pennsylvania.

Market

Primary market: therapists, counsellors, psychologists, and mental health professionals working with adolescents, particularly those delivering or training in DBT. Secondary market: DBT-informed services, CAMHS-equivalent teams, and clinical supervisors. Market primarily UK, US, Canada, and Australia.



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Empire of the Elite

Inside Condé Nast, the media dynasty that reshaped the world

Michael M. Grynbaum

Keynote

From a *New York Times* media correspondent, a dishy history of the Condé Nast magazine empire, home of *Vogue*, *Vanity Fair*, the *New Yorker* and more, focusing on its glitzy heyday from the 1980s through to the 2000s.

Description

'Michael Grynbaum chronicles the rise and fall of a media juggernaut, owner of glossy magazines such as *Vogue*, *Vanity Fair*, the *New Yorker* and *GQ*, weaving tight reporting and outrageous gossip with a thoughtful cultural history.' *FINANCIAL TIMES*

'Glamour! Taste! Prestige! Monsters! I loved this gorgeous romp through a lost world' MARINA HYDE

For decades, Condé Nast and its glittering magazines defined how to live the good life. The brilliant, complicated, striving characters behind *Vogue*, *Vanity Fair*, *The New Yorker*, *GQ*, *Architectural Digest*, and many other titles manufactured a vision of luxury and sophistication that shaped consumer habits, cultural trends, intellectual attitudes, and political beliefs the world over.

Condé's billionaire owner Si Newhouse and his stable of star editors, photographers, and writers were the gatekeepers who decided what and who mattered, and they offered those opinions to tens of millions of readers every month. They were the ultimate influencers-before social media changed everything. The magazines crowned celebrities by the dozens, patronized creative talent much as the Medicis had underwritten Renaissance artists, and supercharged opulent events like the *Vanity Fair* Oscar Party and the Met Gala, which came to rival any fete that Louis XIV ever hosted at Versailles. The book is full of fresh behind-the-scenes reporting about a plethora of boldface names and sets out to explain how Condé Nast established itself as a de facto American aristocracy, anointing an elite and dictating the culture they presided over.

The colorful story of Condé Nast at its zenith and the profound way it influenced how Americans aspired to look, eat, decorate, date, marry, and even think, has never been examined deeply. *Empire of the Elite* is the first book-length history of an empire whose publications refashioned American notions of prestige, whose editors became celebrities themselves, and whose diminution offers a cautionary tale of class, hubris, and technological change, even as its aesthetic and ethos remain influential to this day.

Sales Points

- Well-reviewed with perfectly placed author: this is the perfect summer read for avid magazine readers everywhere
- Super-engaged niche of readers, who disseminate all the gossip and lore from the nineties, strong nostalgic hook
- FT Book of the Year in hardback

Author Biography

Michael M. Grynbaum is a correspondent for *The New York Times*, where he covers media, politics, and culture. Since joining the newspaper at age twenty-two, he has reported on three presidential campaigns and the transformation of the media world in the Trump era. He graduated from Harvard with a degree in history and literature, and lives in Manhattan. This is his first book.

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Author living in **Colorado, USA**

Previous Titles

Bay Area Players Series:
Just for the Cameras

Bridesmaid for Hire Series:
Bridesmaid for Hire
Bridesmaid Undercover
Bridesmaid By Chance

Standalones:
How My Neighbour Stole Christmas
Till Summer Do Us Part
Merry Christmas, You Filthy Animal

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Just for the Plot

The next spicy and hilarious romcom in your new favourite sports romance series by bestselling author Meghan Quinn

Meghan Quinn

Keynote

A steamy new romcom from the romance TikTok sensation: hilarious, sexy, romantic, this is the second book in a brand new sports romance series.

Description

From New York Times bestselling author Meghan Quinn comes a spicy sports romance filled with late-night book club confessions, forbidden attraction, and one slow-burn love story that refuses to stay platonic.

They're just friends.

At least, that's what she thinks. Him? He has other plans.

Bennett Brinkman is San Francisco baseball's golden boy-focused, disciplined, and very bad at ignoring the one woman he shouldn't want. Falling for his sister's best friend was inevitable, even though she's known him since he was all gangly elbows, bad haircuts, and teenage awkwardness...and still insists on seeing him that way.

Bower knows exactly why wanting Bennett is a terrible idea. She's fiercely loyal to her best friend and well aware that crossing this particular line could blow everything up. But when she moves into Bennett's apartment building, that "just friends" boundary begins to blur in the most tempting ways.

The banter comes fast.
The sparks come faster.
And pretending it's "no big deal" is getting ridiculous.

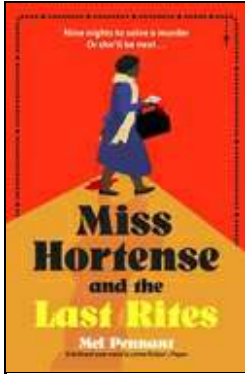
As feelings get messier and attraction turns undeniable, Bennett and Bower must decide if risking their family ties is worth chasing the love that's been in front of them all along.

Sales Points

- **Huge bestselling author:** Meghan Quinn has published nearly 30 previous books (both self-published and traditional) all of which are regularly in the top #100 Kindle charts. We are planning to break her out in the UK and introduce her to a whole new readership with strong paperback campaigns
- **Romcoms full of romance readers' favourite tropes:** Meghan writes brilliant, perhaps 'traditional'-feeling romcoms, albeit with a lot of spice. Her area of the market is heavy on the 'com', which gives her a real USP over some of the other romance authors that are doing well - although they are still *incredibly* saucy.
- **New series:** This is the start of a new sports romance series. In her career so far, Meghan's most popular series is her previous sports romance series: this will be a great opportunity to bring readers in and keep them engaged throughout the series, although all her books also work as standalones.
- **Engaged fanbase and pre-existing playform:** Meghan already has a brilliantly engaged fanbase, proven by her **140k newsletter subscribers** as well as a huge following on Instagram, Facebook, Twitter and TikTok. She is a firm favourite for romance readers globally, and has a huge number of increasingly dedicated fans who want to buy every book she writes.
- **Brilliant reader reviews:** High levels of five-star reviews on all previously published books: 'Meghan is one hell of an author!'; 'Never laughed out loud at a book as much in my life . . . plus the steam. Holy smokes!'; 'Anything by Meghan Quinn is a solid five stars and above for me!'; 'Sweet, spicy and banter to boot'

Author Biography

#1 Amazon and *USA Today* bestselling author, wife, adoptive mother, and peanut butter lover. Author of romantic comedies and contemporary romance, Meghan Quinn brings readers the perfect combination of heart, humour, and heat in every book.



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Miss Hortense Mysteries:
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Miss Hortense and the Last Rites

Mel Pennant

Keynote

Retired Jamaican nurse Miss Hortense and her friends in Bigglesweigh's Pardner Network return in another page-turning mystery.

Description

'Utterly thrilling, this quest for survival gripped me from start to finish. With a flourishing cast of richly drawn characters, it would be a crime to miss it' Olly Smith, author of *Death by Noir*

Nine nights to solve a murder ... or she'll be next.

When Bigglesweigh's notorious gangster, Cuttah, uses up the last of his nine lives, and is found dead, there is only one person who can solve the mystery of who killed him: indomitable retired nurse Miss Hortense. A resident of the quiet Birmingham suburb since she emigrated from Jamaica in the 1960s, the renowned cook never shies away from a challenge.

Cuttah left behind a list of suspects. Miss Hortense is ready to investigate, but there's just one problem: her name is on the list and, worse, she only has nine nights before his cronies seek retribution...

With the help of friends - including bubbly Blossom and tough, handsome Fitz - Miss Hortense must use her unique skills to crack the case in a town with as many secrets as there are ingredients for beef patties. But this will prove no easy task. The clock is ticking, and Cuttah's numerous enemies possess ties to drug running and corrupt police, not to mention a case from Miss Hortense's past which is about to come back to haunt her.

***Miss Hortense and the Last Rites* is the second brilliantly entertaining and page-turning British-Caribbean mystery from critically acclaimed writer Mel Pennant.**

PRAISE FOR A MURDER FOR MISS HORTENSE:

'Fresh, original and intriguing from start to finish!' Janice Hallett, bestselling author of *The Examiner*

'What a joy - a brilliant new amateur sleuth to rival Miss Marple!' *Good Housekeeping*

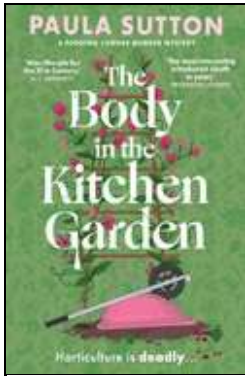
'More than a cosy crime mystery . . . it's the story of a community' Jennie Godfrey, author of *The List of Suspicious Things*

Sales Points

- Playwright Mel Pennant's **wonderful cast of older Caribbean characters**, and her gripping, humorous and compassionate writing **will appeal to fans of Richard Osman's Thursday Murder Club series and TV's Death in Paradise.**
- **Miss Hortense was inspired by author Mel Pennant's grandmother, a Pardner Lady of the Windrush generation**, which played a pivotal role in the history of Caribbean culture in the UK.
- **A unique offering in the crime fiction space**, this is a building brand for Baskerville (publisher of Mick Herron). **TV rights have been sold in a major auction.**
- A MURDER FOR MISS HORTENSE is beloved by readers and fellow crime writers alike, including **Kristen Perrin, author of HOW TO SOLVE YOUR OWN MURDER: 'Packed with cleverness and warmth, with an expertly plotted mystery spanning decades...This book delivers that magical combination of unforgettable characters, community, and heart, and I could not put it down.'**

Author Biography

Mel Pennant is an award-winning playwright whose work has appeared in the National Archives, as well as on stage. Born in London, she was raised by an extraordinary village, which included her Jamaican grandparents who moved to England in the 1950s as part of the Windrush generation. Mel is drawn to stories that explore what's hidden below the surface and celebrate the richness and strength of tight-knit communities. She lives in London with her family and their dog, Bleu, and she is currently writing another mystery starring Miss Hortense.



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The Potting Shed Murder

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The Body in the Kitchen Garden

A completely addictive and charming cosy murder mystery

Paula Sutton

Keynote

The next delightfully cosy, quirky and twist-packed instalment in Paula Sutton's unmissable 'cottage core murder mystery' series - perfect for fans of Janice Hallett and Richard Osman.

Description

Welcome to the idyllic village of Pudding Corner. Tea is poured, secrets simmer, gardens hide more than just weeds - and murder is blooming once again...

Pudding Corner is abuzz: the enigmatic Lord Hugh Darlington has returned to his crumbling ancestral home after years away. With his fiancée, he plans to revive the grand Darlington Hall - and who better to help than vintage aficionado Daphne Brewster?

Daphne is enchanted by the estate's stained-glass windows, regal turrets, and sprawling kitchen garden. But amidst the overgrown greenery, she stumbles upon something far less picturesque: a body. A body that nobody can identify.

As the shocking murder rocks the village, Daphne dusts off her sleuthing skills - despite the local PC's warnings to stay out of trouble. When Lord Darlington is attacked and a string of burglaries shakes Pudding Corner, it's clear that no one is safe.

With secrets buried deep and loyalties more tangled than ivy, Daphne must unearth the truth... before the killer strikes again.

Wickedly witty and brimming with twists as sharp as a pair of antique shears, *The Body in the Kitchen Garden* is a cosy crime page-turner that will keep you guessing until the very last clue is uncovered. Perfect for fans of Richard Coles, C.L Miller and Ian Moore.

'Blooming fabulous! The perfect book to get lost in . . . **The cosiest of cosy crime**'
Veronica Henry on *The Potting Shed Murder*

'A village of secrets, a cast of zany characters: this is **a romp of a read that warms the heart**' Orlando Murrin on *The Potting Shed Murder*

'A really fun, fast-paced and atmospheric whodunnit. **Perfect for fans of Agatha Raisin**' Jessica Bull on *The Potting Shed Murder*

'**A great modern cosy**' Ian Moore on *The Potting Shed Murder*

'Delightful . . . **Charming and fresh**' Kuchenga Shenjé on *The Potting Shed Murder*

Sales Points

- **The next cosy crime brand:** An engrossing whodunnit with a lovable amateur sleuth and a hilarious take on life in a countryside village, *The Body in the Kitchen Garden* is the return to a beloved murder mystery series that started with *The Potting Shed Murder*. Book 1 received glowing praise from authors including Paterson Joseph, S. J. Bennet, Veronica Henry, Jessica Bull and Ian Moore - just to name a few.
- **Social media sensation:** Paula Sutton is the creator of Hill House Vintage, the Instagram account with over 607k followers, 98k TikTok followers with 1.7m likes, and 20.5k YouTube subscribers. Paula is a monthly contributor to *Country Homes and Interiors*, is a regular on *This Morning*, and is part of a Channel 4 show *Millionaire Hoarders* (a new season is airing this year). She has built up an impressive portfolio of brand partnerships, such as Lancome, Liberty London, Fortnum & Mason, John Lewis and The White Company.
- **Cosy crime joy:** Cosy crime continues to prove an evergreen genre and *Hill House Vintage Murder Mysteries*, with its charming and atmospheric setting, twist-packed plots and a rich and diverse character cast, is perfect for fans of Richard Osman, Janice Hallett and Richard Coles. Paula is a cosy crime super-fan and this series is written *completely* by her - not a ghostwriter in sight! Named by *Vogue* as the happiest influencer on Instagram, this joyful and quirky cosy crime novel couldn't be a more perfect fit for Paula's brand.
- **Inspired by Paula's life:** As well as being an unputdownable cosy mystery, the book is an ode to rural England and countryside life, with its slower pace, closeness to nature and a strong sense of community. Paula herself has upped and left her glamorous London life (where she worked in fashion publishing) over ten years ago to move to Hill House in Norfolk with her family. Since then, Paula has curated a beautiful country home, mixing new with vintage, and is the creator of popular blog and Instagram account, Hill House Vintage.



Author Biography

Paula Sutton is the face behind Hill House Vintage, with over half-a-million Instagram followers. Named by British Vogue as the 'happiest influencer on Instagram', Paula is a vintage-hunting interiors stylist, author, columnist and television personality showcasing her wonderful cottage-core and cosy Norfolk life through a lens. Paula upped and left her glamorous London life - where she worked in fashion publishing - over ten years ago to move to Hill House in Norfolk with her family. Since then, Paula has curated a beautiful country home, mixing new with vintage, to find her perfect aesthetic, and is the creator of the popular blog, Hill House Vintage.

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Short Stories in Esperanto for Beginners

Read for pleasure at your level, expand your vocabulary and learn Esperanto the fun way!

Olly Richards

Keynote

Short Stories in Esperanto for Beginners is an unmissable collection of eight unconventional and captivating short stories for adult and young adult learners.

Description

An unmissable collection of eight unconventional and captivating short stories for young and adult learners of Esperanto.

"Olly's top-notch language-learning insights are right in line with the best of what we know from neuroscience and cognitive psychology about how to learn effectively. I love his work - and you will too!" - Barbara Oakley, PhD, Author of New York Times bestseller *A Mind for Numbers*

Short Stories in Esperanto for Beginners has been written especially for students from high-beginner to low-intermediate level, designed to give a sense of achievement, a feeling of progress and most importantly - enjoyment! Mapped to A1-B1 on the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR) for languages, these eight captivating stories are designed to give you a sense of achievement and a feeling of progress when reading.

What does this book give you?

- Eight stories in a variety of exciting genres, from science fiction and crime to history and thriller - making reading fun, while you learn a wide range of new vocabulary
- Controlled language at your level to help you progress confidently
- Realistic spoken dialogues to help you learn conversational expressions and improve your speaking ability
- Accessible grammar so you learn new structures naturally, in a stress-free way
- Pleasure! Research shows that if you're enjoying reading in a foreign language, you won't experience the usual feelings of frustration - 'It's too hard!' 'I don't understand!'

Carefully curated to make learning a new language easy, these stories include key features that will support and consolidate your progress, including:

- A glossary for bolded words in each chapter
- Full plot summary
- A bilingual word list
- Comprehension questions after each chapter.

As a result, you will be able to focus on enjoying reading, delighting in your improved range of vocabulary and grasp of the language, without ever feeling overwhelmed. From science fiction to fantasy, to crime and thrillers, *Short Stories in Esperanto for Beginners* will make learning Esperanto easy and enjoyable.

Sales Points

- Olly Richards is a well-known polyglot who will promote the courses through his website/podcast/youtube channel and conferences
- Eight stories in *different genres*
- Takes the frustration out of reading in a new language
- Makes reading accessible for beginners
- Includes glossary for bolded words in text

Reviews

- 'As researchers in language acquisition, we need to study people like you.' - Stephen Krashen, Emeritus Professor, University of Southern California
- 'Olly's advice on language learning is the real deal, and I recommend you pay attention to what he has to say!' - Benny Lewis, Fluent in 3 Months
- 'When we wanted to create a free online course on how to learn a language we asked Olly to write it with us.' - Dr Tita Beaven, The Open University
- 'Learning a language is challenging, but it's one of the best things you can do for your brain and your learning skill set... Olly Richards is doing some seriously incredible work to empower more and more people to rise to the challenge.' - Jonathan Levi

Author Biography

Olly Richards is a foreign language expert and teacher. He speaks eight languages and is known for teaching languages through the power of story.



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The Exquisite Torment of Loving Your Enemy

Brigitte Knightley

Keynote

In this swoony, witty and heart-stoppingly romantic sequel to instant *Sunday Times* and *New York Times* bestseller *The Irresistible Urge to Fall For Your Enemy*, the stakes are high, the love is forbidden and the slow burn turns steamy.

Description

'Sworn enemies, dazzling magic and delicious romantic tension make this a witty, wonderful gem' Sangu Mandanna, author of *The Very Secret Society of Irregular Witches*

In this swoony, witty and heart-stoppingly romantic sequel to instant *Sunday Times* and *New York Times* bestseller *The Irresistible Urge to Fall For Your Enemy*, the stakes are high, the love is forbidden and the slow burn turns steamy.

Osric is a member of the Fyren Order, a guild of assassins who gleefully murder for money. Aurienne is a Haelan, a scholar-healer whose Order's motto is *Harm to none*. Clear-cut absolutes separate them: good and bad, right and wrong, light and dark -

Until they don't.

When Osric first bribed Aurienne to heal him, he never imagined those lines would begin to blur. But every healing session draws the two of them closer together. He finds himself developing unwanted feelings for Aurienne as her capable hands heal his body - and his heart.

Aurienne's perfect life has been flung into chaos in the form of a devastatingly handsome assassin. She should be in her research lab, not illicitly healing a Fyren every full moon - nor wrestling an attraction to him that threatens to slip into something else.

Things go superbly sideways when Osric and Aurienne discover more about the deadly Pox deliberately unleashed through the Tiendoms. The plague may be the work of another Order - an Order far nastier than either of them can handle.

As the lines between Osric and Aurienne continue to blur, the balance between peace and war and love and hate trembles, shifts, and hinges on a heartbeat.

Tropes include:

Forced collaboration
Forbidden love
Denied attraction
Majoring in Yearalism
Semi-public s*x and other words not in the Bible
Rated E for E*ting Her Out

Praise for Dearly Beloathed duology:

'Utterly unique, hilarious, swoony beyond my wildest dreams! This book is an instant classic and a true masterpiece, it took my breath away and made my heart explode' Ali Hazelwood

'Brilliant and wildly imaginative, with a delicious forbidden romance set in a fascinating fantasy world. Knightley is a remarkable talent, weaving together witty comedy, slow-burn longing, and heart-wrenchingly poetic imagery' Sarah Hawley, author of *A Witch's Guide to Fake Dating a Demon*

'Knightley is in a league of her own! For those craving an enemies-to-lovers fix, you will find it all here. This is an explosive duology that makes me believe in magic and all things impossible!' Danica Nava, author of *Love is a War Song*

'With the most wickedly delicious banter, Brigitte Knightley is sure to become your next favourite author. This had all the things I love most: a slow-burn romance that hurts so good, truly agonizing enemies-to-lovers, with a twisty mystery at its core' Julie Soto, author of *Forget Me Not*

'Brigitte Knightley is such a wonderfully talented writer with a unique voice and a real genius for banter' India Holton author of *The Ornithologist's Field Guide to Love*

'The slow burn romance of my dreams. Whip smart, creative, and brimming with banter and wit . . . both the hero and heroine had me laughing and shouting to just kiss already. This one is a rare delight' Isabel Ibañez, author of

'Sexy and hilarious with dry-as-bone humour, Knightley's writing is not to be missed' Elissa Sussman, author of *Funny You Should Ask*

'This debut boasts gorgeously-written, vivid settings, a unique magic system and fresh fantasy world, razor-sharp wit, and graceful characterization. In short, Knightley's debut is nothing short of irresistible itself' Isabel Cañas, author of *The Hacienda*

Sales Points

- **MAJOR FOCUS TITLE FOR ORBIT IN 2025:** Targeting fans of Ali Hazelwood, Fourth Wing and Trial of the Sun Queen - readers who read primarily in the TikTok romance space, as well as fantasy fans. We will utilise the author's fanfiction fanbase, and craft a covetable hardback.
- **NEW AND EXCITING ROMANTASY SUBGENRE:** The readership for romantic fanfiction is absolutely enormous, and many commercial romance readers turn to fanfiction to get their fix. While romantasy is beginning to feel like an oversaturated genre, this author's witty rom-com writing style, almost reminiscent of Nora Ephron, will have wider appeal. While Sarah J Maas style romantasy may be overwhelming the market now, the fanfic style of romantasy is very likely to be the next big trend in this area, and this is the perfect book for L,B to get behind in this area.
- **FANFIC SENSATION/TIKTOK GROWTH:** The author's popular fanfiction (entirely different story but with the same rom-com feel) has over 4.5 million reads and dedicated fanbase. Her book is already going viral on TikTok, with nearly 1 million views for her username isthissselfcare. The original fanfic is generally understood by readers in the fanfic community to be one of the most popular fanfictions of that particular romantic pairing.
- **HUGE BREAKOUT / SUB BOX POTENTIAL:** Books that are known by fans to be fanfics like The Love Hypothesis, The Hurricane Wars and For the Wolf (all of these being Reylo fanfics) benefit from an early pre-existing fanbase of readers who will voraciously read anything with that particular 'ship' or romantic pairing. Fans who love the particular romantic pairing in the Dearly Beloathed duology, as well as the author's fanfiction, will be clamouring for this.

Reviews

- 'Utterly unique, hilarious, swoony beyond my wildest dreams! This book is an instant classic and a true masterpiece, and I've never read anything like it. Like a warm hug, that also made me laugh, and also took my breath away and made my heart explode. It's like the author took every single trope I adore and executed them in the most perfect way. A magnificent book, and I cannot wait for it to become everyone's favourite and to bring them as much joy as it brought me' - Ali Hazelwood
- 'Brilliant and wildly imaginative, with a delicious forbidden romance set in a fascinating fantasy world. Knightley is a remarkable talent, weaving together witty comedy, slow-burn longing, and heart-wrenchingly poetic imagery. This book is one of a kind, and I felt The Irresistible Urge to Keep Turning Pages Late Into The Night. I cannot wait for Knightley's next book' - Sarah Hawley, author of A Witch's Guide to Fake Dating a Demon
- 'With the most wickedly delicious banter, Brigitte Knightley is sure to become your next favourite author. This had all the things I love most: a slow-burn romance that hurts so good, truly agonizing enemies-to-lovers, with a twisty mystery at its core' - Julie Soto, author of Forget Me Not
- 'The slow burn romance of my dreams. Whip smart, creative, and brimming with banter and wit . . . both the hero and heroine had me laughing *and* shouting to just kiss already. This one is a rare delight' - Isabel Ibañez, author of What the River Knows

Author Biography

Brigitte's modus operandi is to write what she wants to read: enemies-to-lovers romances that put the unresolved back in UST. Her work is enjoyed by fans of slow burns, tongue-in-cheek romcoms, and suffering.

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Harbour of Hungry Ghosts

A brilliant new fantasy series from the no. 1 Sunday Times bestselling author

Eliza Chan

Keynote

Brand new fantasy adventure from the No. 1 Sunday Times bestselling Eliza Chan - a family of demon hunters struggle with unfamiliar monsters, ancestral expectations and the British Empire in Opium War-era Hong Kong.

Description

"My name is not Kim, it's Kiamling. It means Sword Spirit. I was forged to cut down the undead. Demons and monsters aren't just in your storybooks, they walk among us."

The Au family serve the people of Hong Kong: blessing shrines, honouring the dead and dealing with dangerous monster incursions. The expectations on eldest daughter Kiamling are high, which is not something her strict grandmother will let her forget.

When the British disrupt the Hungry Ghosts festival and her grandmother is seized by a strange new monster, Kiamling must step up and lead the search. She is aided by unexpected allies: Archie, an earnest civil servant, Hoi gor, childhood sweetheart turned merchant-pirate and Jingling, her younger sister keeping secrets of her own. Kiamling must figure out who is behind the incursion and more importantly, how to defeat them.

With British fables mingling with local Chinese monsters, can Kiamling prove herself, when the old rules no longer seem to apply?

Babel meets Buffy the Vampire Slayer - a family of demon hunters find their hands full when unfamiliar monsters start stalking the streets of Opium War-era Hong Kong, in this historical fantasy adventure from No. 1 Sunday Times bestseller Eliza Chan.

Sales Points

- Eliza Chan is a no. 1 *Sunday Times* bestseller
- The beginning of a new fantasy duology
- This novel tells a strong, family-centric adult fantasy story featuring folklore from China, Hong Kong and Britain
- Simultaneously published by Orbit USA and UK for a global publishing campaign

Author Biography

Eliza Chan is a Scottish-born Chinese-diaspora author who writes about East Asian mythology, British folklore and reclaiming the dragon lady, but preferably all three at once. Eliza's Sunday Times bestselling debut novel *Fathomfolk* was published by Orbit in February 2024. Her short fiction has been published in *The Dark*, *Podcastle*, *Fantasy Magazine* and *The Best of British Fantasy*, and her non-fiction has appeared on Tor.com. She lives in the North of England with her partner and young child. @elizachanwrites

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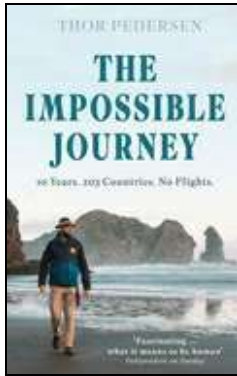
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The Impossible Journey

An incredible voyage through every country in the world without flying

Thor Pedersen

Keynote

An inspiring memoir of humanity and perseverance as Thor Pedersen embarks on an epic journey to visit every country in the world.

Description

'Never less than entertaining . . . the book really comes alive' Mail on Sunday

'A fascinating book . . . what it means to be human' Independent on Sunday

195 countries. Over a decade of travel. Not a single aeroplane in sight. This is the story of one man's journey to be the first to visit every country in the world without flight . . .

When Thor Pedersen set out on the adventure of a lifetime, he never dreamed of the people he'd meet and the places he could go. But embarking on this epic voyage took him to the brink of his sanity, wiped his funds and tested the relationships he held dear.

Over the years he encountered grave danger in the form of drunken armed men as well as the high seas, with giant waves crashing in over the ship from all sides. He has slept on the street and dined in the homes of billionaires. He visited countries stricken with war-zones, and once had to take an 11,919 km detour, revisiting seven countries, traversing Baluchistan in Pakistan escorted by armed guards because he was denied a visa while in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. Life becomes unnecessarily complicated without the luxury of flying.

Yet after years of challenges and milestones, Thor achieves something no human has ever done. *The Impossible Journey* is a triumphant memoir as he invites the world to share in this once in a lifetime adventure, the lessons, stories and unique perspectives on humanity he learned along the way.

Sales Points

- An inspiring and epic travel adventure memoir for fans of Bear Grylls or Levison Wood, that follows Thor on a ground-breaking and never before accomplished mission to visit every country across the world.
- There is an upcoming documentary following Thor's journey and this will be an exciting accompaniment to the publication of this book which can help us spread the word.
- Thor's story is fascinating and full of heart and humanity, as he shares the stories of the incredible people he meets along the way, and sheds light on his travels through war-zones, rich, poor, urban and remote locations.
- The paperback edition of *The Impossible Journey* will launch just ahead of Thor's three-year anniversary of returning from his adventure.

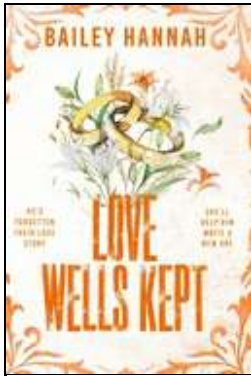
Author Biography

Thor Pedersen is the only person in history to have reached every country in the world completely without flying! The project, named Once Upon A Saga, was initially planned to take just four years but ended up taking nearly a decade due to unforeseen challenges such as visa issues, political unrest, and the COVID-19 pandemic. On May 23rd 2023, Pedersen reached the final country, Maldives, completing the project and claiming world history. Find out more at: <https://thorpedersen.dk/#the-impossible-journey>

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Previous Titles

Alive and Wells
Seeing Red
Change of Hart

Love Wells Kept

The must read spicy, heartwarming and heartbreaking cowboy romance that will have you **LASSOED!**

Bailey Hannah

Keynote

Elsie Silver meets Lyla Sage in this angsty and ridiculously romantic slow-burn

Description

After an accident erases years of his memory, a man returns to his family's ranch in hopes of piecing back together the life and love he thought he had lost forever in this spicy romance from the author of *Alive and Wells*.

He's forgotten their love story. She'll help him write a new one.

Jackson and Kate have been happily married for over ten years and live a beautifully chaotic life raising two young children on Wells Ranch. But when Jackson sustains a severe head injury that sends him into a coma, years of his memory are gone by the time he wakes. Doctors are confident it will return with time, but Jackson feels like a stranger in his own life. How can he have a wife and children but not know them?

Kate tries to remain strong for her family, but she secretly mourns the loss of the man she knew and fears he may never return. She leans on her Wells Ranch family, who she needs now more than ever. It's scary and difficult, but she won't give up on Jackson and their love, no matter how long it takes.

Despite early struggles, Kate and Jackson share tender moments that stir something in Jackson, even though he doesn't fully understand it. As more time passes, bits and pieces of Jackson's memories return, and he starts slowly rediscovering his instincts as a husband and dad. And though Jackson and Kate's love story may need a rewrite, they'll come to discover this new chapter might just be stronger than all the ones that came before.

Sales Points

- **COWBOYS ARE IN:** From Lyla Sage to Elsie Silver, cowboys are in and show no sign of leaving. They are perfect for fans of small-town romances with a usually broody love interest.
- **EXCITING SELF-PUBLISHED VOICE:** Bailey Hannah already has an existing fanbase which we can build upon in the UK and break her into retailers.
- **PERFECT FOR FANS OF SMALL-TOWN ROMCOMS:** Bailey Hannah has crossover beyond cowboy romcoms so hits all the notes.
- **GLOBAL EXCITEMENT:** Sold to Ballantine in a significant deal, Doubleday Canada (Canada), Vajona (Germany), at auction, Lovebooks (the Netherlands), Publicat (Poland) and Family Leisure Club (Ukraine) - all at auction.

Author Biography

Bailey Hannah is a Canadian romance author with a passion for strong heroines and rugged men who aren't afraid to love their women hard.

Born and raised in small town British Columbia, you can count on a touch of rural Canadian flair (dirt roads, rodeos, and ketchup chips) in her stories. Bailey lives with her husband, daughter, dogs, and chickens. In her spare time, she enjoys reading, enjoying the outdoors, and daydreaming about her characters.

For the most up-to-date information on works in progress and other book news, follow Bailey on social media @baileyhannahwrites

Market

For fans of Lyla Sage's Rebel Blue Ranch series and Paisley Hope's Silver Pines series who are looking for their next cowboy romance with close-knit communities and sexy ranchers.

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The Sea Hides its Dead

Megan Bontrager

Keynote

The Descent meets *The Ritual* in a cult aquatic horror about a group of academics trapped in a sea cave who must reckon with unknowable horrors as they are forced to atone for their greatest sins.

Description

YOUR SINS WON'T SAVE YOU.

'DARK, BONE-CHILLING AND UTTERLY TWISTED' Deena Helm

Trapped in an underwater cave, a group of academics must face a series of deadly, supernatural trials - each one demanding they confront their darkest sins - in this chilling aquatic cult horror debut from Megan Bontrager.

Grad student Caro has no idea what she wants to do with her life, but when an opportunity arises to act as a research assistant on an anthropological expedition for her professor and lover, Edward Beck, she doesn't hesitate.

Beck assembles a team of academics and professionals to study the ancient sea-based Cult of the Leviathan, and the expedition descends into the sea caves where the cult are said to have dwelt.

But when the cave entrance collapses, trapping them inside, the expedition will find they are not alone in the darkness. Surrounded by strange artefacts and scattered bones, an ancient trial has been set in motion. One by one, the members of the expedition will be tested and forced to atone for their greatest sin. . . or die.

Praise for *The Sea Hides its Dead*:

'A thrilling cosmic horror adventure where the monsters are as much within us as without . . . I was thoroughly obsessed - consider me an acolyte!' Jennifer Thorne, author of *Diavola*

'A captivating, Lovecraftian horror that examines friendships and love and the dark parts of ourselves' Daisy Pearce, author of *Something in the Walls*

'Bontrager's propulsive novel is a claustrophobic nightmare of wet, squelchy terrors and unflinching truths. Proof that no matter where you go, even in the cavernous depths of a mysterious sea monolith, there you are. You'll be glad to read this on dry land and wrapped in a warm blanket' E.L. Chen, author of *One Of Us Is Already Dead*

'Dark, bone-chilling, and utterly twisted, *The Sea Hides its Dead* will drag you into its depths with only a flare to light your way' Deena Helm, author of *Our Cut of Salt*

'A briny tale of cosmic horror at sea and a harrowing dark academic treatise about the cost of obsession and the wages of guilt. Weird, wild, and unpredictable' Bitter Karella, author of *Moonflow*

'Dark academia meets survival horror - with a cosmic twist. Megan Bontrager's captivating novel is full of psychological tension and heartbreak, along with truly nightmarish body horror' Ally Wilkes, author of *All the White Spaces*

'Cursed sea cults and vengeful angels come together in this blood and brine drenched tale. It's probably ill-advised to descend into inexplicable caves seeking eldritch horrors, but Bontrager's atmospheric writing makes the jaunt perilously twisty and terrifyingly entertaining' Tori Bovalino, author of *My Throat an Open Grave*

'Narrow passageways, hellish trials, eldritch horrors and worst of all - terrible academic men. *The Sea Hides its Dead* sparks the kind of awe and panic that the best horror delivers. Bontrager doesn't pull any punches' Hester Steel, author of *The Faceless Thing We Adore*

Sales Points

- **FRESH HORROR FROM A NEW VOICE:** Megan writes in an immediately accessible, commercial horror voice and her style will connect with fans of Darcy Coates, Mira Grant, Adam Nevill, Paul Tremblay and Rebecca Netley.
- **HORROR IS ON THE RISE:** As noted in *The Bookseller*, horror is experiencing a 'literary boom' with many more general fiction and literary fiction imprints stepping into the horror space. However, a lot of the horror being published is aimed at the general

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fiction reader who doesn't want to be too scared. *THE SEA HIDES ITS DEAD* is truly terrifying horror with a claustrophobic feel, as well as a fascinating supernatural element and representation of dark, toxic relationship cycles and relatable protagonists that readers will strongly connect with.

- **CREATURE FEATURE:** One thing about horror movie watchers and horror novel readers will always be true: we love a good monster. The cult of the Leviathan, and the cosmic horror of the Leviathan itself is, one of the most original, intricate and fascinating monster designs in horror. It harks to classic themes that everyone loves as well as feeling entirely new.
- **GLOBAL PUBLISHING:** As well as being an Orbit New Voice for 2026, *The Sea Hides its Dead* will be jointly published by Orbit UK and US with an impactful global launch

Reviews

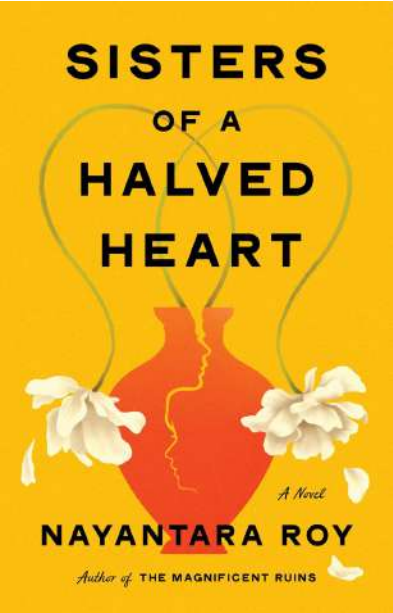
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Author Biography

Megan Bontrager is a Horror and SFF author, currently based in Yorkshire. Megan received her BFA in English from the University of Central Florida, and her MA in Writing from Johns Hopkins University. In her free time, Megan loves to play TTRPGs, and is a lifelong horse girl who dreams of rehabilitating rescues. *The Sea Hides its Dead* is her debut horror novel from Orbit.

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A Novel

Nayantara Roy

Key Selling Points

A MASTERFUL FOLLOW-UP TO A CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED DEBUT BY A WRITER ON THE RISE: Nayantara Roy’s debut was a New York Times Editor’s Choice novel of 2024, an LA Times Editor’s Pick, a Washington Post Best Book, a People Magazine Best Book, a Gold House Book Club Pick, and is an Apple best debut. The book is currently being adapted for television by Malcolm Lee.

A SMART AND UTTERLY ENGAGING STORY ABOUT THE COMPETITIVENESS BETWEEN TWO SISTERS AND THE MAN WHO COMES BETWEEN THEM: As in her previous novel, Roy latches onto a plot that is irresistible: the connections between siblings that can often have destructive consequences. This story feels like a natural pick for book clubs.

A WRITER WHOSE PLATFORM KEEPS GROWING: As a television executive at Sandbox Entertainment, Roy has an active presence and following on social media, and she consistently brings in solid crowds for her events through her own promotions and connections, as well as strong connections to the AAPI community.

Summary

The electric story of two sisters and an unthinkable betrayal.

Mira Guhathakurta is a poetry editor at a distinguished literary magazine in New York, a dream job that has given her nearly everything she's always wanted. And then she reconnects with Jack from college—kind, funny, intelligent Jack—and suddenly Mira feels as if she might have found her soulmate. They've woven their lives together so thoroughly; all that remains is for Jack to meet her family: her beloved father and dear sister Joy. But when Joy commits an unthinkable act of betrayal, the sisters are impossibly fractured and their father's heart is broken. As the sisters navigate their tumultuous relationship and Mira starts over, it turns out that Joy isn't the only one who has been—or continues to be—dishonest.

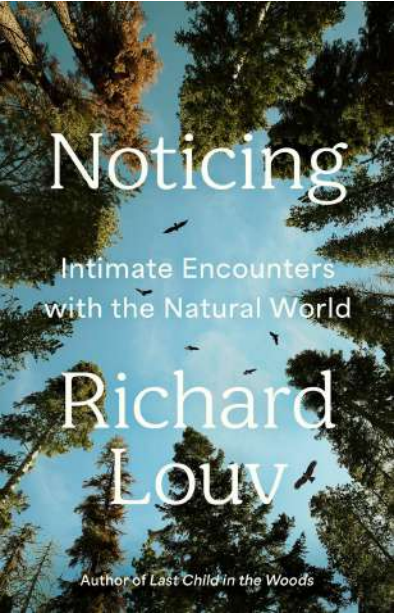
In a propulsive story of love and passion and the ultimate pull of family, *Sisters of a Halved Heart* examines the lengths we will go to in order to make our own narratives of love work out, the lies we tell ourselves, and the ways in which the truth, often right in front of you, can be impossible to see.

Contributor Bio

Nayantara Roy’s debut novel, *The Magnificent Ruins*, was a New York Times Editor’s Choice novel of 2024, an LA Times Editor’s Pick, a Washington Post Best Book, a People Magazine Best Book and an Apple best debut among others. The book is currently being adapted for television. In 2018, Roy won the Rick DeMarinis Short Story Prize for her short story, “8C.” Her plays have been performed internationally, in the UK and India. By day, she is the Senior Vice President of Television at Sandbox Entertainment where she acquires and develops original scripted series. She was born in Kolkata and now lives in Los Angeles.

Comp Titles

The Magnificent Ruins	Roy, Nayantara	Algonquin Books	11/12/2024	9781643755847 1643755846	\$29.00 USD	Hardcover Fiction
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Intimate Encounters With the Natural World

Richard Louv

Key Selling Points

BELOVED, BESTSELLING AUTHOR: Richard Louv is not just one of Algonquin's bestselling house authors; he is a media favorite and known the world over. His work has been translated into 20 languages, and he has appeared on CBS "This Morning," the "Today Show," and NPR's All Things Considered, and has written for *The New York Times* and *The Washington Post*.

CLEAR, ESTABLISHED AUDIENCE: Richard Louv has a built-in readership for his work given the continued recognition for and sales of *Last Child in the Woods*, now a classic, and his research on the importance of nature to our health, especially for children. He is frequently asked to present at universities and conferences and has built a worldwide movement connecting communities to nature (Children & Nature Network).

FRESH DIRECTION IN A WINNING CATEGORY: For the first time, Louv turns to more intimate, contemplative writing, focusing on the beauty of connection with the natural world, in the spirit of resonant bestsellers like *WORLD OF WONDERS* and *THE HIDDEN LIFE OF TREES*. Fans and newcomers to Louv's work will be eager for this shift from the prescriptive, scientific approach to a first-person, gorgeously reflective account of his forays in the natural world.

Summary

The internationally bestselling author of *Last Child in the Woods* seeks a deeper personal connection to nature during this time of ecoanxiety and upheaval by exploring his own backyard.

Long beloved for his insightful, inspiring nature writing, Richard Louv returns with his most personal book yet. *Noticing* is about discovering who you are by exploring the natural world. Louv shows how, by tapping into the thirty or more human senses we have, readers can develop skills--sensory, scientific, artistic, and spiritual--to see and experience the otherworlds of nature.

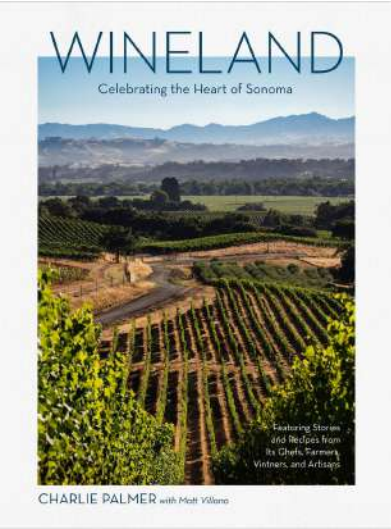
Through personal essays, rich with descriptions of the California wilderness around his home in the most biodiverse county in the nation, Louv draws on wisdom from influences as far-reaching as neuroscience, nature photography, Indigenous traditions, and mindfulness to foster what he calls "bioenchantment." He offers a new, deeper understanding of what it means to see a tree, know a fox, and to become fully human.

Contributor Bio

Richard Louv is a journalist and the author of ten books, including *Last Child in the Woods: Saving Our Children from Nature-Deficit Disorder*, *The Nature Principle*, and *Vitamin N*. Translated into twenty languages, his books have helped launch an international movement to connect children, families, and communities to nature. He is cofounder and chair emeritus of the nonprofit Children & Nature Network, which supports a new nature movement. Louv has written for the *New York Times*, *Outside* magazine, *Orion Magazine*, *Parents*, and many other publications. He appears regularly on national radio and TV, and lectures throughout the world. In 2008, he was awarded the Audubon Medal. Prior recipients have included Rachel Carson, E. O. Wilson, President Jimmy Carter, and Sir David Attenborough.

Comp Titles

Last Child in the Woods	Louv, Richard	Algonquin Books	4/15/2005	9781565123915 1565123913	\$24.95 USD	Hardcover	Family & Relationships



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Celebrating the Heart of Sonoma
Charlie Palmer, Matt Villano, Emma Kruch

Key Selling Points

The Appeal of California Wine Country Living: Set across a diverse landscape of valley, coastline, forest, and mountains, Sonoma County is home to an array of trail-blazing artisans whose stories appeal to those interested in wine, farm-to-table and slow food, sustainability, and more. (As Wine Country locals all know, Sonoma is the real and authentic heartbeat of the area, sorry Napa!)

The Perfect Sonoma Keepsake: With over 7 million people traveling to Sonoma Country every year looking to experience wine country’s finest. This book allows tourists and locals to bring a piece of Sonoma into their homes.

From a Legendary Chef and Sonoma County Local: Charlie Palmer, who won thirteen Michelin Stars and two James Beard Awards for his famed NYC restaurant Aureole, is a long-time Sonoma County resident and well-connected author.

Beautiful Coffee-table Package: Packed with gorgeous four-color photography, this book will transport readers to the Sonoma landscape and be an object of display in the home.

Summary

Celebrate the raw, authentic beauty of the California wine country living through transportive photography and the inspiring stories of Sonoma County’s special community of vintners, chefs, farmers, and more.

Author and legendary chef Charlie Palmer uprooted his NYC life for Sonoma County more than twenty years ago. Since then, through his award-winning Healdsburg restaurant, Dry Creek Kitchen, Palmer has forged a community of inspiring and influential artisans whose stories are now brought to life across the pages of *Wineland*. With abundant photography and a curated selection of recipes, the book’s twenty profiles capture the value of following nature, living with intention, and dedicating oneself to their craft.

Through *Wineland*, you’ll travel to the winding Russian River, where a biodynamic farm becomes one couple’s oasis for community. Explore a historic mission-style estate where a new generation communes around the table inspired by Sonoma’s unique terroir. Visit the Dry Creek Valley, where a fourth-generation winemaker tends to his family’s historic 150-year-old vineyard. Plus, meet Kyle and Katina Connaughton, the couple behind the world-renowned restaurant SingleThread, who demonstrate just how delicious it is to discover a nearly spiritual connection to the seasons; local baker Melissa Yanc, who exemplifies how passion can breed community; or Amelia Ceja, whose story of leading her family from vineyard laborers to owners of one of the most established wineries in the Carneros region reminds us that nothing is fixed.

Contributor Bio

Charlie Palmer is a celebrated chef, hospitality entrepreneur, and hotelier known for his signature Progressive American cuisine, blending bold flavors with classical French technique. Based between New York and Healdsburg, California, he is the founder of the Charlie Palmer Collective and cofounder of Appellation Hotels, with restaurants including Dry Creek Kitchen, Charlie Palmer Steak, and others across the country. A dedicated philanthropist, he founded the Palmer Family Education Foundation and hosts the annual Pigs & Pinot event supporting culinary scholarships and community programs in Sonoma. Charlie balances his storied career with his roles as a husband, father, and grandfather, drawing inspiration from the Sonoma community he calls home.

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Who Is Awake in the Moonlight?

Alexandra Milton

Key Selling Points

STUNNING ILLUSTRATIONS—This book is filled with beautiful illustrations that will appeal to readers.

EDUCATIONAL THEMES—This book gives young readers facts about nocturnal animals, making it great for any classroom or household.

COLLECTIBLE—Fourth title in a stunning natural history series, making a great collectible set.

HIGHLY-REGARDED AUTHOR— Alexandra’s first natural history title *Who is in the Egg?* was longlisted for the UKLA Book Award and has been consistently well reviewed. *Call Me Gorgeous* was nominated for the 2010 Kate Greenaway Medal. *Whose Tracks in the Snow?* was shortlisted at the UKLA Book Awards.

Summary

A delightful children's picture book about our animal friends who are awake when we are fast asleep.

All is quiet in the sleepy old house But out in the garden, in the light of the moon, Who is awake in the moonlight? While we’re sleeping, there are lots of creatures still awake.

Who Is Awake in the Moonlight? highlights the different activities that nocturnal animals are engaged in at night and the features that make them suited to the darkness: owls’ big eyes allow them to hunt in the dark, frogs croak at night when it’s cooler so they can attract a mate.

With stunning illustrations from acclaimed author and illustrator Alexandra Milton, *Who Is Awake in the Moonlight?* is a perfect bedtime story that will have children dreaming about the animals that are awake after the sun goes down.

Contributor Bio

Alexandra Milton is an artist and illustrator. Her chosen media is collage. She has developed a unique artistic style, collecting paper from around the world, which she tears and weaves into a multitude of layers to represent animals, birds, and plants. The artwork in her debut children’s book, *Call Me Gorgeous*, was nominated for the 2010 Kate Greenaway Medal. The book was also a 2009 Book Start choice, distributed free to 100,000 children across the UK. Her book *Whose Tracks in the Snow?* was shortlisted for the Information Books 3–14+ category of the UK Literary Association Awards 2024. Her third title *Who Lives Here?* has been longlisted for the 2026 award.

Alexandra Milton lives in London.

Comp Titles

While You're Asleep	Kastner, Emmy	Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers	3/26/2024	9781665931335 \$18.99 1665931337 USD	Hardcover Picture Book	Juvenile Fiction
Who Is in the Egg?	Milton, Alexandra	Boxer Books	2/25/2020	9781912757633 \$18.99 191275763X USD	Hardcover Picture Book	Juvenile Nonfiction
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Big Book of Actions

James O'Brien

Key Selling Points

ENGAGING ART: The artwork is graphic, simple, and fun, with enormous appeal. Each picture is created using potato printing.

PARENT AND CHILD APPEAL: A great introduction to action words, (ing verbs, such as washing, eating, dancing), which, using the structure of a child's day, provides plenty of material for adults and children to discuss together.

AUTHOR TRACK RECORD: James O'Brien's potato-printed artwork appeals to both adults and children. His merchandise sells quickly, and these picture books will make lovely gifts for caregivers and children to share.

HUMOROUS TEXT: James's previous career as a stand-up comic means his text is laugh-out-loud funny, engaging children in the reading process.

Summary

Yawning, swimming, singing and dancing – meet the hilarious, bold, animal characters – with attitude – and explore all the things they like to do.

In the second installment of the *Animals with Attitude* series, *Big Book of Actions* explores verbs (doing words) through bright, bold colours, and of course, Potato Printer's signature potato-print characters. This is a hilarious introduction to verbs – meet a yawning lion with morning breath, a funk dancing bowerbird, and a group of parrots sharing feelings!

Each verb is introduced with a funny quip from each animal character, providing a lighthearted and accessible exploration of these action words.

Contributor Bio

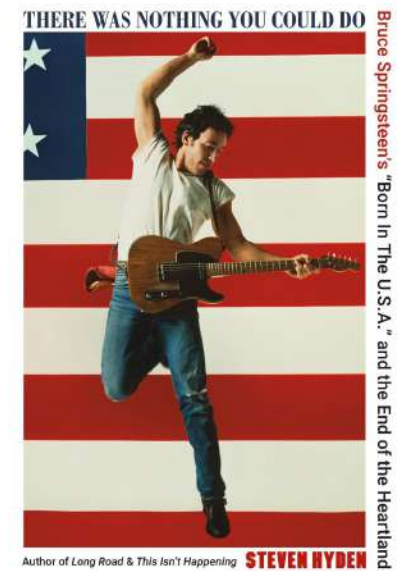
James O'Brien is the founder of Potato Printer. He's an artist, an illustrator and a comedy writer who uses humour (and potatoes) to create a daft world of funny animals who are trying their best at life. James has worked with the likes of H&M, IKEA, and Woodmansterne Greeting Cards to create very silly things for very silly people.

James O'Brien is based in London, UK. Visit his website at potatoprinter.com.

Comp Titles

Big Book of Feelings	O'Brien, James	Boxer Books	9/9/2025	9781454712190	\$18.99	Hardcover	Juvenile
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What Are They Doing?	McIntyre, Molly	Molly J. McIntyre	10/26/2015	9780996828208	\$8.99	Trade	Juvenile
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Bruce Springsteen's "Born In The U.S.A." and the End of the Heartland

Steven Hyden

Key Selling Points

DEVOTED SPRINGSTEEN FANBASE: Since bursting onto the music scene in the 1970s, Springsteen has amassed a massive and massively loyal fanbase that has followed him for the past five decades, as he continues to tour and churn out new music. Springsteen currently has 9M Facebook followers, 1.4M Instagram followers, and 1.3M Twitter followers, and 15.3M monthly listeners on Spotify (all numbers as of April 2023). He is one of the bestselling music artists of all time, having sold 71M+ albums in the US and 140M worldwide. In addition to winning numerous awards, including multiple Grammys, inductions in the Songwriters' Hall of Fame and the Rock n' Roll Hall of Fame, a Presidential Medal of Freedom, and a National Media of Arts, Springsteen also ranked #23 on *Rolling Stone's* list of the "Greatest Artists of All-Time."

FOCUSES ON ONE OF SPRINGSTEEN'S BESTSELLING ALBUMS: This book focuses on Springsteen's iconic *Born in the USA* album, released in 1984, which is not only one of Springsteen's most lauded albums, but also one of the bestselling albums--of any artist--of all time and is widely considered by critics and crowds alike to be one of the greatest music albums of all time. The album produced seven "Top Ten Singles", topped the charts in nine countries (including the US), and went platinum 17 times, selling 17M+ units in the US and 30M+ units worldwide. This is the first book to exclusively explore this album, both in terms of how it was influenced by the state of America at the time and the album's lasting impact on American culture after its release.

EXPERIENCED MUSIC JOURNALIST AT THE HELM: Steven Hyden is a widely respected music journalist who has built a career off his thoughtful, well-written bios that explore the impact of rock music in shaping various generations of modern America. Slowly, but surely, Hyden is working his way back, book by book, looking at the music that defined youth in each decade, starting with the release of Radiohead's *Kid A* album in 2000 (*This Isn't Happening*) and followed right after by a bio on Pearl Jam's reign through the 1990s (*Long Road*). In this new book, Hyden sets his sight on 1984, and shows how *Born in the USA* proved itself to be the defining album of the 1980s.

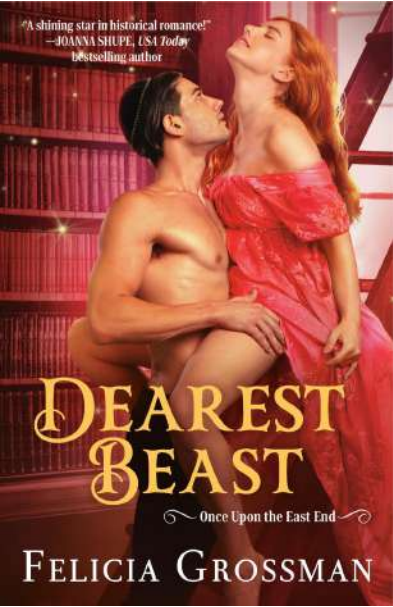
40th ALBUM ANNIVERSARY: This book will be published to coincide with the 40th anniversary of *Born in the U.S.A.*'s release.

Summary

A thought-provoking exploration of Bruce Springsteen's iconic album, *Born in the U.S.A.*—a record that both chronicled and foreshadowed the changing tides of modern America

On June 4, 1984, Columbia Records issued what would become one of the best-selling and most impactful rock albums of all time. An instant classic, Bruce Springsteen's *Born in the U.S.A.* would prove itself to be a landmark not only for the man who made it, but rock music in general and even the larger American culture over the next 40 years.

In *There Was Nothing You Could Do*, veteran rock critic Steven Hyden shows exactly how this record became such a pivotal part of the American tapestry. Alternating between insightful criticism, meticulous journalism, and personal anecdotes, Hyden delves into the songs that made—and didn't make—the final cut, including the tracks that wound up on its sister album, 1982's *Nebraska*. He also investigates the myriad reasons why Springsteen ran from and then embraced the success of his most popular (and most misunderstood) LP, as he carefully toed the line between balancing his commercial ambitions and being co-opted by the machine.



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Felicia Grossman

Key Selling Points

ACCLAIMED AUTHOR: Both *Marry Me by Midnight* and *Wake Me Most Wickedly* were named best books of the year by *Entertainment Weekly*, the *New York Times*, and the New York Public Library and received starred reviews from Kirkus. Felicia's writing has also been praised by authors like #1 *New York Times* bestselling author Julia Quinn and her books are the go-to recommendation for Jewish romances like *Bridgerton*.
HOT FOR HISTORICAL: To reach Forever's core readers, we're moving DEAREST BEAST to trade paperback and giving this swoony, *spicy* romance a gorgeous new look to reflect its lush writing and *Beauty and the Beast*-fairytale inspiration.
REPRESENTATION MATTERS: Felicia Grossman's writing on antisemitism in romance has appeared in *The Mary Sue* and *Romance Daily News*, and she has been invited to multiple bookstore panels to speak on Jewish representation in romance. Like the protagonists of her books, she identifies as Jewish.

Summary

A single father finds himself entranced by the same woman he once rejected in this enchanting retelling of *Beauty and the Beast*.

"Revolutionary storytelling" —*Entertainment Weekly*

Despite an unhappy first marriage, Roger Berab always took pride in being a good father. When his daughter's reckless behavior damages both their neighbor and her home, he's forced to reconsider. To pay reparations, he agrees to provide lodgings until the repairs are complete. Unfortunately for Roger, the victim is the same woman with whom he foolishly once shared a night of passion ... and then scorned for her lack of status.

With her sharp tongue and and disdain for fashion, Rebecca Adler is not exactly a community darling. What she does have are her skills at midwifery. That is, until she injures herself saving Roger Berab's daughter. With her profession at a halt and her haven in disrepair, she has no choice but to accept Roger's offer of shelter ... but never again will she believe a man of substance lies beyond his pretty face.

Trapped in the same house, neither Rebecca nor Roger can avoid each other—or the passion still burning between them. But their time together has a deadline, and Rebecca no longer trusts Roger: can he convince her his feelings are true? Or is their tale doomed before it's truly started?

Contributor Bio

Felicia Grossman is the author of historical romance, usually featuring Jewish protagonists and lots of food references. Originally from Delaware, she now lives in the Rustbelt with her family and Scottish Terrier. When not writing romance, she enjoys eclairs, cannolis, and Sondheim musicals.

Comp Titles

A Caribbean Heiress in Paris	Herrera, Adriana	HQN	5/31/2022	9781335639844	\$18.99	Trade Paperback	Fiction
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Marry Me by Midnight	Grossman, Felicia	Forever	8/8/2023	9781538722541	\$8.99 USD	Mass Market	Fiction
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Jenny Holiday

Key Selling Points

USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR:*Canadian Boyfriend*, hit #109 on the *USA Today* bestsellers list and has sold over 70k units across formats.
HIGHLY ACCLAIMED ROMANCE: Jenny has received high praise from *The New York Times*, *Refinery29*, *Booklist*, *NPR*, *Entertainment Weekly*, *USA Today*, *The Washington Post*, and *Publishers Weekly*, among others. *Canadian Boyfriend* earned a starred review from *Bookpage*.

TRENDING TROPES & DEEP TOPICS: *BOOK CLUB BOYFRIEND* combines the hot tropes of enemies-to-lovers, grumpy/sunshine, and simmering close proximity romance that tackles tough subject matters with poise, perfect for fans of Abby Jimenez, Annabel Monaghan, and Tessa Bailey.

Summary

Their messiest chapter might actually be their best one yet.

Blair Kellermoon—blond, bubbly, former rom-com star—has always worried no one would take her seriously as a producer. And with her latest film project stalled indefinitely, she’s starting to think desperate times call for desperate measures. Enter bestselling author Jack Branksome: beautiful writer, awful person. Yet somehow he and Blair have become unlikely text-friends, despite his very public refusal to participate in her celebrity book club. And he’s confessed he’s dealing with his own nightmare: the hotly anticipated novel he can’t seem to write.

So Blair does something unthinkable: she invites him to stay at her pool house. Now they’ve become two misfits bonding over movie nights, cheesy pasta, befriending wild crows, and solving the mystery of the weirdly green pool. Blair was sure she knew exactly how her story would end. But Jack might be proof that it’s only just beginning
...

Contributor Bio

Jenny Holiday is a *USA Today* bestselling author whose books have been featured by the *New York Times*, *Entertainment Weekly*, the *Washington Post*, and *NPR*. She grew up in Minnesota and started writing when her fourth-grade teacher gave her a notebook to fill with stories. When she's not working on her next book, she likes to hike, throw theme parties, and watch other people sing karaoke. Jenny lives in London, Ontario, Canada.

Comp Titles

All Rhodes Lead Here	Zapata, Mariana	Avon	1/30/2024	9780063325890 \$18.99 0063325896 USD	Trade Paperback	Fiction
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Kiss, Marry, Kill

Cara Tanamachi

Key Selling Points

BESTSELLING AUTHOR: Cara Tanamachi is a *USA Today* bestselling author and the 2024 Diverse Writers and Readers International winner. Cara is also the creator, co-host, and producer of the romance podcast *Skip to the Good Part*, making her well-connected in this space.

GENRE-BENDING FUN: KISS, MARRY, KILL taps into a much larger market with humor, thrills, and a romance with multiple love interests, readers will love the mystery and charm of this genre-bending read.

PUBLICATION PLAN: Cara Tanamachi's next book will be published with Forever in 2027.

Summary

Will she catch feelings ... or catch a killer?

True crime podcaster Ella Takeda is a sucker for a good mystery. She has an uncanny knack for pinpointing killers ... until she gets it wrong. Turns out that identifying an innocent man as the Canceled Killer—a serial murderer who targets high-profile fraudsters—is cause for immediate backlash.

Now she’s returned to her small Midwest town, but the Canceled Killer may not be done with her yet. Ella has a terrible suspicion she’s his next target ... and worse, she might be dating him. Could it be Jude, the sexy, cheese-loving nerd her mom is convinced she’s going to marry? Or Aaron, the hot Chicago detective who’s the walking embodiment of every Swipe Right fantasy? And finally, there’s Mateo—a Hollywood stunt double who’s got allll the right moves.

Trusting guys is hard enough, especially when one wants her dead. Will she be able to unmask the killer before she becomes the next victim?

Contributor Bio

Cara Tanamachi (also known as Cara Lockwood) is the *USA Today* bestselling author of 40 books, including *The Takeover* and *The Second You're Single*, a 2024 Diverse Writers and Readers International winner. Her first book, *I Do (But I Don't)*, was made into a Lifetime Original Movie. The Japanese-American novelist also wrote the novelization of *The Dater's Handbook*, starring Duchess Meghan Markle, and ghostwrote *The Sweet Life*, a Sweet Valley High novel, with Francine Pascal. Cara created the Bard Academy series, a finalist for the Gayle Wilson Award of Excellence. She co-hosts the romance podcast, *Skip to the Good Part*.

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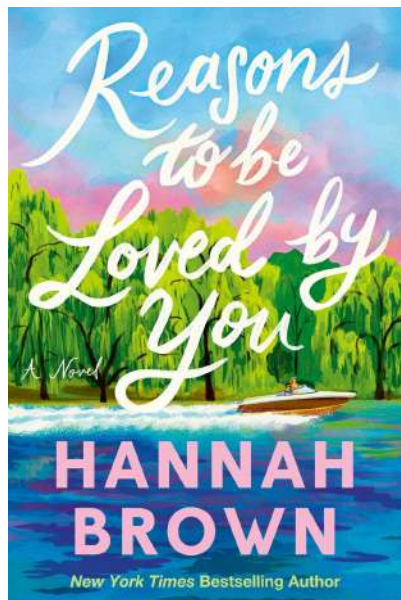
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Key Selling Points

BESTSELLING AUTHOR: *Mistakes We Never Made* was an instant *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestseller, and we have shipped over 50,000 copies of the hardcover edition. *The Four Engagement Rings of Sybil Rain* was also an instant *USA Today* bestseller, and we shipped over 48,000 copies. Additionally, Hannah's memoir, *God Bless This Mess*, debuted at #13 on the *New York Times* hardcover bestseller list. It has sold 68k copies in hardcover—far and away the best-selling memoir by a former Bachelor Nation contestant.

SOCIAL MEDIA POWERHOUSE: Hannah Brown is a star unlike any who has come out of *The Bachelor/The Bachelorette* franchise before. Her online reach of 4.8 million across social platforms makes her the most followed member of the franchise. On TikTok alone, she has 1.2M followers and 150M views on #HannahBrown. She won her season of *Dancing with the Stars*, which has given her name recognition beyond Bachelor Nation. Hannah's fans love how authentic she is, and they'll follow wherever she takes them, especially if it makes them feel like they're one of her best friends—which this novel will.

PERFECT SUMMER READ: Nothing says "summer" like a group of best friends, gorgeous lakeside settings, and swoony will-they-won't-they romance. More than that, REASONS TO BE LOVED BY YOU delivers on the banter, intimacy, and emotional poignancy that readers have come to expect from beach-reading favorites like Emily Henry and Carley Fortune.

Summary

From *New York Times* bestselling author and *Bachelorette* fan-favorite Hannah Brown, a rom-com beach read full of witty banter, emotional authenticity, and female friendship—perfect for fans of Emily Henry's *Funny Story* and Carley Fortune's *One Golden Summer*.

Perfectionist and former pageant girl Nikki Bennet is looking forward to relaxing at her family's lake house in Georgia for the Fourth of July. Even though it's been two years since she was on the reality dating show *LovedBy*, she still hasn't recovered from finding out on national TV that her fiancé, Aaron, had been dating another woman all along.

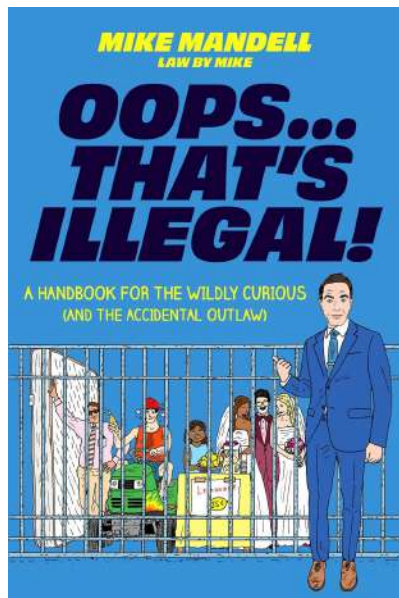
But when she arrives home, her little brother makes a surprise announcement: he's engaged to his girlfriend, Cara—the "other woman" Aaron had been seeing behind Nikki's back. And what's worse? They intend to have the wedding this summer, right here at the lake.

Hoping to stop her brother from making the biggest mistake of his life, Nikki discovers an unlikely ally in Cara's brother, Nate. While their bond begins as shared shock over their siblings' rushed nuptials, it quickly deepens into something more. Nikki knows Nate is completely wrong for her—he's a laidback country boy, she's a driven LA influencer—and yet he's a welcome distraction from the mess of her love life... as well as the growing sense that her family's been hiding something from her, something she may not be ready to hear.

But as fireworks light up the water, can Nikki and Nate really stay focused on preventing this wedding? Or will all the reasons they're *wrong* for each other lead to an even more unlikely love story—their own?

Contributor Bio

Hannah Brown is a television personality, lifestyle expert, and two-time *New York*



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A Handbook for the Wildly Curious (and the Accidental Outlaw)

Mike Mandell

Key Selling Points

SOCIAL MEDIA PROMOTION.

Law by Mike's early video about talking to police officers ("Do you know how fast you were going?") got 2M views overnight (it has 50M views today) and things mushroomed from there. Today, Law By Mike's follower count is up to 28M across all channels:

? TikTok: 11.2 million followers
? YouTube: 15.1 million subscribers
? Instagram: 1.7 million followers
? Facebook: 608k followers

Mike also has a large Spanish-speaking following, with a dedicated Spanish-language channel on each platform Ley De Mike:

? TikTok: 3 million followers
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APPEALING VISUALS/QUIRKY GIFT BOOK FORMAT. Much like Mike's videos, this book will be fast-paced and visually stimulating. No one wants to read a dry legal textbook—not even lawyers! Written in Q&A format, he will break up the text with fun and dynamic visual elements, like pop-up trivia boxes, lists and illustrations.

NATIONAL MEDIA, PODCASTS & INFLUENCER PROMOTION. Law by Mike has been featured in ABC7, NBC LX, Forbes, Cosmo, Newsweek, and other media outlets. Mike has appeared on popular podcasts such as the Wolf of Wall Street: Wolf's Den Podcast, David Meltzer's Office Hours Podcast, and others. Other influencers who can help promote: Daniel Mac (14.3M on Tik Tok) Merrick Hanna (32.9M on TikTok) Erika Kullberg (9.2M on TikTok) Shane Nagy (5.8M on TikTok) Jarred Jermaine (6.4M on TikTok) Ugo Lord (6.9M on TikTok) Ashyi (2.6M on YouTube) Kia Nalbandi (2.2M on TikTok) Pace Morby (833K on TikTok)

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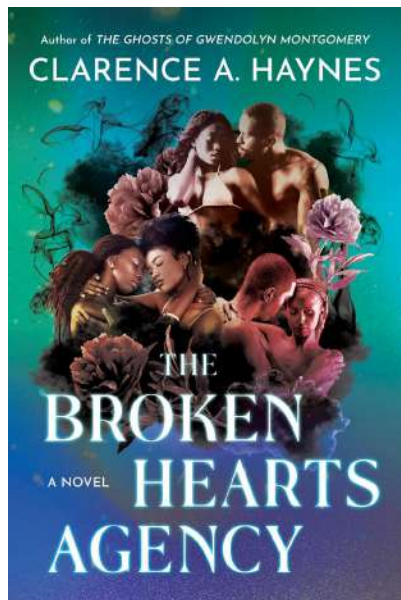
From the popular creator of @LawByMike, a hilarious guide to all your legal questions—from the obscure to the downright absurd.

Could you be arrested if you let your kids have a few sips of wine with dinner? Is it illegal to lie on your dating profile? Can a python be an emotional support animal?

Most people don't know the majority of our country's laws, so they don't know how to avoid breaking them, what their actual rights are, or when they can seek legal recourse. Lawyer Mike Mandell is here to change that, by answering your most burning legal questions ... and some you didn't even know you had!

Oops... That's Illegal! is a book of legal insight from a practicing lawyer who's seen it all. Using the same light-heartedness and humor that made his social account @LawByMike so popular, Mandell covers a wide range of topics from police encounters (Is it illegal to do a U-turn at a DUI checkpoint?) to party fouls (What's the penalty for streaking?) to legal disputes (Can I sue my own lawyer for doing a bad job?).

Funny, informative, and sprinkled with little-known legal facts throughout, *Oops... That's Illegal!* is sure to help even the most upstanding citizens when they come face-to-face with their next legal dilemma.



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A Novel

Clarence A. Haynes

Key Selling Points

BLACK & LATINX FANTASY: Haynes serves up an audience interested in seeing Black and Latinx characters in contemporary fantasy novels. This book is for fans of Sylvia Moreno-Garcia and Alex Jennings, and, due to its romance elements, readers of Tia Williams and Kennedy Ryan may find it appealing as well.

HIGHLY-PRAISED DEBUT: *Kirkus Reviews* described Haynes' first book as, "a strong debut for a new, interesting voice with things to say"; *Publisher's Weekly* said, "Spellbinding solo debut... Dovetailing of external and internal stakes keeps the pages flying. The result is an accomplished urban fantasy that's sure to win Haynes plenty of fans"; and Booklist also called it "compelling."

GROWING CONNECTIONS IN LITERARY WORLD: Haynes' endorsements included a literary fusion of bestselling authors such as Tananarive Due, Diane Marie Brown, and Sarah Beth Durst. We expect more for this novel.

ONGOING INDIE & LIBRARY LOVE: Clarence visited over 50 independent bookstores around the country before the publication of *The Ghosts of Gwendolyn Montgomery* and continues to do talks and workshops at indies and libraries. We look forward to their support for this title.

Summary

In a spicy, contemporary fantasy novel, private investigator Linda Villanueva runs a detective agency for troubled souls using her mystical powers—all while wrestling with her own heart. Cebo Campbell, author of *Sky Full of Elephants*, calls it "Lush, provocative, and deeply human."

AN EVIL FORCE IS FEASTING ON DESIRE.

Evelyn Kendricks is having a day. An overworked manager, she's been dumped by her toxic boyfriend while struggling to cope with the recent ghost invasion that's shocked the world. Devastated, she is mysteriously summoned to an eerie townhouse where she meets Linda Villanueva, a private investigator who runs a secret mystical detective agency. She's able to sense the emotions of others, especially those suffering from heartache.

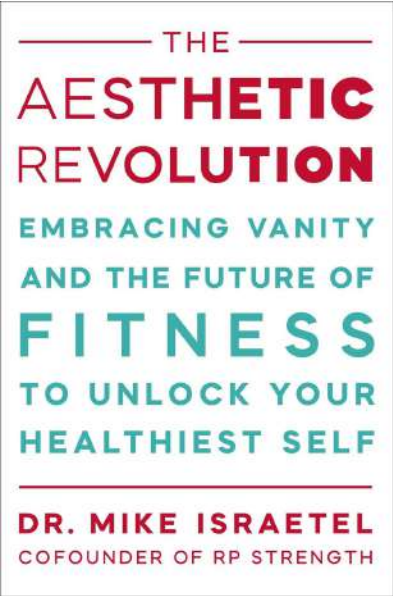
Linda would like nothing more than to help her latest client, but she soon makes a gruesome discovery: People are losing their memories and wandering DC streets in a zombie-like daze. Their eyes, demon red. Their skin, blistered, burning... and no one understands why. Panic has begun to consume the city as more folks succumb, putting Evelyn and other residents at risk.

In the biggest case of her life, Linda follows a trail of clues to unearth an evil force far deadlier than anything she could've imagined. And all the while, she must reckon with the tragedies of her past and the price she's paid for her supernatural gifts.

A layered urban fantasy that serves up spicy romance, titillating mystery, and otherworldly horror, *The Broken Hearts Agency* is the latest page-turner from an acclaimed storyteller.

Contributor Bio

Clarence A. Haynes is the author of *The Ghosts of Gwendolyn Montgomery*. He is



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Embracing Vanity and the Future of Fitness to Unlock Your Healthiest Self

Mike Israetel

Key Selling Points

PLATFORM IN THE MILLIONS, w/ PROOF OF CONCEPT IN THE MARKETPLACE: Dr. Mike has over 4.8 million followers across his personal and Renaissance Periodization accounts (IG: 1.1M, YouTube: 3.8M, TikTok: 336K) to leverage. Jeff Nippard, another influencer in this space, published an instant *New York Times* bestseller in December 2024. We can draft off—and expand upon, given Dr. Mike’s reach—the same playbook Jeff used. Further Jeff & Mike are pals. An “online collaboration” is firmly in play. Return podcast appearances on Chris Williamson and Peter Attia are locks, with ripe opportunities across the manosphere.

SKY’S THE LIMIT RE: ONLINE PROMOTION: Dr. Mike wants this to be a NYT bestseller, and has the requisite drive to do so. Tons of creative videos—Dr. Mike is an expert in self-promotion—can lead to a robust preorder window.

PUBLICITY ANGLES TO MINE OUTSIDE OF CORE AUDIENCE: Dr. Mike will discuss advancements coming down the line that will revolutionize how we think about yourselves and fitness. This opens us to business/science/techpodcasts. Further, Mike wants to empower women as well. If we do our jobs correctly, self-help/empowerment /female-centric podcasts are play, too.

Summary

A bold, counterintuitive manifesto that argues vanity isn’t just okay—it’s an amazing way to build a body and life you love, from popular fitness influencer, cofounder of RP Strength, and PhD in Sports Physiology, Dr. Mike Israetel.

People don’t hit the gym just for health or longevity—they want to look good. And that’s not a bad thing. Chasing aesthetics isn’t shallow; it’s powerful. Loving your appearance unlocks confidence and success, and the pursuit of looking great drives self-assurance and discipline, creating real tangible physical and mental health benefits. *The Aesthetic Revolution* embraces that counterintuitive yet straightforward approach.

Instead of deluding us that change begins in the mind, Dr. Mike Israetel dares us to take concrete steps to transform our bodies so we can more fully love ourselves. With decades of experience in exercise science and practical coaching, he delivers a results-driven roadmap to an aesthetic physique with minimal time investment. No fluff, no gimmicks—just the science-backed truth about how to get lean, muscular, and confident.

The Aesthetic Revolution is an iconoclastic, high-impact book that dares to say what others won’t. We live in vain times. This book doesn’t fight that—it embraces it, flips it, and turns it into the ultimate advantage. It’s for people tired of being told looks don’t matter, when we all know they do.

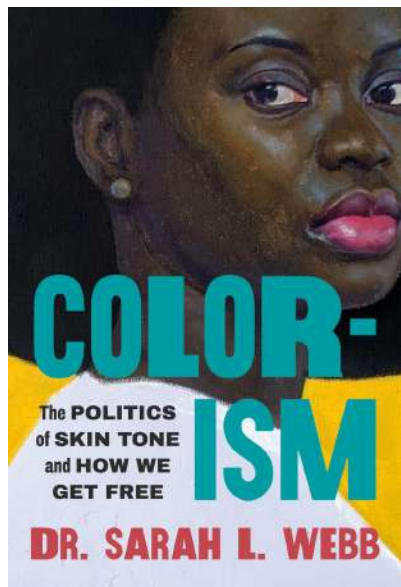
It's time to be vain!

Contributor Bio

Dr. Mike Israetel is Sport Physiologist and a former professor of Exercise and Sport Science. He's a competitive bodybuilder, a Jiu Jitsu Black Belt, an author of multiple books on diet and training, and is the co-founder and chief content officer at RP Strength. You can follow him @drmikeisraetel.

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The Politics of Skin Tone and How We Get Free

Dr. Sarah L. Webb

Key Selling Points

MEDIA COVERAGE: Dr. Webb has been featured on regional NPR stations, Fox Soul TV, the *Illinois Times*, *Forbes.com*, Blavity, The Tavis Smiley Radio Show, MTV, and the TEDx stage. Her consultation clients include Paramount, Levi Strauss & Co., Liberty Mutual Insurance, NASCAR, Forbes, and more. She has a social media reach of over 63k followers across platforms and is in the first cohort of the LinkedIn Creator Accelerator Program.

EXPERT ON THE TOPIC: As the founder of Colorism Healing, Dr. Webb provides coaching and consulting on colorism bias. Her work has been published in major academic journals, including *The Western Journal of Black Studies* and the *Journal of Ethnic & Cultural Diversity in Social Work*, as well as popular media such as *Forbes*, *Black News Tonight* with Marc Lamont Hill, *Balanced Black Girl Podcast*, and MTV's *Love & Hip Hop Atlanta* (as the host and facilitator for a roundtable on race and colorism).

FREQUENT SPEAKER: Dr Webb has given keynotes, webinars, workshops, and trainings on colorism to organization including: the National Association of Social Workers National Conference, College Art Association, Midwestern Conference on Literature, Language, and Media, National Council of Teachers of English Annual Convention, colleges and universities, Humes Preparatory Academy, The Vachel Lindsay Association, *Memoirs of Blacks in Ballet Symposium*, South Asian Heritage Month UK, The Rahm Foundation, Each One Teach One Germany, Chime, Tempe Union High School District Professional Development, ISS Facility Services, Hispanic National Bar Association, United Nations Development Program, Women of Color Unite's "Colorism in Hollywood" event, Local Initiatives Support Corporation, Washington State Employee DEI Conference, and more. She is now working with an agency for bookings.

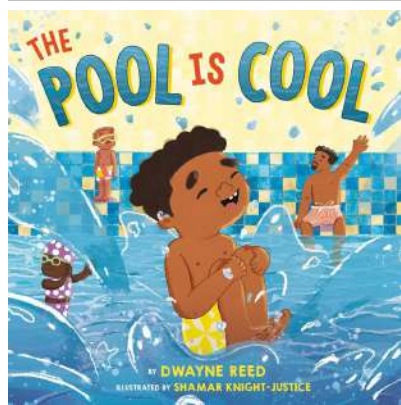
DR. SARAH'S CAFÉ: In conjunction with the book Dr. Webb is launching a membership community that includes private forums, live virtual events, and a monthly subscription box option for coffee/tea, book recommendations, and other curated products.

Summary

The essential primer on colorism, and how each of us has a role in dismantling skin tone bias.

Racism is easy to spot these days; we know its script, its favorite media tropes, its legislative tactics, and how it makes us feel. But there is another societal ill hiding in racism's shadow: colorism. Colorism is a social hierarchy that favors people with lighter skin tones and stigmatizes people with darker skin tones. More than a debate on social media about who's most attractive, colorism frays the fabric of our homes and communities and jeopardizes the lives and livelihoods of individuals most impacted. Dr. Sarah L. Webb's *Colorism* arrives as a fresh perspective on how we move toward a world free from harmful stigma and discord—a more liberated, more loving world.

In *Colorism*, Dr. Sarah shows us how colorism goes unrecognized by most even as it contours our every day lives. She leads us through cultural myths, client testimonies and her own personal stories to demonstrate colorism's global stronghold on communities of color and white communities alike. She dissects how dating and pop culture can be hotbeds of discrimination. And she lifts the veil on how colorism can determine our access to education, work, social services, and politics. Soulfully told and richly informational, *Colorism* rounds out with revisions we can all make to show



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The Pool Is Cool

Dwayne Reed, Shamar Knight-Justice

Key Selling Points

A POIGNANT TWIST ON A COMMON FEAR: Many kids harbor a fear of swimming, but by depicting a father's fear of the water, *The Pool Is Cool* showcases the power of discovering something new and encourages children to be courageous and help others.

YEAR-ROUND PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES: This is a book that can be promoted for Father's Day, Black History Month, and summer vacation, making it the perfect choice for retailers and libraries looking for evergreen titles with a timeless message of empowerment and Black joy.

AUTHOR WITH A PLATFORM: Dwayne already has an amazing reach with kids, teachers, and the media world—and an impressive social media following. He has appeared on *Good Morning America*, MTV's *TRL*, *Windy City Live*, *World News Tonight*, and more.

EDUCATOR NOTES: Poetry, first person, onomatopoeia, repetitive text, rhyming, courage, perseverance, African American, authentic author, family, family stories, new experiences, personal growth, problem & solution, picture book

Summary

This bounce-to-the-beat picture book by America's favorite rapping teacher follows a young son who helps his father overcome his fear of swimming.

Bloop. Dribble. Drip. Drizzle. Splish. Spray. Splash! I'm here with my dad in this cool swimming class! But I can tell something's wrong and that this isn't him, Cuz my dad makes every excuse not to swim. I wish I could convince him THE POOL IS COOL!

With rhyming text and vibrant illustrations that capture the essence of summer, this tender story about a father and son will encourage confident and reluctant swimmers alike to overcome their fears one stroke at a time.

Contributor Bio

Dwayne Reed is America's favorite rapping teacher from Chicago and the author of the picture book *All Good in the Hood* and the Simon B. Rhymin' middle-grade series. He is known for his viral music videos and hit songs, "Welcome to the 4th Grade" and "Welcome to Kindergarten." When he's not writing, rapping, or teaching, Dwayne can be found presenting at educator conferences across the US, or loving on his beautiful wife, Simoné, and their children. He invites you to follow him on Instagram @TeachMrReed.

Shamar Knight-Justice is an illustrator and educator based in Atlanta. He is most content eating pancakes, seeing kids explore their imaginations, and going on long walks with his wife and dog. Shamar invites you to visit him online at shamarknightjustice.com.

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Key Selling Points

PSYCHOLOGICAL HORROR STARRING A HYPNOTIC YOUNG INFLUENCER: A flawed and charismatic young star tries out manifestation to perfect her life, but quickly realizes her newfound powers might have dangerous consequences. This story is filled with delicious gossip and revenge.

MULTIPLE POV's SPIN A LAYERED, SUSPENSEFUL READ: Masterfully told through 6 points of view, this epic web of dark secrets is perfect for fans of *We Were Liars*.

HIGHLY VISIBLE AND BELOVED AUTHOR ON SOCIAL MEDIA: [Wendy Heard](#) is a talented writer and an intuitive self-promoter. She has cultivated strong roots in the crime thriller community and can secure blurbs, early reads, as well as coordinate successful giveaways and creative promo items. She delivers expertly plotted thrillers that break new ground, and is establishing herself as a dependable and inclusive brand amidst a booming genre. As *Crime Reads* put so well: "Wendy Heard writes smart, edgy thrillers that often explore LGBTQ and coming-of-age themes."

EDUCATOR NOTES: Foreshadowing, Thriller, Mystery, Contemporary Fiction, First Person, Third Person, Revenge, Deception

Summary

Perfect for fans of Rory Power and Tiffany D. Jackson, this twisty horror novel follows a magnetic young influencer who gets ensnared in a web of dark, jealousy-fueled magic.

★ "Puts the "cult" back in influencer culture."—*Kirkus Reviews*, starred review

Three years ago, Bella dumped her best friend Kerry to follow her dreams of becoming an influencer. It worked; she is Such a Lucky Girl, famous for her epic manifesting glow-up and dedicated to helping other girls be "lucky," too. She's living the dream—success, sponsorships, and fame. She burned her old life to the ground and never looked back.

Leaving Kerry behind. Alone. Angry.

When Kerry picks up a vintage self-help book on shadow work, she's fascinated by the suggested rituals. Get back at those who have wronged her? Yes, please. She has one person in mind, and that girl is smiling at her millions of followers, having forgotten Kerry long ago. But there's something attached to the book, something dark and ancient, and Kerry and Bella may not be ready for what is about to be unleashed.

Contributor Bio

Wendy Heard is the author of the acclaimed YA novels *We'll Never Tell*, *Dead End Girls*, and *She's Too Pretty to Burn*, which *Kirkus Reviews* praised in a starred review as "a wild and satisfying romp," as well as the adult novels *The Kill Club*, *Hunting Annabelle*, and *You Can Trust Me*. She lives in Los Angeles, her hometown, and enjoys haunting local bookstores and spending time with her little rescue dogs. Readers are invited to enjoy more content via her newsletter at [wendyheard.com](#).

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Key Selling Points

TIMELY TOPICS: *HeartLand* addresses issues of environmentalism/sustainability, food production, poverty/home insecurity, bullying, and youth activism—all through an engaging and voice-driven narrative.

AUTHENTIC REPRESENTATION: The main character is authentically written by an author who identifies as neurodivergent with ADHD. We’ve also heard educators call for more books that represent and/or speak to young readers from rural areas; *HeartLand* is inspired by the author's childhood on a farm in the Midwest, and the book will include an author’s note and other back matter that lends authenticity to the story.

EDUCATOR NOTES: Flashback, Historical Fiction, Coming of Age, Injustice, Overcoming Adversity, Bullying, Conservation & Environment, Family, Family Stories, Farm Stories, Pollution, Rural Life, Diary/Journal, Novels in Verse

Summary

Out of the Dust meets *Me and Marvin Gardens* in this coming-of-age novel about a young misfit searching for the truth of her family's past, set against the backdrop of an environmental cover-up.

Twelve-year-old Xyla is sick of two things: working on her family's sixth-generation Iowa farm and her mother's nagging words, "Pay attention!" But Xyla can't help getting lost in the thoughts that fill her head, which sometimes leaves a wake of costly mistakes. If only her mom would tell her something—*anything*—about her dad, who left when she was little. Then maybe she could run away to live with him.

Xyla's world gets even messier as a new family begins renting a vacant house on the farm, and the daughter is the kind of kid Xyla's mom clearly prefers—focused and motivated. But when the girls stumble across an environmental disaster right next door, Xyla must learn to trust her new friend and her own complicated mother to figure out how to stop it.

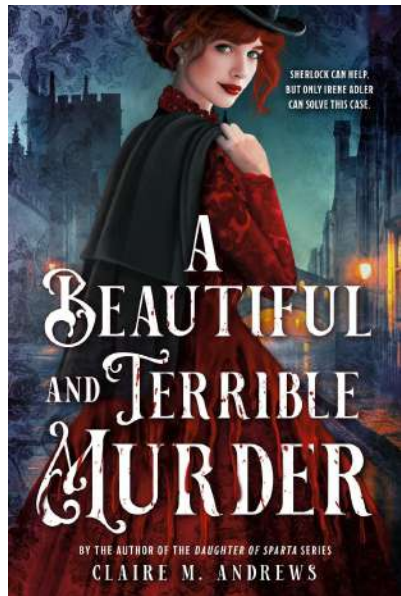
Told in alternating timelines between the past and present, this heartfelt story brings to life a funny, hopeful, unforgettable narrator as she unravels the mysteries of her family and farm.

Contributor Bio

Jilanne Hoffmann is the author of *A River of Dust*, which was an ALA Notable Children's Book, a Bank Street Best Book, and a Junior Library Guild Gold Selection, and *The Ocean's Heart*, which received a starred review from *Kirkus Reviews*. She has a degree in engineering and an MFA in writing and codirected San Francisco’s Kidquake for eight years. Jilanne lives in San Francisco with her family and invites you to visit her online at jilannehoffmann.com.

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Key Selling Points

?RETELLING SUCCESS: Retellings of classic stories have been booming in the YA space, from fairy tales to Greek mythology to the literary canon. This will be an exciting read for fans of the beloved Sherlock Holmes universe, featuring Irene Adler front and center as a strong and compelling female protagonist.

TROPES WE LOVE: YA thrillers continue to thrive in the market. Paired with a dark academia setting and romantic intrigue, this thrilling duology will follow in the footsteps of the author's first series's success.

AUTHOR BACKLIST SPOTLIGHT: The Daughter of Sparta series has been promoted on many YA and book blogs and featured in articles across the web, and has netted tens of thousands of sales across formats.

EDUCATOR NOTES: Classic retellings, historical fiction, mystery, romance, first person, flashback, strong character, conflict with society, corruption of power, determination, greed, identity, injustice, justice, revenge, self-reliance, character education, Europe, family, school stories, siblings, fashion, favorite characters, strong female protagonist, include maps

Summary

Perfect for fans of *Stalking Jack the Ripper*, this historical murder mystery follows the cunning Irene Adler as she teams up with the mysterious Sherlock Holmes to discover who is murdering Oxford's elite students in the All Souls class.

Irene Adler is no ordinary young lady. She's at the top of the ranks in the All Souls cohort, a competitive preparatory class reserved for Oxford's brightest minds. But her peers and professors don't know she's a lady at all. To them, she is Isaac Holland.

Keeping up her disguise gets trickier when All Souls students start dying, one by one. Determined to find out who's responsible for the deaths, Irene—as Isaac—teams up with fellow classmate and roommate Sherlock Holmes to track down clues. Their mission grows more dangerous by the day as someone tries to frame Isaac for the murders, and Irene's own father, Dean Moriarty, begins to threaten her seat in school.

Readers will love following these classic and beloved characters through the twists and turns in the dark halls of Oxford, and discovering what secret lies behind the glitz and glamor of the elite.

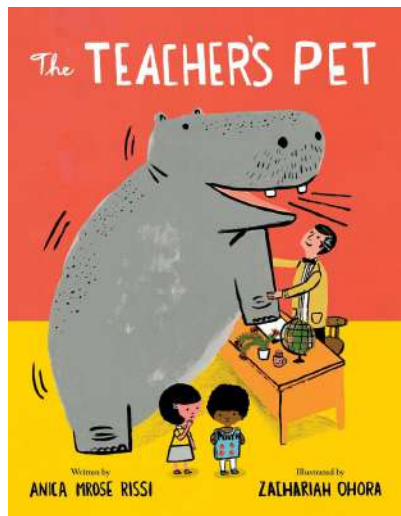
**Irene's investigations continue in:
A Lovely and Deadly Dance (available August 2026!)**

Don't miss the *Daughter of Sparta* series, also by Claire M. Andrews:
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Contributor Bio

Claire M. Andrews was raised in both Alaska and Scotland, but currently lives in Vermont. She is the author of the *Daughter of Sparta* series and the Irene Adler duology and invites you to visit her on Instagram and Twitter at @cmandrewslit.

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Key Selling Points

A HILARIOUS, BOLD NEW COVER: Now in paperback, this edition has an updated cover that puts the hilarious animal humor front and center.

GREAT FOR BACK-TO-SCHOOL AND YEAR ROUND: School stories are constantly appealing, and this one hits all the right notes, giving it the feel of an enduring favorite. Plus, kids will love the role reversal they see on the page as the students have to help out their clueless teacher.

EDUCATOR NOTES: Irony, Animals Stories, Pet Stories, Responsible Decision-making, School Stories, Self-Awareness

BRIGHT, ENERGETIC ILLUSTRATIONS: Zachariah OHora uses a bold, cheerful palette to create memorable characters full of personality, and his interpretation of the mischievous-yet-lovable Bruno adds an additional layer of humor to the story.

Summary

A group of students must convince their teacher to give up their strange, definitely-not-a-tadpole class pet in this laugh-out-loud tale.

When their class tadpoles are big enough, Mr. Stricter tells his students they can keep *just one*. The class chooses Bruno, the smallest of the bunch. But Bruno doesn't stay that way for long. Soon, he's grown into a giant, classroom-wrecking creature: he eats desks, he farts for show-and-tell, and he sneezes slime all over everything! Everyone can see that Bruno is trouble. Everyone except Mr. Stricter.

With their teacher blinded by his love for the pet, the students must step up and take matters into their own heroic hands.

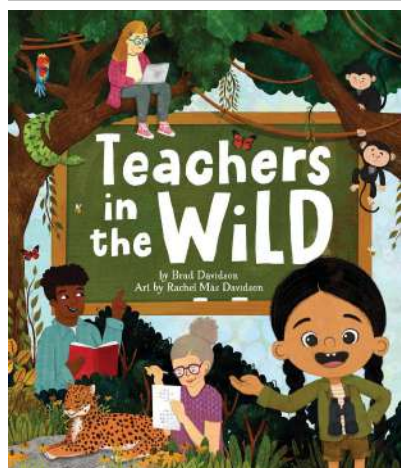
Contributor Bio

Anica Mrose Rissi is the author of *Watch Out for Wolf!*, illustrated by Charles Santoso; *Love, Sophia on the Moon*, illustrated by Mika Song; and the Anna, Banana chapter book series. Anica grew up on an island off the coast of Maine, where she read a lot of books and loved a lot of pets. She now tells and collects stories, makes up songs on her violin, and eats lots of cheese with her friends in Princeton, New Jersey, where she lives with her dog, Arugula. The author invites you to visit her at anicarissi.com and follow her @anicarissi on Instagram.

Zachariah OHora is the illustrator of many books for children including the *New York Times* bestselling book *Wolfie the Bunny* by Ame Dyckman, *Who Wet My Pants?* by Bob Shea, *Horrible Bear* by Ame Dyckman, *Poe Won't Go* by Kelly Dipucchio, and *Read the Book, Lemmings!* by Ame Dyckman. He is the author and illustrator of a number of award-winning books, including *Niblet & Ralph*, *Whale Song*, *My Cousin Momo!*, and more. He is also the creator of the hit PBS show *Carl the Collector*. Zachariah lives in Narberth, PA with his wife and two sons. Visit him online at www.fuzzy.town.

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Teachers in the Wild

Brad Davidson, Rachel Más Davidson

Key Selling Points

BACK-TO-SCHOOL PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITY: Releasing in July, this book is perfect for back-to-school opportunities, especially as kids wonder what their teachers have been doing all summer.

LAUGH-OUT-LOUD HUMOR MAKES THE PERFECT READ ALOUD: Perfect for fans of Peter Brown's *My Teacher Is a Monster (No, I Am Not)*, and told from the hilarious POV of a child posing as a guide, this cheeky and vibrant book will get both kids and teachers giggling.

EDUCATOR NOTES: Humor, Second Person, Change, Community, Imagination Stories, Life Skills, New Experiences, School Stories, Picture Book.

Summary

Discover that teachers are, in fact, just regular people, in this hilarious "field guide" providing tips and advice to children on how to react if they encounter their teachers outside of school.

At some point, you're bound to encounter your teacher in the wild. It's okay to be excited, awkward, or just plain confused. After all, you've never seen them outside of school. But teachers are just like us—they go to the dentist, cheer at soccer games, and take their pets to the vet.

So, don't panic! With these few simple, amusing strategies, you'll be ready to handle any surprise teacher sightings like a pro.

Husband and wife duo Brad Davidson and Rachel Más Davidson explore a hilariously familiar experience in this playful and quirky guide to navigating unexpected encounters with your teacher outside of their natural habitat.

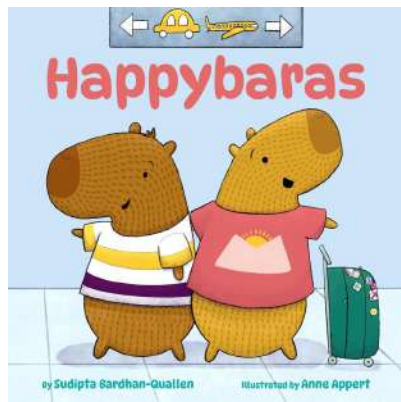
Contributor Bio

Brad Davidson has been a public educator for over seventeen years. He loves when his students spot him in the wild even though his brain sometimes struggles to remember their names. He is the author of *Pocket Full of Sads* which was illustrated by his wife, Rachel. He invites you to visit him at Bradwritesbooks.com

Rachel Más Davidson is a Cuban American illustrator who has illustrated several books for children including *The Helping Sweater* which *School Library Journal* called "a positive and uplifting book with a generous circular ending that young readers will love." She has taught kids art for twelve years as both a public school educator and private art instructor. She invites you to visit her at rachelmasdavidson.com.

Illustrations





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Happybaras

Sudipta Bardhan-Quallen, Anne Appert

Key Selling Points

CAPYBARAS ARE HAVING A MOMENT: These lovable, laid-back rodents are trending! From viral videos to media buzz, capybaras are everywhere. This book taps into their popularity, with articles in the [The New Yorker](#) and [The New York Times](#) about how these animals have captured our hearts!

GREAT PRESCHOOL READ-ALOUD combining wordplay, animals, and humor, this interactive story is perfect for reading aloud at home or in school!

VALUABLE SEL THEMES: The story highlights the relatable “glass half full” vs. “glass half empty” mindsets, making it easy for young readers to connect and empathize with both perspectives!

EDUCATOR NOTES: Adventure, Humor, Animal Stories, Animals, Community, Friendship Stories, New Experiences, Few Words per Page, Picture Book

Summary

A delightfully hilarious buddy comedy starring capybaras! A snap-ybara, madcap-ybara adventure about finding joy even when things don't go to plan.

Two capybara friends are ready to embark on a trip to Alaska! One capybara couldn't be happier packing, flying, and launching into a wide array of activities, while the other capybara ... struggles. Will Unhappybara be able to stop feeling anxious and find the silver lining in this exciting adventure? (Spoiler alert: YES!)

Contributor Bio

Sudipta Bardhan-Quallen is the author of over a dozen picture books, including *Cake vs Pie*, *Pirate Princess*, and *Roxie Loves Adventure*. She is also the author of the popular *Purrrmaids* chapter-book series. She invites you to learn more about her at sudipta.com.

Anne Appert is the Illustrator Coordinator for the NJ chapter of SCBWI. They are also the author-illustrator of *Blob* and *What If You Wish?* and a forthcoming young reader graphic novel entitled *Bright Birds According to L. Ness Monster* with Kids Can Press.

Illustrations





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Lane Clarke

Key Selling Points

CONTEMPORARY YA WITH IMPORTANT THEMES: Lane Clarke effortlessly layers the heavy topics of grief and challenging family relationships with friendship, romance, and hope.

REPRESENTATION: This story is written by a BIPOC author who pulled from her personal experiences being estranged from her mother.

EDUCATOR NOTES: Contemporary Fiction, Realistic Fiction, Narrative, Change, Coming of Age, Determination, Hope, Identity, Journey, Overcoming Adversity, Perseverance, Self-Reliance, African American, Community, Cooking & Food, Dating & Sex, Diverse Families, Family, Family Stories, Foster Care, Friendship Stories, Grief & Loss, LGBTQIA+, Siblings, Sports, Teen Pregnancy, Narrative Writing

Summary

A heartbreaking yet hopeful novel about one girl's journey through grief and the family, first love, and shocking truths she finds on the other side—perfect for fans of Jandy Nelson and *Every Last Word*.

All her life, it's just been sixteen-year-old Skylar and her rockstar dad against the world. But this year, a horrible accident cuts the summer short and upends her life.

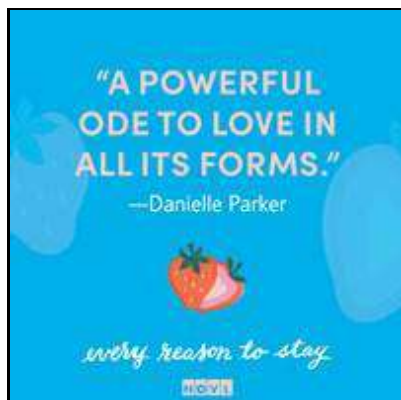
As Skylar grieves her dad, she discovers a huge secret: her mother is still alive. Now, Skylar is uprooted from her home and thrust into a family of strangers on the other side of the country. Furious with the mother who deserted her, she seeks comfort in her baking and decides to enter a local competition with a dazzling prize of a trip to a Parisian pastry school. As she gains her footing in the contest and her new town, she befriends a girl who seems just as lost as her, and she also finds more than friendship in the frustratingly irresistible boy next door. But as Skylar bakes her way to a brighter future, she'll uncover truths about the past in the last place she expected.

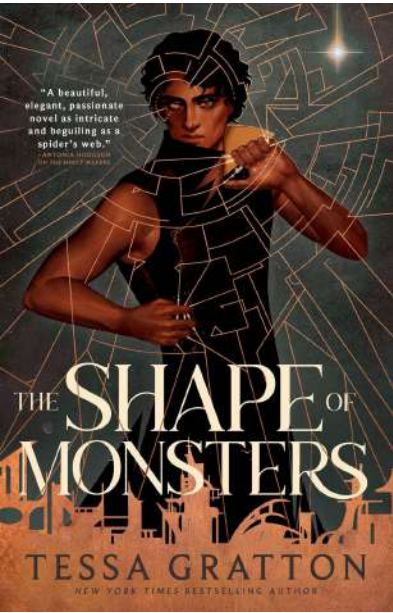
Filled with heaps of emotion, a spoonful of hope, and an unexpected twist of fate, this is a powerful story about the true meaning of home.

Contributor Bio

Lane Clarke is a lawyer, an associate literary agent with Ultra Literary, and the author of *Love Times Infinity*. She lives in Virginia with her husband, daughter, and fur babies.

Illustrations





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The Shape of Monsters

Tessa Gratton

Key Selling Points

ROMANTASY FOR THE EPIC FANTASY READER: This is the perfect book for Orbit's core fantasy reader who wants to try romantasy—but still wants all the hallmarks of an epic fantasy. The central enemies-to-lovers romance is sexy and emotional, and perfectly balanced with political intrigue and lush worldbuilding.

BUILD ON BOOK 1'S SUCCESS: *The Mercy Makers* garnered fantastic blurbs from bestselling and critically acclaimed authors including Jacqueline Carey, C. S. Pacat, Karen Lord, Megan Bannen, and Ellen Kushner, and a starred review from *Publishers Weekly*.

TESSA IS WELL-CONNECTED IN THE INDUSTRY: Tessa has published many critically acclaimed books across YA and adult, and currently writes for the Star Wars: The High Republic series. Authors and reviewers will be eager to support her new series.

Summary

A talented heretic and the emperor she both loathes and loves will learn what monsters are really made of in the second installment of the Moon Heresies trilogy by *New York Times* bestselling author Tessa Gratton.

Iriset—prodigy, outlaw, now sunderer—has broken the Moon-Eater god's prison at the heart of the empire. But the consequences of her actions land her in a city of monsters where the heretical magic of human architecture is freely practiced, and the only person she knows—and can trust—is Lyric, the emperor she's lied to and loved in equal measure.

As scheming kings and capricious gods drive them towards different extremes, they soon realize that to find their way home, they must remake the world ... at the risk of breaking it forever.

Praise for the Moon Heresies trilogy:

"Laced with a vivid sensuality." —Jacqueline Carey, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Kushiel's Dart*

"A beautiful, elegant, passionate novel. A triumph and a delight from start to finish." —Antonia Hodgson, author of *The Raven Scholar*

"Sensual and suspenseful." —*Publishers Weekly*

"A lush story of dangerous intrigue in an intricate and utterly unique world." —C. S. Pacat, author of *Captive Prince*

Contributor Bio

Tessa Gratton is the *New York Times* bestselling author of adult and YA SFF novels and short stories that have been translated into twenty-two languages, nominated twice for the Otherwise Award, and several have been Junior Library Guild Selections. Though she has lived all over the world, she currently resides at the edge of the Kansas prairie with her wife.

Comp Titles

The Mercy Makers	Gratton, Tessa	Orbit	6/17/2025	9780316578790 0316578797	\$19.99 USD	Paperback	Fiction



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Craig DiLouie

Key Selling Points

Established Author: Craig DiLouie is one of the most popular horror authors working today, and his fans will devour this campy, commercial romp.

Horror Series: The horror genre is typically dominated by standalones – this duology, where each book is tied to the season it's publishing in, will stand out in this popular market. We're publishing both books in rapid succession to keep the momentum high for this series.

Humorous and Horrifying: Craig has a gift for combining the horrifying with the humorous, which is a proven formula for success in the genre – authors like Grady Hendrix have built massive fanbases using this style.

Summary

Surviving the massacre is just the beginning in this razor-sharp summer-camp slasher with a bloody twist from horror master Craig DiLouie.

"The Summer Fun Massacre swings back and forth like a bladed, unstoppable pendulum, gory slasher tale to eerie mystery and back again." —New York Times bestselling author Peter Clines

It's 1992, and in the heat of Texas, camp Summer Fun rests by a crystalline lake surrounded by a shady forest. The counselors have set out the kayaks, prepped the kitchens, and refurbished the cabins. Now, on the night before camp begins, a bonfire and the teenage counselors' rites of passage await.

But the camp has a horrifying history. In the '80s, there was a massacre that left a sole survivor. One final girl. The killer never caught.

Deputy Tom Bailey is always on edge this time of year. There are rumors that the woods are haunted. That the killer might one day return. Tom has deeply personal ties to the '80s massacre, and those ties have plagued his dreams.

Then Tom gets a call reporting bloodcurdling screams coming from the camp. The real nightmare is just beginning . . .

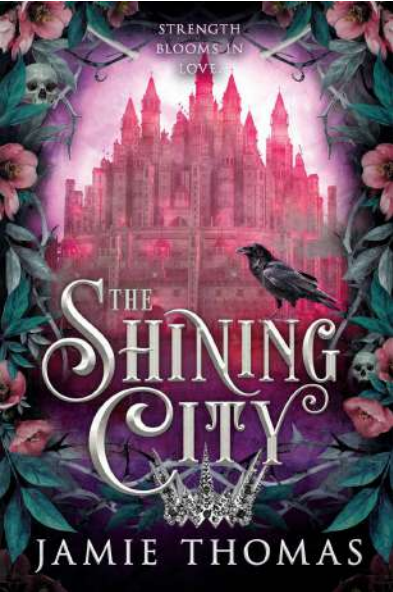
"DiLouie finds horror's heart still beating beneath the cabin floor. An invigorating reminder that nothing ever really ends ... unless you break the cycle." — Andrew F. Sullivan, author of *The Handyman Method*

"Urban legends, a summer camp, teens in peril, and a seemingly unstoppable killer, Craig DiLouie's latest is a brutal exercise in nostalgic horror from an author at the top of his game. Fans of the camp-bound slashers of yesteryear will lose their minds." —Kealan Patrick Burke, Bram Stoker Award-winning author of *Sour Candy* and *Kin*

★ "An exciting and original slasher featuring a terrifying folk horror twist that will drive fans to sign up for the promised second session of Summer Fun Camp in droves." — *Booklist* (starred review)

Contributor Bio

Craig DiLouie is an acclaimed American-Canadian author of horror and other fiction. Formerly a magazine editor and advertising executive, he also works as a journalist and educator covering the North American lighting industry. Craig is a member of the Imaginative Fiction Writers Association, International Thriller Writers and Horror Writers Association. He currently lives in Calgary, Canada, with his partner, Chris Marrs,



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The Shining City

Jamie Thomas

Summary

As they return to Tiralaen, Briony and Elyan must face down their demons once and for all, in this stunning conclusion to the Asperfell trilogy.

After countless trials, Briony, Elyan, and their companions have finally made their way back to Tiralaen. But things are worse here than they could possibly have imagined. King Keric’s soldiers stalk the countryside, hanging any dissenters from his cruel reign. The only refuge is in the neighboring kingdom of Sidonia, but between Briony and safety lies a mountain pass not traversed for hundreds of years.

And Sidonia is a court of vipers. Nobles from across the realms are vying for a claim to the throne. Elyan must rally an army to his banner if he has any hope of reclaiming his homeland, but after so long away, will they heed his call?

As war breaks out across the realms, Briony and Elyan must unlock the true power of her magic. Even if it means sacrificing everything they’ve ever loved. Even if it means tearing down the very kingdom they are hoping to save.

For more from Jamie Thomas, check out:

Asperfell
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Contributor Bio

Jamie Thomas teaches Diploma Programme Language and Literature at an International Baccalaureate school in Tacoma, Washington where she lives in a one hundred and twenty-five-year-old house with her husband, two children, and (according to said husband) too many animals. She also holds a masters degree in vocal performance from the San Francisco Conservatory of Music. Her first adult novel, “The Spirit Collection of Thorne Hall,” was released on February 11, 2025, which she also narrated.

Comp Titles

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Asperfell

Jamie Thomas

Summary

A noblewoman with hidden magic. An exiled prince with dark secrets. Only together can they escape their magical prison and save their realm, in this romantic fantasy novel from Jamie Thomas.

Asperfell, legendary prison of mages, is home to violent criminals and demented spirits. No one has ever left.

Briony, as far as she knows, is neither mage nor spirit. Growing up on a secluded countryside estate, she has spent her life removed from the politics of the capital. But after her father is killed for sedition, the vicious King Keric sentences her to death. Only by slipping through the gate to Asperfell can she save herself. To stay alive, she must find the former crown prince, banished there to die years before. He holds the key to finding their way back home.

What she finds beyond the gate is a world of dark magic and darker secrets. Of cryptic whispers and dangerous mages. And, there in the depths, a bleak and broken man with no interest in being rescued. . . .

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The Forest Kingdom

Jamie Thomas

Summary

A mage and a lost prince journey together in this magical and romantic sequel to *Asperfell*.

Finally free of the prison Asperfell, Briony and Prince Elyan venture northward in search of a rumored cave wherein lies their only hope of returning home to the kingdom of Tiralaen. What they discover instead is an impossible kingdom of opulence and decadence beyond her wildest imagining. Here, an ancient goddess is about to awaken once more, and she has never forgiven Briony’s people for their intrusion into this world, nor the centuries of bloodshed that followed.

Caught in a deadly web of secrets and lies that stretches across generations, Briony holds the fate of two kingdoms in her hands. To leave this new world behind is to condemn its people to anguish and death. But to stay and fight, Briony must abandon her home and everyone she’s ever loved—including Elyan.

To save one kingdom, the other must fall.

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David Nash, Helen Nash

Key Selling Points

POPULAR PUZZLES: Cryptograms are a popular puzzle with wide, lasting appeal — "Cryptograms to Keep You Sharp," for instance, has sold nearly 150,000 copies and is still in print over 20 years after its initial publication. Large print makes this well-loved puzzle type accessible to all.

BRAIN TRAINING: Word games like cryptograms stimulate active brain function — and solving one reveals an interesting quotation, adding an extra layer of fun.

NEW PACKAGE, SAME GREAT PUZZLES: This trade paperback edition preserves all the puzzles of the original version, now updated to lay-flat paperback for a smooth solving experience in an easy-to-shelve package.

Summary

Hard on the brain, easy on the eyes!

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Contributor Bio

Helen Nash is a retired English teacher, longtime quote collector, and puzzle aficionado who has authored eight water-gardening books and compiled several collections of humorous cryptograms for Puzzlewright Press. David Nash is a semi-retired Purdue Industrial Engineer who enjoys playing with his four grandchildren, reading, solving puzzles, and opening the door for canines.

Shawn Kennedy is a game and puzzle designer who has written for 17+ game shows including *Jeopardy!*, *Who Wants to Be a Millionaire*, *The \$100,000 Pyramid*, *Million Dollar Password*, *Idiotest*, *Chain Reaction*, and *Win, Lose or Draw*.

Henry Hook's work is legendary in the puzzle world, and was seen regularly in many publications, including *Games* magazine and the *Boston Globe*. Hook's puzzles are known for their devious themes and diabolical clues.

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STRONG SERIES: The *Absolutely Nasty* series of sudoku and kakuro books are some of Puzzlewright's all-time bestsellers; collectively, the four *Absolutely Nasty Kakuro* books have sold over 180,000 copies to date.

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Summary

For solvers who have dared to come this far—congratulations! Your reward is the roughest, toughest kakuros ever put on paper. Good luck...youll need it!

Contributor Bio

Conceptis Puzzles is the leading number-logic and picture-logic puzzle supplier to magazine, newspaper, book, mobile, game console, and board game providers all over the world. Every day, over 10 million pages with Conceptis puzzles are printed in 40 countries worldwide.

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Key Selling Points

WELL-KNOWN NAMES: The Wall Street Journal brand is highly visible and crossword editor Mike Shenk is a legend among puzzle fans; the puzzles themselves are written by top constructors whose names will be familiar to solvers.

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NEW PACKAGE, SAME GREAT PUZZLES: This trade paperback edition preserves all the puzzles of the original version, now updated to lay-flat paperback for a smooth solving experience in an easy-to-shelve package.

Summary

A fun collection of Sunday-size crosswords from *The Wall Street Journal* —edited by Mike Shenk, a legend among puzzle fans!

Sunday is funday with these 72 challenging crosswords, appearing for the first time in book form! They're all created by a roster of the nation's best constructors and sure to add lots of puzzle-solving entertainment to your weekend.

Contributor Bio

Mike Shenk is a prolific puzzle maker, a former editor of *Games World of Puzzles*, and is one-third of Puzzability, a company that has written many puzzle books and elaborate puzzle extravaganzas for *The New York Times*, among other things. He lives in New York, NY.

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Key Selling Points

POPULAR AND POLISHED: Sudoku remain one of the most widely popular puzzles in the world, and these are top-quality sudoku constructed by a proven expert in the field.

NAME RECOGNITION: The mental_floss brand is well-known to trivia fans and other puzzle lovers, with legions of dedicated online readers.

NEW PACKAGE, SAME GREAT PUZZLES: This trade paperback edition preserves all the puzzles of the original version, now updated to lay-flat paperback for a smooth solving experience in an easy-to-shelve format.

Summary

Enjoy fantastic sudoku puzzles from a renowned expert with this book that every sudoku lover will flip over.

Sudoku super-master Frank Longo and *mental_floss*, the magazine for trivia lovers, bring fans a collection of superb puzzles sure to stimulate the brain. Longos puzzles are always top-notch, and because these increase in difficulty as the book goes along, they're perfect for helping solvers build their skills.

Contributor Bio

Frank Longo creates, fact-checks, and edits crossword puzzles, and also specializes in sudoku, having published more than 150 sudoku books. His books have sold more than 5 million copies. His wide array of titles encompasses both standard and variety sudoku puzzles, and includes *Beyond Black Belt Sudoku*, *Way Beyond Black Belt Sudoku*, *The Nastiest Sudoku Book Ever*, *Pause for Puzzles: Sudoku for Mindfulness*, *Sip & Solve Simple Sudoku*, *Blockbuster Book of Sudoku*, *Puzzlewright Guide to Solving Sudoku* (with Peter Gordon), and *Skill Builder Sudoku* (with Peter Gordon).

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FULL COLOR: With helpful maps and inspirational photos throughout.

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Hit Italy's can't-miss art, sights, and bites in two weeks or less with *Rick Steves Best of Italy!*

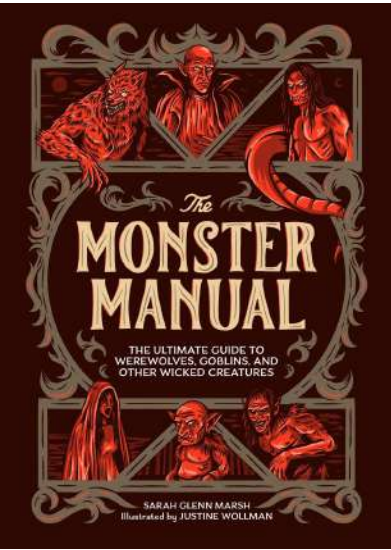
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- **Over 600 full-color pages** with detailed maps and vibrant photos throughout
- **Suggestions for day trips** to Pisa, Civita di Bagnoregio, Verona, and Padua

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Contributor Bio

Since 1973, **Rick Steves** has spent about 100 days a year exploring Europe. His mission: to empower Americans to have European trips that are fun, affordable, and culturally broadening. Rick produces a best-selling guidebook series, a public television series, and a public radio show, and organizes small-group tours that take over 30,000 travelers to Europe annually. He does all of this with the help of more than 100 well-traveled staff members at Rick Steves' Europe in Edmonds, WA (near Seattle). When not on the road, Rick is active in his church and with advocacy groups focused on economic and social justice, drug policy reform, and ending hunger. To recharge, Rick plays piano, relaxes at his family cabin in the Cascade Mountains, and spends time with his son Andy, daughter Jackie, grandsons Atlas and Dashel, and favorite travel partner Shelley. Find out more about Rick at RickSteves.com and on Facebook.



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The Ultimate Guide to Werewolves, Goblins, and Other Wicked Creatures

Sarah Glenn Marsh, Justine Wollman

Key Selling Points

PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE CALENDAR YEAR: Given the "spooky" theme, there is potential for Halloween season tie-ins, as well as other touchpoints (Did you know about National Werewolf Day in February? World Dracula Day in May? Frankenstein Day in August?) all year long.

RPK SPIN ON A POPULAR TOPIC: This is not a monster/folklore story collection, but rather an encyclopedia of scary creatures, that allows RPK to continue publishing books for young enthusiasts (in this case, for those obsessed with beasts and monsters) but with our particular POV.

INTERACTIVE ELEMENTS FOR MAXIMUM ENGAGEMENT: Features quizzes ("What's Your Monster Personality?"), DIY crafts, and monster-spotting tips to make this more than just an encyclopedia of monsters and spooky creatures, and sets it apart from current competitive titles. NOTE: this book is *not* consumable, and readers are directed to answer any quizzes on their own piece of paper.

PERFECT FOR RELUCTANT READERS AND FANS OF GOOSEBUMPS: High-interest topic with short sections, cool illustrations, and digestible facts.

Summary

Unleash your imagination with this rare guide packed full of freaky facts, spine-tingling stats, and wild illustrations of creatures of legend—all gathered by the lost souls who quested for this forbidden knowledge! Perfect for readers who dare to face the dark (with a flashlight and a snack).

Creep through the shadows. Listen for the scratching. Something is out there—and it knows you’re reading this book.

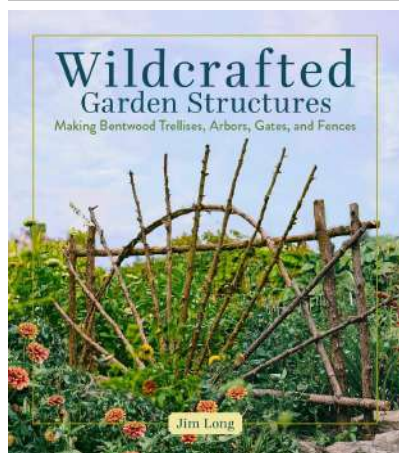
The Monster Manual is not a bedtime story. It’s a field guide to the beasts that slither, skulk, and stalk when the lights go out. Collected by vanished monster-hunters and forbidden to be printed—until now—these pages contain the truth grown-ups won’t admit: monsters are real.

From vampires and goblins to witches and werewolves, this creep-tacular book serves as a guide to the history of monsters and offers information on how/where to find these mythical beings, as well as descriptions and tales of human contact with them over time. Complete with interactive elements like quizzes ("What’s Your Monster Personality?"), activities/crafts (brew a witch’s potion), and survival warnings from those who dared to hunt these creatures down, this compendium is your only hope—should you find yourself face-to-face with something that should not exist.

Contributor Bio

USA Today bestselling author **Sarah Glenn Marsh** has written numerous young adult, middle grade, and picture books. She is also the author of the How to Spot series at Running Press Kids. Her Irish heritage has inspired a love of fairy folklore and fantastical storytelling from a young age. She lives with her husband, daughter, four dogs, several fish, and two birds in Richmond, Virginia. Visit her online at www.sarahglennmarsh.com and let her know if you’ve ever spotted a monster in the wild!

Justine Wollman is an illustrator, designer, and founder of Bad Bean Studio, based in Los Angeles. She blends bold design with expressive illustration and a love of storytelling to create work that connects with audiences of all kinds. Her projects span everything from NFL and concert posters to national park collaborations and brand campaigns, all rooted in bold curiosity and creative problem-solving. Before launching



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Making Bentwood Trellises, Arbors, Gates, and Fences

Jim Long

Key Selling Points

A practical hands-on guide to an age-old craft. Using only a few basic tools, like pruning shears and wire, anyone can learn to make a basic trellis, gate, arbor, or fence. Every step of the process is explained in detail from planning your design, to gathering materials, to construction and installation.

Dozens of design ideas to suit any landscape. As beautiful as they are functional, natural bentwood pieces add appeal to any outdoor space. A variety of decorative ideas and variations along with a list of the best vining plants to add to your finished structures is included to make the most of your finished structures.

A classic idea for a whole new audience. The focus on sustainability and using what's at hand will introduce bentwood projects to a whole new audience. Fresh, four-color photography will inspire the reader to get outside and start making simple and beautiful rustic sculptures.

Summary

Create simple, sustainable, and affordable bentwood projects to beautify your yard.

Nothing combines natural beauty and functionality more gracefully than a rustic bentwood trellis, arbor, gate, or fence for your outdoor space. With clear illustrated step-by-step instructions you'll learn how to collect limbs from a wide variety of native trees as a part of routine pruning and then use those limbs to make beautiful, sturdy bentwood projects. A list of vining plants that grow well on trellises and arbors is also included. In just one day, learn how to make:

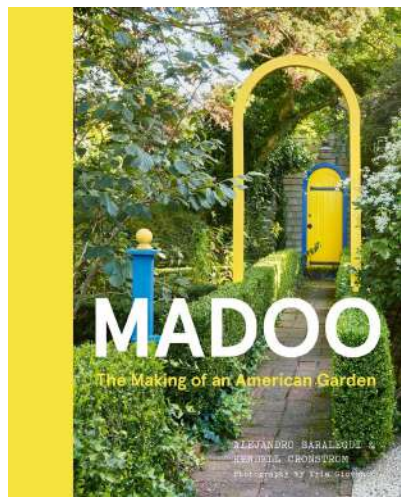
- **Butterfly Trellis** with graceful curves and elegant latticework.
- **Stack of Hearts** trellis reminiscent of the late Victorian era.
- **Gothic Arches** trellis for small-leaved vines.
- **Golden Gate Bridge** fence inspired by the famous San Francisco bridge.
- **Setting Sun** fence that can be made using little wood.

Contributor Bio

Jim Long is a life-long gardener. His gardens at Long Creek Herbs have been featured in *Southern Living*, *Gourmet*, *Better Homes & Gardens*, and nearly a dozen other magazines as well as on HGTV and Discovery Channel. Jim was a featured presenter at Disney's Epcot Garden Fest and was featured on P. Allen Smith's Gardens. Jim has written over two dozen books on herbs and gardening. You can view his gardens on his website at longcreekherbs.com.

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The Making of an American Garden

Alejandro Saralegui, Kendell Cronstrom

Key Selling Points

GORGEOUS PACKAGE: This gift-worthy book is filled with stunning photographs of the gardens and interiors and reproductions of Dash's most garden-adjacent paintings.

MEETS THE ENDURING APPEAL OF THE HAMPTONS: The book celebrates the current splendor of the garden and the Hamptons in general. But it is also a reminder of the simpler, more rustic era during the 60s and 70s, when artists lived and worked in the area.

A LITERARY SALON: Madoo was the meeting place of great poetic and painterly minds, including renowned artists and poets John Ashbery, Fairfield Porter, Willem de Kooning, and James Schuyler. Poet John Koethe described it as "one of the great literary salons of the late-20th century."

Summary

A portrait of an iconoclastic garden in the Hamptons where painter, poet, and self-taught horticulturist Robert Dash created an eclectic plant paradise and a literary and arts salon.

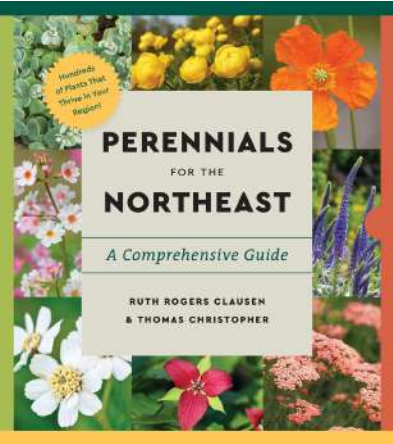
During the 1960s, painter, poet, and gardener Robert Dash set out to create a haven where art and the garden existed in tandem. What began as a fallow farm field over time became a beloved public garden and Hamptons treasure that *The New York Times* has called an "ever-changing masterpiece." *Madoo*, by Alejandro Saralegui and Kendell Cronstrom, is a living tribute to this eclectic, beautiful place. Sumptuously photographed by Tria Giovan, the book is filled with stunning images of interiors and gardens, archival pieces illustrating Madoo's early days, paintings and drawings by Robert Dash, and essays from contributors who have witnessed its evolution. *Madoo* appeals to a broad range of readers infatuated with American culture, the gardens of artists, and the enduring appeal of the Hamptons. "Madoo," which is Old Scots for "my dove," was both Dash's personal haven and a forum for collaborative, creative discourse and critique, marked by the arcadian confluence of art, music, literature, and poetry. It was also a refuge for many famous artists and poets—John Ashbery, Fairfield Porter, Willem de Kooning, James Schuyler, and others—who spent time at Madoo, were deeply inspired by it, and often referenced it in their work.

Since the mid-1960s, Robert Dash has been regarded as an accomplished painter for his depictions of a now all-but-vanished Hamptons landscape. His work has been featured in solo and group exhibitions at institutions such as the Museum of Modern Art, Yale University, and the University of Missouri's Fine Arts Building and is included in the collections of the Modern Art Museum in Munich, the Guggenheim Museum in New York City, the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, the Philadelphia Museum of Fine Arts, and more. His archive of poetry and garden writings was acquired by Yale University's Beinecke Library in 2011.

Contributor Bio

Born and raised in Bronxville, New York, Alejandro Saralegui started his career at the Metropolitan Museum of Art after receiving an undergraduate degree in art history from SUNY Purchase. He worked for art galleries, magazines, and fashion and gardening companies before becoming the executive director of the Madoo Conservancy in 2009. He lives in Bridgehampton, New York.

A native of Minneapolis, Kendell Cronstrom attended Cornell University and the University of Minnesota, where he graduated with a degree in journalism. A longtime magazine editor, he has worked at a host of publications ranging from Vanity Fair to Elle Decor and was the editor in chief of Hamptons Cottages & Gardens for



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Ruth Rogers Clausen, Thomas Christopher

Key Selling Points

ACCESSIBLE INFO FROM EXPERTS: Digestible enough for casual home gardeners, while also appealing to more advanced perennial gardeners who want to seek out and try unfamiliar species and cultivars.

AUTHORS ARE LEADING HORTICULTURALISTS: Both authors are widely respected in the gardening world, and are sought after for teaching and speaking on the subject.

REGIONAL FOCUS: Featuring hundreds of plants suitable for planting in the Northeast, this volume gives gardeners regionally focused advice on what and how to grow.

Summary

Find your perennial joy with this step-by-step guide to growing gorgeous perennials in the Northeast!

The first in a new series, *Perennials for the Northeast* profiles hundreds of the best perennial plants for gardeners in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. There is such beauty in the world of perennials—those hardy, reliable plants that come back on their own, year after year.

With growing information for gardeners, detailed plant profiles including both familiar and lesser-known plants, and intriguing combinations for growing in shade, wet areas, drought, and other climate-wise considerations, this book is a must-have resource for anyone gardening in the Northeast.

Contributor Bio

Ruth Rogers Clausen is the author of *50 Beautiful Deer-Resistant Plants*, and co-author of *Essential Perennials* and *The Proven Winners Garden Book*. She received a Quill and Trowel award from the Garden Writers Association (now Garden Communicators International) and has written for the American Garden Guides series. She is the former horticulture editor for *Country Living Garden* magazine and a long-time contributor to *Country Gardens* magazine. Ruth lectures widely at horticultural conventions and symposia, flower shows, and to garden societies and clubs. In 2017, she was awarded the Garden Media Award by the Perennial Plant Association.

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Key Selling Points

TARGET CONSUMER: For voracious chapter book fans who love the everyday funny, feisty adventures of protagonists like Junie B. Jones, Judy Moody, and Aven Green, as well as readers who like a hint of magic in their stories, like one featuring a half-cat, half-girl. For readers ready to graduate from leveled readers, who are looking for relatable stories (e.g., new school experiences, navigating misunderstandings among friends) that are longer form yet still provide essential art cues to help provide a fluid reading experience.

POWERHOUSE AUTHOR: Julie Murphy is a popular, highly promotable author who writes for all ages. Her books are populated with realistic, empowering characters, and her stories are known for sensitively exploring issues of self-esteem and self-acceptance.

THE PAGE-TURNING APPEAL OF DIARY-DRIVEN STORYTELLING: Early chapter book readers adore stories with diary/journal features, like those featured in the popular Owl Diaries, Unicorn Diaries, and Diary of a Pug series. Catty’s journal offers readers more complex storytelling in a familiar format.

Summary

Julie Murphy, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *Dumplin’*, brings her signature warm positivity and message of empowerment to chapter books, in this series about big-hearted Catty, who just happens to be half-girl, half-cat.

Catty Corner knows that her annual road trips with Grandma Tabby are a guaranteed great time. She also knows that inviting her best friends, Jo and Bebe, will make the trip even more fantastic. So when they hit the road with Grandma Tabby in her RV, Catty is certain it will double the fun. And this year Catty gets to pick their destination: The World’s Largest Ball of Yarn!

But traveling in close quarters can be tough to navigate, especially when Grandma Tabby shares embarrassing stories about Catty or Bebe seems to be keeping a big secret.

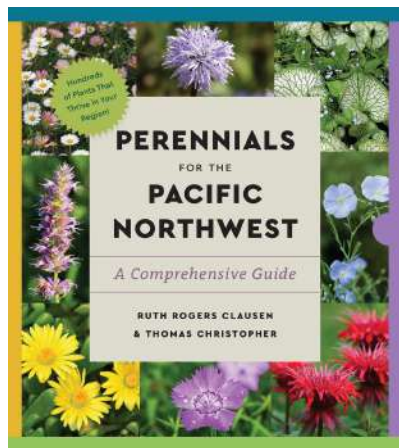
Suddenly Catty is wondering if they’re heading in the entirely wrong direction. Can Catty get the trip back on track before it’s too late?

Contributor Bio

Julie Murphy divides her time between Kansas and Texas, where she lives with her husband who loves her, her dog who adores her, and her cats who tolerate her. After several wonderful years in the library world, Julie now writes full time. When she’s not writing or reliving her reference desk glory days, she can be found watching made-for-TV movies, hunting for the perfect slice of cheese pizza, and planning her next great travel adventure. She is the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of the young adult novels *Dumplin’* (now a film on Netflix), *Puddin’*, *Ramona Blue*, and *Side Effects May Vary*. *Dear Sweet Pea* is her debut middle grade novel, and her picture book debut is *Chubby Bunny*.

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With information on combinations to consider, shade-loving plants, both deer and rabbit-resistant varieties, cultivars that bloom all season long, native plants, plants for wet and dry areas, and varieties well adapted for slopes, this book is a must-have for gardeners interested in growing perennials in the Pacific Northwest.

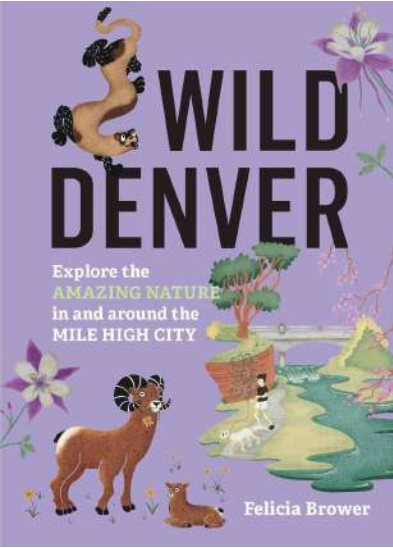
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Explore the Amazing Nature in and around the Mile High City
Felicia Brower

Key Selling Points

LOCAL & TRAVELER APPEAL: Denver, Colorado has long been known worldwide as a naturally gorgeous destination. Nature lovers have moved and are relocating there, tourists travel to it. This detailed and effervescent guide appeals to, at the least, both groups.

A DEPENDABLE, FUN SERIES: Timber Press's Wild Series has provided readers and nature lovers with informative and widely appealing guides for many U.S. cities like Philadelphia and Los Angeles. This book will provide Denver with its chance to shine and continue to sell this series reliably.

KNOWLEDGEABLE AUTHOR WITH A GREAT VOICE AND LOVE FOR HER CITY: Felicia Brower is a Denver local who knows Denver, works to educate its people in sustainable garden design and other nature-centric efforts, and can thoroughly speak to Colorado's abundance of outdoor experiences.

Summary

A vibrant, informative guide to the unexpected nature found in and around Denver

Wild Denver leads readers through the natural history, environments, and phenomenon occurring in Denver, from the lore of Colorado's iconic Dinger the Dinosaur to the impact of the Dust Bowl drought. It takes adventurers on twenty-five exciting field trips that include both popular parks as well as lesser-known hidden gems. Lastly, to help readers from all get the most out of these journeys, it profiles 99 plants, trees, and animals found in and about an hour's drive of this naturally gorgeous city. Whether you're visiting or eager to know a different side of your hometown, *Wild Denver* holds the key to new and exciting experiences.

Contributor Bio

Felicia Brower is a Denver-based author with a penchant for plants and the natural world. She studied Environmental Policy and Planning in college before becoming a writer and technical editor. She's written many articles and has six other books, including several for children encouraging them to get out and connect with nature in hopes that they'll fall in love with it the way she did and never look back. When she's not out in her garden or helping people transform their yards into low-water landscapes through her ecological gardening design company, she's out on a hike keeping her eyes peeled for the plants and animals named in *Wild Denver*.

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Explore the Amazing Nature in and around the Emerald City

Roddy Scheer

Key Selling Points

EXPERT LOCAL AUTHOR: Roddy Scheer is a lifelong Seattlite, a regular contributor to *Seattle Magazine*, and a kayak tour guide of Seattle's inland waterways.

A PRACTICAL GUIDE: Equal parts natural history, field guide, and trip planner, *Wild Seattle* has something for everyone—hikers, parents, and nature lovers. Designed to appeal not only to tourists, but also to the millions of residents looking for new ways to make the most of their city. This is a book that readers will refer to again and again.

DESIGN-FORWARD PACKAGE:

One of the unique factors of the *Wild* series are the cover and interior illustrations, all sourced from a local artist. Additional art includes color photography and custom maps.

Summary

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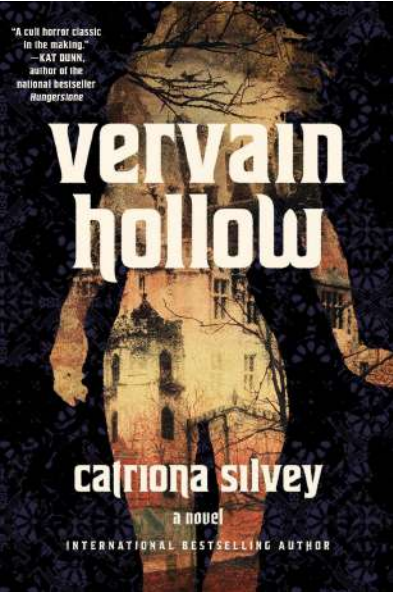
Seattle is a city shaped by nature. Perched between Puget Sound and the Cascade Mountains, it’s a place where forests press against skyscrapers, salmon swim through urban waterways, and bald eagles soar over morning commutes. Despite its reputation for tech and coffee culture, Seattle is also home to an astonishing variety of wildlife, from great blue herons stalking the shallows of Lake Washington to harbor seals basking on Elliott Bay’s docks, and *Wild Seattle* is your guide to it all. Equal parts nature guide and trip planner, *Wild Seattle* unveils the hidden nature in every park and waterway--and even your own neighborhood.

Contributor Bio

Roddy Scheer is a journalist and photographer specializing in environmental issues, the outdoors, and travel. When he is not out in the field taking pictures, Roddy produces *EarthTalk*, a weekly environmental Q&A column syndicated to more than 1,000 news outlets reaching more than 6 million readers. He has served as a regular contributor to *E-The Environmental Magazine*, *Seattle Magazine*, *Northwest Travel*, *American Photo*, *PhotoMedia*, *Wildflower*, and others. His books include *Oregon and Washington’s Roadside Ecology* and *Yellowstone and Grand Teton’s Best Nature Walks*, and *Southwest Canyon Country’s Best Nature Walks*. He is a three-time Society of Professional Journalists “Excellence in Journalism” winner.

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Catriona Silvey

Key Selling Points

INTERNATIONALLY BESTSELLING AUTHOR: Catriona's debut novel *Meet Me in Another Life* (published in 2021) was a #2 Waterstones bestseller in hardcover, and has sold in 14 languages.

A GOTHIC THRILLER CENTERED AROUND A CULT: An exploration of the insidious allure of a charismatic leader and the dynamics of control and manipulation, *Vervain Hollow* will appeal to readers of Rachel Harrison's *Black Sheep* and Marina Enriquez's *Our Share of Night*.

A HAUNTED HOUSE SETTING AND VIVID PROSE: For readers of Daphne du Maurier’s *Rebecca*, *Vervain Hollow* is replete with the all the hallmarks of the Gothic genre that make it an evergreen favorite for fans of all things dark and deadly, including an intense and eerie atmosphere, an enormous 19-century mansion, Vervain himself, ghosts, hauntings, possessions, and gorgeous, evocative writing that transform the macabre and grotesque into lyrical poetry.

Summary

Two years ago, Laura was in a cult. But when the sprawling house in the hollow burned down with Vervain, their strikingly handsome and magnetic leader, trapped inside, Laura had nowhere to go but home. Brokenhearted, she finds herself longing for their lost leader—despite the trauma of that strange and terrifying year, she knows the power he promised her was real. But when her estranged friend, Aliyah, calls to tell her that Daniel, one of the other acolytes, has been lured back to the hollow by a message from Vervain, Laura only hears one thing: He’s still there. As Laura and Aliyah venture back to the house of their nightmares to find the truth, Laura soon realizes that not everything she remembers can be trusted—and that the darkness will do anything to get her back.

Contributor Bio

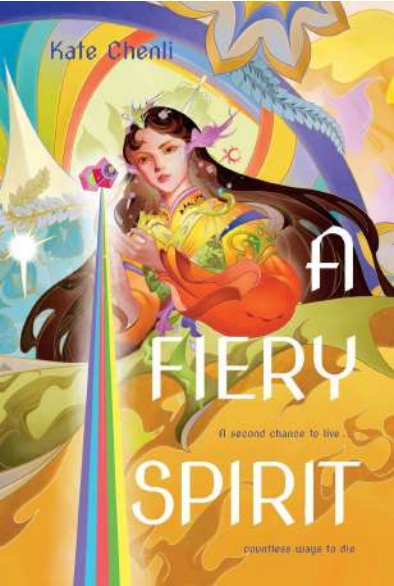
Catriona Silvey is the author of the international bestseller *Meet Me in Another Life*. She was born in Glasgow and grew up in Scotland and England. After collecting an unreasonable number of degrees from the universities of Cambridge, Chicago, and Edinburgh, she settled in Edinburgh where she lives with her husband and children.

Illustrations



Comp Titles

Episode Thirteen	DiLouie, Craig	Run For It	1/24/2023	9780316443104 0316443107	\$19.99 USD	Paperback	Fiction



A Fiery Spirit
A Bright Heart Novel
Kate Chenli

Key Selling Points

TARGET CONSUMER: For fans of lush Chinese mythology like *Six Crimson Cranes* by Elizabeth Lim and *A Magic Steeped in Poison* by Judy I. Lin; fans of court intrigue like *A Crane Among Wolves* by Jane Hur; fans of fierce feminist heroines as in *Iron Widow* by Xiran Jay Zhao and *Strike the Zither* by Joan He.

HIGHLY COMPELLING, ASPIRATIONAL STORYTELLING: The follow-up to a well-received debut that ended with a cliffhanger has all the same appeals as *A Bright Heart*—accessible writing, courtly intrigue, and a vibrant world anchored in Chinese mythology.

FABULOUS COURT INTRIGUE: With evil magical and political forces alike vying for the throne, and a crafty princess in the mix, the story is packed with shifting alliances, manipulation, and betrayals.

STAR-CROSSED ROMANCE: Brilliant, quick-witted Mingshin has vowed to never fall in love again, but after fate brought her and Prince Jieh together, she must decide whether to tell him the truth about her growing magical abilities.

Summary

Even after defeating her murderer, Mingshin should be able to rest and enjoy her second chance at life. But the royal family shaken after the youngest prince's shocking death, and Mingshin is determined to get answers. She soon discovers that he was killed by a magical olfactory-delivered poison that drove him to suicide.

But which dark sorcerer is responsible? The Night Dragon has yet to show his face. Mingshin knows it is only a matter of time before he discovers that she carries the immensely powerful Divine Stone. She already used the stone once to change the world's timeline and cannot imagine what will happen if he uses it to gain power.

As the Night Dragon closes in, Mingshin must decide whether she trusts her friends and the love of her life enough to share the secrets of the powerful stone she is fated to protect.

Contributor Bio

As a Chinese immigrant, **Kate Chenli** is a proud US citizen who also cherishes her Chinese heritage. She has an MS in electrical and computer engineering, but she has always enjoyed designing complex worlds and characters more than designing complex software. Other than reading and writing, her passion is world travel (five continents down and counting). She is the author of *A Bright Heart* and its sequel, *A Fiery Spirit*.

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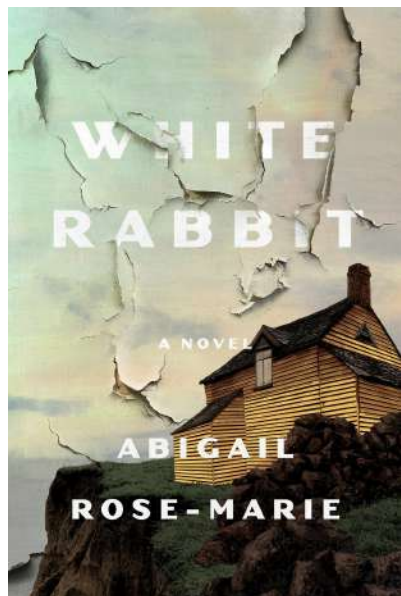
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A Bright Heart	Chenli, Kate	Union Square & Co.	10/17/2023	9781454949923 1454949929	\$18.99 USD	Hardcover	Young Adult Fiction
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The Inheritance Games	Barnes, Jennifer Lynn	Little, Brown Books for Young Readers	7/27/2021	9780759555402 0759555400	\$10.99 USD	Paperback	Young Adult Fiction



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A Novel

Abigail Rose-Marie

Key Selling Points

MOVING STORY FEATURING A BELOVED LITERARY FIGURE: This is a haunting story about childhood, reality vs imagination, grief, and resilience—strong themes on their own, but this book combines them with the unique element of the ghost of the often-venerated, sometimes-misunderstood Sylvia Plath. Readers who resonate with Plath’s work will find similar themes to identify with in this book, and the presence of her ghost will help draw these connections.

A MULTITUDE OF HIGHLY RATED READER REVIEWS: The author’s work clearly resonates with readers—*The Moonflowers* has more than 17.6K ratings on Amazon with an average of 4.4 stars, and it has more than 15.3K on Goodreads with an average of 4.35 stars.

STRONG E-BOOK TRACK: Rose-Marie's most recent book *The Moonflowers* has seen great success in the e-book market, selling more than 34.6K copies. The book was published by Amazon and was promoted heavily through the Kindle First Reads program.

COMPELLING WRITING: In spare yet illustrative writing, Rose-Marie takes us into Penelope’s world with empathy, emotion, and grit. Readers will be drawn in and held tightly.

Summary

A haunting novel in which a girl grapples with her father’s sudden departure and her new companion—the ghost of Sylvia Plath—in a crumbling seaside house that holds more secrets than memories.

In a yellow house perched on the crumbling edge of Massachusetts Bay, eleven-year-old Penelope Willows is living in the shadow of loss. Her father is gone, leaving behind only whispers and shadows, while her mother drifts further away each day, lost in her own grief. Left alone in a home that seems frozen in time, Penelope clings to her routines, counting everything she can—logs by the stove, soup cans in the pantry—hoping to hold the world together.

But this is no ordinary house. It once belonged to the poet Sylvia Plath, and her presence lingers in every corner, her ghost becoming an unexpected companion to Penelope. As the days stretch on, Penelope begins to hear the echoes of Plath’s poetry in the wind, feel her sadness seep into the walls, and see her ghost in the mirrors and empty rooms.

When Penelope’s mother begins to withdraw further into her own world, leaving Penelope more isolated than ever, the girl’s grip on reality starts to fray. Haunted by the absence of her father and the presence of a ghost, Penelope must navigate the treacherous waters of memory, madness, and the fear that she, too, will be lost to the abyss.

Contributor Bio

Abigail Rose-Marie is a writer from Grand Rapids, Michigan. She holds a PhD in creative writing from Ohio University and an MFA from Bowling Green State University. She currently lives with her wife and their very spoiled pets in Utah. She is the author of *The Moonflowers*, and her novel, *Night Work*, in which two female scientists defy societal norms and risk everything to create the first life-saving whooping cough vaccine, is forthcoming from Lake Union.

Illustrations



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All Her Ghosts

Cynthia Prith

Key Selling Points

TARGET AUDIENCE: Readers of grounded myth reimaginings like Alexandra Bracken's *Lore* and Laura Ruby's *Bone Gap*; fans of epic, star-crossed love as in *Our Infinite Fates* by Laura Steven and *Daughter of Smoke and Bone* by Laini Taylor; fans of dark fantasy as in *Kingdom of the Wicked* and *Seven Faceless Saints*.

UNIQUE MYTH REIMAGINING: Drawing on various mythologies about gods of death, the author weaves a story of government conspiracies, the ferocity of another's love, and the monsters that live inside us all, set against a chillingly atmospheric world that mirrors our own.

STAR-CROSSED LOVERS: Unknowingly two halves of the same god, when Persephone and Bas reconnect as teenagers, they rediscover a love so epic that it has transcended time, realms, and corporeal bodies, reminiscent of the deep, enduring love in books by Laura Steven, Rebecca Ross, and Sarah J. Maas.

STUNNING, LYRICAL PROSE: Prith wields lyrical prose like a knife to the heart, paying homage to the myths that inspire her characters by creating a simultaneously dreamy and nightmarish world that weaponizes souls of the dead.

Summary

Persephone Green doesn't have a heartbeat. In a country where the dead has eerily lurked among the living for nearly two decades, even *she* knows its absence is not normal.

In place of her heart, something inhuman stirs, an ancient ocean she discovers twinned in the chest of Sebastian, the charmingly bizarre new student. When they're together, they attract ghosts like a beacon, and when they kiss, white flowers bloom in the dead, autumn ground.

To exhume the truth, Persephone and Bas travel across the Midwest to the deserted facility where it all began. Pursued across state lines by writhing swarms of ghosts, militant government agents, and—maybe worst of all—her mother, they unspool a tangled web of conspiracies. At its center: a divine and devastating truth.

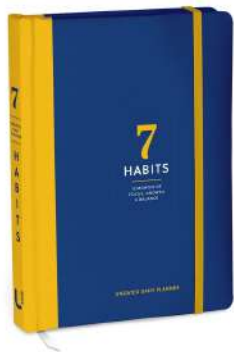
Forced to choose between an imperfect life that's wholly hers or an otherworldly responsibility older than time, the echoes of Persephone's decision will alter the fates of all souls—living and dead—forever.

Contributor Bio

Cynthia Prith is a fantasy author working on becoming a swamp hag in the backwoods of Pennsylvania. She splits her time between writing in her cozy hobbit hole and wandering unique roadside attractions and vintage thrift stores in search of magical curios. *All Her Ghosts* is her young adult debut. She is also the author of the adult series, *The Uncivil Wars*.

Comp Titles

The Wild Huntress	Lloyd-Jones, Emily	Little, Brown Books for Young Readers	10/1/2024	9780316568142	\$19.99 USD	Hardcover	Young Adult Fiction
Your Blood, My Bones	Andrew, Kelly	Scholastic Press	4/2/2024	9781338885071	\$19.99 USD	Hardcover with dust jacket	Young Adult Fiction
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Key Selling Points

TARGET CONSUMER: For fans of *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People*, including FranklinCovey's combined 280K+ combined social media followers, productivity seekers, personal growth enthusiasts, students, teachers, professionals, creatives, leaders, and anyone familiar with or inspired by *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People*.

BUILT ON A BEST-SELLING SERIES: Union Square Gift's 7 Habits Gift collection is based on Stephen Covey's *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People*, one of the most influential and iconic personal development books of all time. Since its publication in 1989, more than 40 million copies have been sold and it has been translated into over 50 languages. This collection will be a practical and approachable companion to the book, with guided prompts to help users actively apply the habits to their daily lives.

PERFECT FOR GIFTING: Thoughtful, inspiring, and beautifully designed, these products make meaningful gifts for anyone in a season of growth or transition. Whether for graduates, colleagues, teachers, or loved ones pursuing intentional change, they are supportive tools that encourage forward momentum...one day at a time.

REFLECTION WITH FLEXIBILITY: This undated planner provides flexibility to start building better habits at any time of the year, pause when needed, and pick up again without wasting a single page. Guided prompts and layout support Covey's 7 Habits to help foster growth, self-awareness, and consistent progress.

Summary

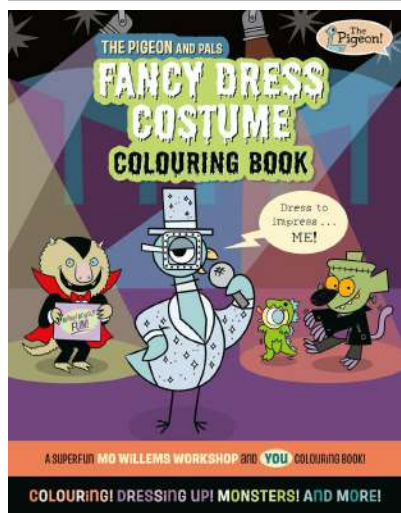
This planner is more than a productivity tool, it's a system for intentional living. Grounded in Stephen Covey's internationally acclaimed 7 Habits framework, the planner helps users move beyond daily to-do lists and into meaningful, purpose-driven planning. With undated weekly and daily pages, built-in tracking, and space for reflection, the layout supports flexible structure without overwhelming rigidity. It's designed for real life, whether it's managing a career, building a business, raising a family, or pursuing personal growth.

Contributor Bio

Dr. Stephen R. Covey passed away in 2012, leaving behind an unmatched legacy of teachings about leadership, time management, effectiveness, success, and love and family. A multimillion-copy bestselling author of self-help and business classics, Dr. Covey strove to help readers recognize the principles that would lead them to personal and professional effectiveness. His seminal work, *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People*, transformed the way people think and act upon their problems with a compelling, logical, and well-defined process.

As an internationally respected leadership authority, family expert, teacher, organizational consultant, and author, his advice gives insight to millions. He sold more than thirty million books (in fifty languages), and *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People* was named the most influential business book of the twentieth century. He was the author of *The 3rd Alternative*, *The 8th Habit*, *The Leader in Me*, *First Things First*, and many other titles. He held an MBA from Harvard and a doctorate from Brigham Young University. He lived with his wife and family in Utah.

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Key Selling Points

TARGET CONSUMER: Perfect for children ages 5 to 8 who are fans of coloring, Halloween, and books by Mo Willems; for young readers looking for a fun and creative narrative-driven coloring and activity book.

PROVEN FORMAT: This coloring book builds on the popularity of previous Mo Willems coloring and activity titles, such as *Don't Let the Pigeon Color This Book!* and *We Are in an ACT-ivity Book!* It is packed with humorous dialogue, surprising activities, and super-fun games and puzzles.

TOP TALENT: Award-winning, bestselling author and illustrator Mo Willems has published over 70 books for children, including 50 *New York Times* best sellers, with more than 31 million books sold in North America alone. His live-action comedy special, *Mo Willems and the Storytime All-Stars Present: Don't Let the Pigeon Do Storytime!*, premiered on HBO Max. His CGI rock opera special, *Naked Mole Rat Gets Dressed: The Underground Rock Experience*, debuted on HBO Max in June 2022. In 2023, Willems founded Hidden Pigeon Company with Stampede Ventures and RedBird Capital Partners.

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Get ready for monstrously fun coloring with your favorite Mo Willems characters!

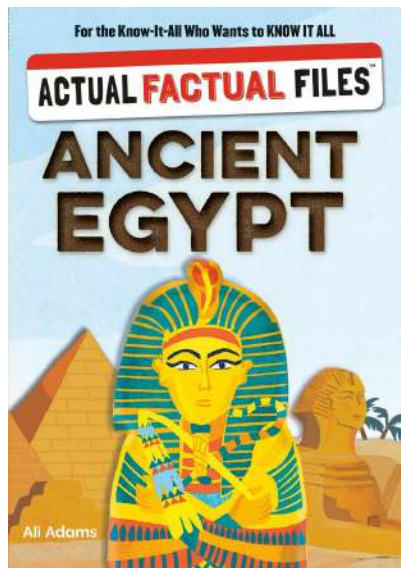
Join The Pigeon, Elephant & Piggie, Leonardo, Busy Creature, Unlimited Squirrels, Knuffle Bunny, and more in this ensemble coloring book from Mo Willems Workshop, packed with characters, costumes, and other dress-up surprises!

Contributor Bio

Mo Willems Workshop is an exciting publishing program featuring fresh content based on Mo Willems' characters and brands, including Elephant & Piggie and The Pigeon, to inspire creativity and spark serious silliness. Mo Willems Workshop is a part of Hidden Pigeon Company, the multiplatform kids and family content company founded by Mo Willems, Stampede Ventures, and RedBird Capital Partners. Mo Willems is a number-one *New York Times* bestselling author and illustrator. He has been awarded three Caldecott Honors and one Eisner Award for his picture books, and two Theodor Seuss Geisel Medals and five Geisel Honors for his celebrated ELEPHANT & PIGGIE early readers.

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ACTUAL FACTUAL FILES: ANCIENT EGYPT has the information that kids want (and need!) to learn about Ancient Egypt in a super-accessible format. This book is full of illustrations, diagrams, and easy-to-follow explanations that will appeal to kids reading for fun and for kids looking for a school report resource.

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Summary

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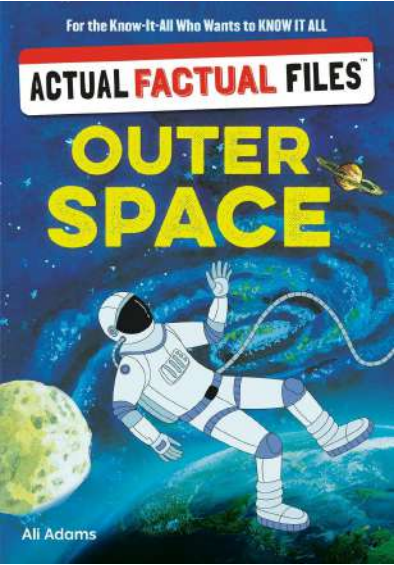
Actual Factual Files is a new nonfiction series for fans of Who/What Is? who are looking for understandable, highly-engaging books on the most popular topics for elementary school readers. Each book in the series stands alone and can be read in any order.

Contributor Bio

Ali Adams is a certified know-it-all who is always on the hunt for fascinating facts to add to her files. Ali's favorite place to be is reading in the library.

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Key Selling Points

ACTUAL FACTUAL FILES: OUTER SPACE has the information that kids want (and need!) to learn about our solar system in a super-accessible format. This book appeals to kids who already know the ins and outs of black holes and dark matter, but also to kids who are just learning outer space basics, plus it is comprehensive enough to use as a school report resource.

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Summary

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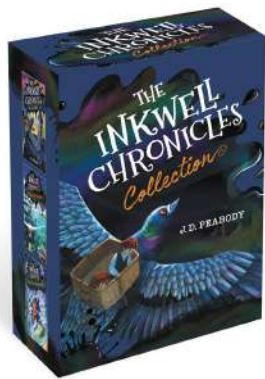
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Contributor Bio

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The Inkwell Chronicles Collection

J. D. Peabody

Key Selling Points

IN-DEMAND GENRE: Compelling storyline and rich worldbuilding will spark readers' imaginations.

WILL PLEASE A BROAD AUDIENCE: Will appeal to fans of *The Bookwanderers* and *Inkheart*. The general appeal combined with allusions to classic Christian literature (C.S. Lewis, Tolkien) makes this a perfect entry point into middle grade fiction for our imprint.

PROMOTIONAL AND MARKETING OPPORTUNITIES: Author is a preaching pastor and successful songwriter with a strong marketing background; content lends itself to teacher and parent guides, creativity prompts, and endless brand-building possibilities.

Summary

Dive into this compelling middle-grade fantasy series that tells a tale of magic ink, a secret society, and a boy who yearns to make his mark, perfect for fans of *Inkheart* and *The Silver Arrow*.

The Inkwell Chronicles is a fast-paced middle-grade fantasy series with compelling story lines, rich worldbuilding, and unforgettable characters. The series follows Everett and his younger sister Bea, whose father has gone missing after a mysterious train crash. As they search for him, the siblings find themselves drawn into a world they didn't know existed and a classic battle of good and evil that pits creativity against the forces that would seek to blot it out for good.

In Book 1, *The Ink of Elspet*, Everett and Bea find a curious pen in their father's belongings, and its magical Ink leads them to a world they never knew existed—one teeming with impossible magic, formidable allies, and villains who are determined to destroy everything they hold dear. Soon, Everett must find a way to tap into the most magical power of all: his courage.

In Book 2, *Race to Krakatoa*, Everett and Bea are drawn even more deeply into the secret world of the Inklings, those who seek to protect the world's rapidly diminishing supply of magic Ink. As the race to control the world's supply of Ink intensifies, signs begin to appear that not is all that it seems and the siblings find themselves in a race against time.

And in Book 3, *Operation Bungaree*, the final book in the series, Everett is separated from the group in an improbable, perilous predicament. As he fights to find his way home, Bea and the other Inklings search for ways to help him as increasingly clever enemy operatives close in from all sides.

Contributor Bio

J. D. Peabody has been honing his storytelling skills since childhood, in contexts as varied as advertising, song lyrics, screenplays and sermons. He is thrilled to have *The Inkwell Chronicles* mark his debut venture into children's literature. He and his wife live in the rainy but beautiful Pacific Northwest. J.D. is also the author of *Perfectly Suited: The Armor of God for the Anxious Mind*.

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Description

She kissed her daughter, turned out the light and entered her own room. Too late to run, she stood frozen as a figure stepped out from behind the door and a hand covered her mouth. Fear was a bomb in her chest ready to explode. Her children. They'd already lost their daddy; they couldn't lose her too.

When young widow **Éilis** disappears in the middle of the night, it is a chilling case for **Detective Lottie Parker**. Since her husband's death, Éilis is all her children have, and Lottie is terrified for the mother's safety.

Then Éilis's body is found wrapped in an unfamiliar yellow dress, and Lottie's fears are confirmed.

Desperate for answers, Lottie discovers that Éilis was a member of a support group for widows. And when **Jennifer**, a friend of Éilis's from the group, is found on a rubbish heap, Lottie vows to get justice.

Lottie learns that Jennifer had lived a reclusive life since her husband died, emerging only for group meetings. But when Lottie questions the other women about Jennifer they fall silent.

Lottie knows the widows are hiding something. Can she uncover the truth?

If you love Karin Slaughter, Robert Dugoni and Rachel Caine, you'll be hooked by this heart-stopping thriller from Patricia Gibney. *Three Widows* will have you gripped until the very last page.

'Patricia Gibney has never let me down. If you want a **thrilling no holds barred** read then this is for you.' Goodreads reviewer, □□□□□

'A compelling and fast paced read that **had me gripped right from the very start and unable to put it down**. It was twisty and unpredictable

Sales Points

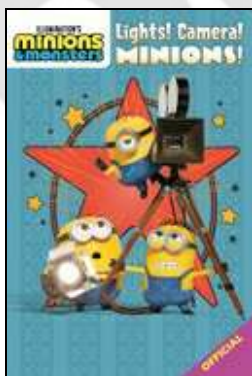
- THE GUILTY GIRL (the previous Lottie Parker book) hit number 4 in the Irish chart and stayed in the Irish top ten for over 5 weeks.
- The series has sold over 2.5 million copies across all formats.
- At time of writing, THE GUILTY GIRL (previous Lottie Parker book) has sold over 4,000 copies through ICM so far.
- THREE WIDOWS has over 8,500 reviews on Amazon UK with a 4.4 star average.

Author Biography

Patricia is the multi-million copy bestselling author of the Detective Lottie Parker series. Patricia lives in the beautiful lake county of Westmeath, in the Irish midlands, close to her three adult children and their families.

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Keynote

Brand-new banana-fuelled fun with the Minions in this official *Minions* book. *Minions and Monsters* in cinemas 7 July, 2026!

Description

Step back into the bonkers, banana-fuelled world of the Minions with this official *Minions & Monsters* movie tie-this storybook adaptation of the film.

Sales Points

- **Official movie tie-in title, timed to capitalise on theatrical release of brand new Minions film: *Minions & Monsters***
The *Minions* franchise remains one of the world's most recognisable and commercially reliable family IPs, with much-hyped new film *Minions 3: Minions & Monsters* launching globally on 7 July, 2026.
- **High quality storybook adaptation of the film, with official film artwork.**
- **Minions / Despicable Me is the number 1 animated franchise in global box office history.**

Author Biography

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Publication date **Wednesday, July 01, 2026**

Price **£7.99 / ₹699**

Main Identifier **9781408377277**

Thema 1.6 **Picture books:
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Picture storybooks:
imagination and play
(YBCS2)
Interest age: from c 3
years (5AC)
For National
Curriculum Early
Years (England and
Wales) (4Z-GB-ACA)
For National
Curriculum Key Stage
1 (England and Wales)
(4Z-GB-ACF)**

CBMC **B3M68**
Age **5-7 years**
Subject **Fiction**
Type **Picture Book**
Character **Character**
Tie In **TV / Film Tie-in**

Binding **Paperback**
Format **228x150**
Extent **32 pages**
Word Count
Series **Minions 3**
Not for Sale **USA**

1st Serial **Refer to Publisher**

2nd Serial **Refer to Publisher**

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Dramatisation
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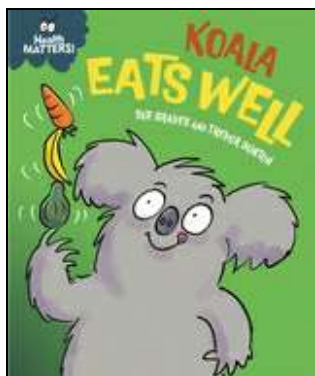
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Publication date	Thursday, July 09, 2026
Price	£12.99 / ₹1150
Main Identifier	9781445197913
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage personal and social topics: Fitness, exercise and healthy eating (YXAB) For National Curriculum Early Years (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACA) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)
CBMC	A3N79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	236x195
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	Full colour
Series	Health Matters
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Koala Eats Well, 9781445197913
Hippo Keeps Clean, 9781445197883
Bear Sleeps Well, 9781445197944
Sloth Exercises, 9781445197982

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Health Matters: Koala Eats Well

Sue Graves (Illustrated By Trevor Dunton)

Keynote

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

Description

***Koala Eats Well* offers a gentle introduction to the concept of a healthy and varied diet for young children.**

In this humorous story, Koala isn't very good at eating healthy food. She only likes sweets and cakes, and she doesn't like trying anything new! But when she feels too tired to have fun with her friends, she decides to try eating different food.

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

The *Health Matters* series of picture books provide a gentle means of promoting concepts of health and well-being, boosting self-esteem and reinforcing good behaviour. Supports the Personal, Social and Emotional Development Area of Learning in the Early Years Foundation Stage, and is also suitable for use with children in KS1 and can be used to discuss citizenship and values. Suitable for children aged 3+.

Sales Points

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

Reviews

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

Author Biography

Sue Graves (Author)

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

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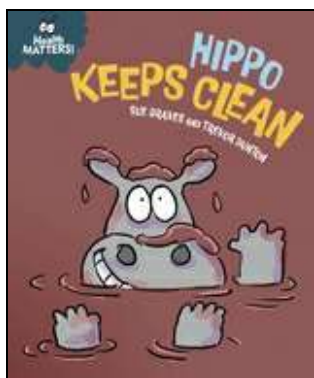
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CBMC	A3N79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	236x195
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	Full colour
Series	Health Matters
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Previous Titles

Koala Eats Well, 9781445197913
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Bear Sleeps Well, 9781445197944
Sloth Exercises, 9781445197982

Health Matters: Hippo Keeps Clean

Sue Graves (Illustrated By Trevor Dunton)

Keynote

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

Description

***Hippo Keeps Clean* offers a gentle introduction to the concept of personal hygiene for young children.**

In this humorous story, Hippo isn't very good at keeping clean. He just really prefers to be dirty! But then he can't enjoy his chocolate cake properly, and he decides to change his ways!

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

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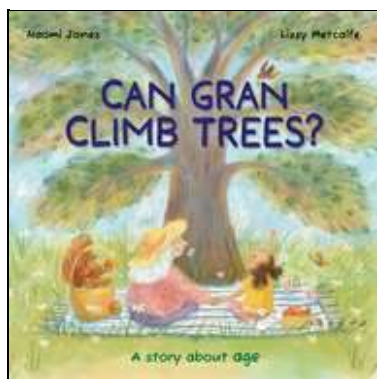
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All Sorts: Can Gran Climb Trees?

Naomi Jones (Illustrated By Lizzy Metcalfe)

Keynote

A fun story about learning about age and appreciating each other

Description

Nia's parents have to work in the holidays so they ask Gran to come and stay. Nia thinks summer won't be fun as surely Gran won't know how to make friendship bracelets or climb trees with her. But Nia's gran surprises her and, together, they discover that you're never too old or too young to have fun and learn new things.

This story is perfectly pitched for 5-7 year olds and supports the PSHE curriculum core theme of relationships, looking at families and respecting others. Includes advice and activity notes for parents, teachers and carers.

Naomi Jones is the author of many acclaimed children's books, including *The Perfect Fit*, *One More Try*, *The Odd Fish*, *How to Catch a Rainbow* and *Thunderboots*. Her books have been published in 20 languages and shortlisted for multiple awards. In 2025, Naomi was shortlisted for the Ruth Rendell Award for services to literacy.

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Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage fiction: Family and home stories (YFN) For primary education (4CD) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF)
CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	245x245
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	All Sorts
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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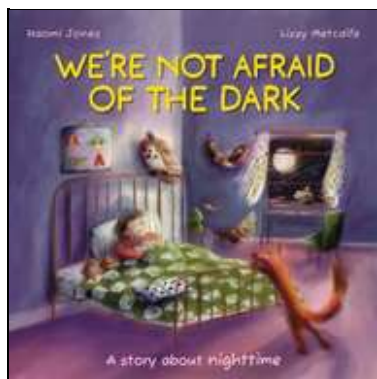
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Thema 1.6	Picture storybooks: bedtime stories, sleep and dreams (YBCS1) For primary education (4CD) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF)
CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	245x245
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	All Sorts
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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All Sorts: We're Not Afraid of the Dark

Naomi Jones (Illustrated By Lizzy Metcalfe)

Keynote

A fun story about nocturnal animals and not being afraid of the dark

Description

Jack is scared of the dark and while trying to get to sleep, he hears odd noises. It's a group of animals who have noticed he seems scared and want to show him why they think the night is the best part of the day. They take him outside on an adventure where he learns all about nocturnal animals and show him that the dark is nothing to be scared of.

This story is perfectly pitched for 5-7 year olds and supports the PSHE curriculum core theme of health and wellbeing and how health is important. It also introduces science information about nocturnal animals. Includes advice and activity notes for parents, teachers and carers.

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Sales Points

- Supports the PSHE curriculum core topic of health and wellbeing, looking at emotions and sleep
- Supports the science curriculum study of nocturnal animals
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Reading Champion: Magic Faraway Tree : A Surprise for Angry Pixie Pink Band 1

Jackie Walter (Illustrated By Amy Zhing)

Keynote

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

Description

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

In this story, things keep appearing at the Angry Pixie's window and he is very cross. Then he gets a surprise!

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

Sales Points

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

Author Biography

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

Publication date	Thursday, July 09, 2026
Price	£6.99 / ₹650
Main Identifier	9781445196589
Thema 1.6	Educational: First / native language: Readers and reading schemes (YPCA21) For primary education (4CD) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF) English (2ACB)
CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	210x148
Depth	10mm
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Silky's Cakes, 9781445196459
Moonface and the Kitten, 9781445196480
Saucepan Man's New Pan, 9781445196541
Dame Washalot's Tub, 9781445196510
Wake Up, Mr Watzisname!, 9781445196602

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher
Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
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Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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Publication date	Thursday, July 09, 2026
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Main Identifier	9781445193793
Thema 1.6	Educational: First / native language: Readers and reading schemes (YPCA 21) For primary education (4CD) Content adapted or suitable for reluctant or struggling readers (children / teenagers) (5AR) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ)
CBMC	C3N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Fiction
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Binding	Hardback
Format	210x148
Extent	24 pages
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Series	Reading Champion
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Previous Titles

Ace Inventors Inc: The Wrong Dimension
 Ace Inventors Inc: A Trip in Time
 Ace Inventors Inc: Body Swap
 Ace Inventors Inc: Mutant Pet
 Ace Inventors Inc: Double Trouble
 Ace Inventors Inc: Brain Drain

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

Reading Champion: Graphics: Ace Inventors: The Wrong Dimension Book band Gold 9

Damian Harvey (Illustrated By Miguel Angel Saez)

Keynote

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

Description

In this story the three kid inventors try their luck at making a rocket to travel across space ... but somehow end up in the wrong dimension - how will they get back home?

Reading Champion Graphic readers is a new strand in the Reading Champion programme. Each story follows the adventures of the same set of characters in exciting comic book form, perfect for encouraging reluctant readers. The books have been book banded to support children's reading in the classroom. The Ace Inventors books have all been banded at book band 9 Gold.

Sales Points

- First graphic novels, perfect for developing reading confidence and encouraging reluctant readers or those that prefer reading comics
- Written in consultation with graphic novel literacy expert Dee Reid
- Inclusive artwork includes one of the main characters with a disability

Author Biography

Damian Harvey (Author)

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

Miguel Angel Saez (Illustrator)

I am an illustrator specializing in children's books, although I have also worked on editorial projects for young adult audiences.

I have published picture books with Thule Ediciones (also as an author), Alaestrella, Tramuntana, etc. In narrative fiction, I have illustrated books for Diquesí Ediciones and Ediciones Jaguar. With the latter, I am currently developing the "Júpiter García" series alongside writer José Carlos Román.



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Main Identifier	9781445193588
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage fiction: Action and adventure stories (YFC) Children's / Teenage general interest: Humour: Funny cartoons and comic strips (YNUC) English (2ACB) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ) Content adapted or suitable for reluctant or struggling readers (children / teenagers) (5AR)

CBMC	C3N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	210x148
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Series	Reading Champion
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

The Shrinking Twins: Lost in the Woods, 9781445193427
 The Shrinking Twins: The Supermarket Disaster, 9781445193458
 The Shrinking Twins: Car Wash Trouble, 9781445193526
 The Shrinking Twins: Pet Problem, 9781445193496
 The Shrinking Twins: Seaside Terror, 9781445193557
 The Shrinking Twins: Museum Horror, 9781445193588

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

Reading Champion: Graphics: The Shrinking Twins: Museum Horror Book band Purple 8

Jackie Walter (Illustrated By Valentina Bandera)

Keynote

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

Description

Join the shrinking twins, Dev and Maya, in this graphic novel adventure as they shrink until they are no bigger than a little finger. In this story, Dev and Maya are on a school trip to the museum when they shrink! How will they escape the Egyptian room when there are mummies, scorpions and scarab beetles scaring them?

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

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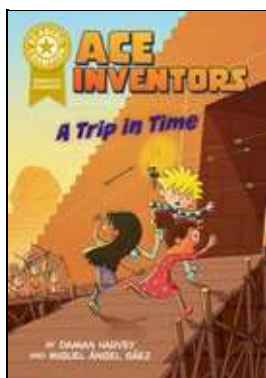
Valentina was born in 1980.

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

She loves trying new tools and new techniques.

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

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Thema 1.6	Educational: First / native language: Readers and reading schemes (YPCA 21) Content adapted or suitable for reluctant or struggling readers (children / teenagers) (5AR) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (42-GB-ACJ)
CBMC	C3N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	210x148
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Series	Reading Champion
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Ace Inventors Inc: The Wrong Dimension
 Ace Inventors Inc: A Trip in Time
 Ace Inventors Inc: Body Swap
 Ace Inventors Inc: Mutant Pet
 Ace Inventors Inc: Double Trouble
 Ace Inventors Inc: Brain Drain

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

Reading Champion: Graphics: Ace Inventors: A Trip in Time

Book band Gold 9

Damian Harvey (Illustrated By Miguel Angel Saez)

Keynote

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

Description

In this story the three inventors have invented a time travel device ... and are stuck in Ancient Egypt!

Reading Champion Graphic readers is a new strand in the Reading Champion programme. Each story follows the adventures of the same set of characters in exciting comic book form, perfect for encouraging reluctant readers. The books have been book banded to support children's reading in the classroom. The Ace Inventors books have all been banded at book band 9 Gold.

Sales Points

- First graphic novels, perfect for developing reading confidence and encouraging reluctant readers or those that prefer reading comics
- Written in consultation with graphic novel literacy expert Dee Reid

Author Biography

Damian Harvey (Author)

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

Miguel Angel Saez (Illustrator)

I am an illustrator specializing in children's books, although I have also worked on editorial projects for young adult audiences.

I have published picture books with Thule Ediciones (also as an author), Alaestrella, Tramuntana, etc. In narrative fiction, I have illustrated books for Diquesí Ediciones and Ediciones Jaguar. With the latter, I am currently developing the "Júpiter García" series alongside writer José Carlos Román.



Reading Champion: Graphics: The Shrinking Twins: Seaside Terror Book band Purple 8

Jackie Walter (Illustrated By Valentina Bandera)

Keynote

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

Description

Join the shrinking twins, Dev and Maya, in this graphic novel adventure as they shrink until they are no bigger than a little finger. In this story, Dev and Maya are at the seaside when they shrink! How will they escape the giant crab and the hungry seagull?

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Sales Points

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

Author Biography

Jackie Walter (Author)

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

Valentina Bandera (Illustrator)

Valentina was born in 1980.

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

She loves trying new tools and new techniques.

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

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CBMC	C3N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject Type	Fiction Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding Format	Hardback 210x148
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Series	Reading Champion
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

The Shrinking Twins: Lost in the Woods, 9781445193427
The Shrinking Twins: The Supermarket Disaster, 9781445193458
The Shrinking Twins: Car Wash Trouble, 9781445193526
The Shrinking Twins: Pet Problem, 9781445193496
The Shrinking Twins: Seaside Terror, 9781445193557
The Shrinking Twins: Museum Horror, 9781445193588

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
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Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher



Publication date	Thursday, July 23, 2026
Price	£9.99 / ₹899
Main Identifier	9781445193984
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage fiction: Action and adventure stories (YFC) Children's / Teenage general interest: Humour: Funny cartoons and comic strips (YNUC) English (2ACB) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ) Content adapted or suitable for reluctant or struggling readers (children / teenagers) (5AR)
CBMC	C3N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	210x148
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Series	Reading Champion
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Mythical Creature Cadets: The Fire Highlands
 Mythical Creature Cadets: The Water Caverns
 Mythical Creature Cadets: The Stone Valley
 Mythical Creature Cadets: The Mind Meadow
 Mythical Creature Cadets: The Fantasy Forest
 Mythical Creature Cadets: The Ice Mountains

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

Reading Champion: Graphics: Mythical Creature Cadets: The Fire Highlands Book band White 10

Adam Bushnell (Illustrated By Alan Brown)

Keynote

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

Description

Join the cadets Mira, Jay, Kai and Luna in Mythic Park as they learn to look after the mythical creatures that live there. In this story, the cadets are checking the dragon eggs in the fire highlands when a dragon egg rolls away! How can they get it back?

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Sales Points

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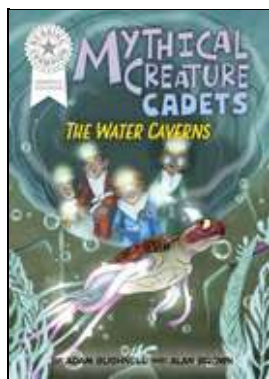
Author Biography

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Alan Brown (Illustrator)

Alan is a freelance artist who started out as a storyboard artist for a London agency, before going back to his roots in the North East to pursue a career in graphic design. Alan's love has always been illustration, so 13 years on, via a stint as a tattoo artist he arrived back at illustration. Alan has been fortunate to work on a variety of jobs. He can turn his hand to many styles to suit the client, but with a keen interest in the comic book world he is at home working on bold graphic pieces and strip work. Working from an attic studio along with his trusty side kick, Ollie the miniature schnauzer (miniature in size, giant in personality and appetite), and his two sons Wilf and Teddy.



Reading Champion: Graphics: Mythical Creature Cadets: The Water Caverns Book band White 10

Adam Bushnell (Illustrated By Alan Brown)

Keynote

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

Description

Join the cadets Mira, Jay, Kai and Luna in Mythic Park as they learn to look after the mythical creatures that live there. In this story, the cadets are checking the lagoon in the water caverns when a lantern turtle bursts out of the murky water. Why has the algae stopped glowing, and how can the cadets restore the lagoon?

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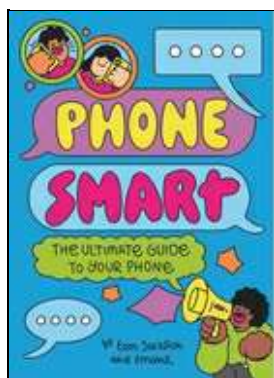
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CBMC	C3N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	210x148
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Series	Reading Champion
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Mythical Creature Cadets: The Fire Highlands
 Mythical Creature Cadets: The Water Caverns
 Mythical Creature Cadets: The Stone Valley
 Mythical Creature Cadets: The Mind Meadow
 Mythical Creature Cadets: The Fantasy Forest
 Mythical Creature Cadets: The Ice Mountains

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



Publication date	Thursday, July 23, 2026
Price	£9.99 / ₹899
Main Identifier	9781445195643
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Computing and Information Technology (YNTC) Interest age: from c 9 years (5AK) For primary education (4CD)
CBMC	D5N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	181x129
Depth	10mm
Extent	96 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

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Phone Smart

Tom Jackson (Illustrated By Emans)

Keynote

A pocket-sized guide to being phone smart from technology expert and consultant, Tom Jackson

Description

Whether you've just got your first phone or had a new one, this book will lead you through how your phone works, how to look after it, and how to be safe and thoughtful as you use it. Your new phone is a computer, a camera, a sound system and communicator all rolled in to one-and small enough to fit in your pocket. But you knew all that already! So, what else do you need to know? Where to download apps? How behave online? And what about phishing, trolling and bots? The answers to all this and more are in this handy guide.

Find out how to manage your phone settings and apps, have fun and keep safe. Learn how to take the best photos, play some games, do homework and get creative, as well as know how to control your privacy and avoid or deal with cyberbullying.

The advice is relevant for all phone users, whatever make or model you might have, and whether it's your first phone or not. Suitable for readers age 9+.

Written by expert author and father of two, Tom Jackson. The consultant, Dr Angharad Rudkin, is a child psychologist researching the role that technology has on children and family dynamics

Includes vibrant, modern illustrations from graffiti-style artist Emans.

Sales Points

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Author Biography

Tom Jackson (Author)

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

Emans (Illustrator)

Emanuele, known as Emans, is an artist whose creative journey began with graffiti in Rome and expanded into a diverse exploration of visual art.

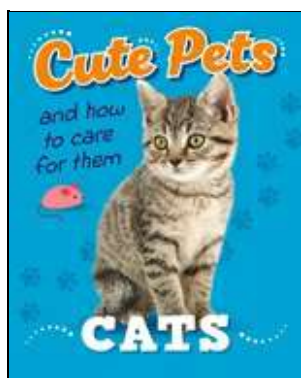
After studying graphic design in Buenos Aires, he developed a passion for illustration and muralism, creating vibrant and intricate works that reflect the complexity of modern society.

Returning to Rome in 2021, Emans has focused on capturing human emotions and stories through his art. His extravagant and vivid characters are a hallmark of his work, blending elements of traditional art with a dynamic street style. Emans finds inspiration in everyday life.

His distinctive approach has attracted collaborations with major international brands, including Apple, Adobe, Nike, and his art has been featured in renowned publications like 'The Washington Post' and 'Cosmopolitan'. Emans continues to push the boundaries of his craft, creating art that resonates with diverse audiences and explores the intersections of culture, identity, and expression.

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Main Identifier	9781445192383
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Pets and pet care (YNNH) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ) Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH)
CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	265x210
Depth	10mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Cute Pets! And How to Care For Them
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

July 2026

Cute Pets: Cats
Cute Pets: Dogs

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Cute Pets! And How to Care For Them: Cats

Judith Heneghan

Keynote

Find out all about fluffy, playful cats and how to look after them

Description

Find out all about fluffy, playful cats and how to look after them

Cats make great pets! Find out all about how to look after them, from diet and grooming to exercise and play.

These friendly guides offer aspiring pet-owners - as well as children who just love to read about sweet, furry animals - all they need to know about looking after a new pet. From choosing the right pet, to giving it the right environment to live in, to grooming and playtime, each book offers sensible, age-appropriate guidance to young pet-owners. The text has been checked by a vet consultant.

Perfect for young animal-lovers aged 7 and up.

Contents:

Is a cat the right pet for me? / Get ready ... / Settling in / Food and water / Keeping clean / Good grooming / Playtime! / On the prowl / Staying safe / Vet check / Going away / Getting older / Best friends

Books in the series:

Cats / Dogs / Guinea Pigs / Hamsters / Rabbits / Ponies

Sales Points

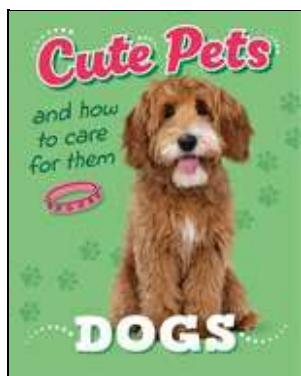
- Will appeal to all kids who love animals, as well as aspiring pet-owners
- Features lots of very cute photos of pets in action
- Text has been checked by a vet

Summary of Contents

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Author Biography

Judith Heneghan writes fiction and non-fiction for children. She runs the MA Writing for Children at the University of Winchester. Judith has four teenage children, a labrador, a snake and a gecko.



Publication date	Thursday, July 23, 2026
Price	£8.99 / ₹799
Main Identifier	9781445192406
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Pets and pet care (YNNH) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ) Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH)
CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	265x210
Depth	10mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Cute Pets! And How to Care For Them
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

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Contents

Is a dog the right pet for me? / Get ready ... / Settling in / Food and water / Keeping clean / Good grooming/ Playtime! / Training fun / Go for a walk / Vet check / Going away / Getting older / Best friends

Books in the series:

Cats/ Dogs / Guinea Pigs / Hamsters / Rabbits / Ponies

Sales Points

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Publication date	Thursday, July 02, 2026
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Main Identifier	9781444967364
Thema 1.6	Picture storybooks: imagination and play (YBCS2) For National Curriculum Early Years (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACA)
	Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)

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

Binding	Hardback
Format	295x240
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
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Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
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Beast Meets Stick

Emily Ann Davison (Illustrated By Marion Deuchars)

Keynote

A brilliantly funny picture book about finding fun in the simplest of things, and the joys that come with imaginative play.

Description

Meet Beast.

Beast is bored of his sludgy, slimy swamp, until one day he finds a strange knobbly thing . . . A STICK!

Now that Beast has Stick, his days of boredom are over. With a stick in hand, the magic is endless - making patterns in slime, playing music, casting spells and even flying... but there are some things a stick just can't do.

Discover the magic of creativity and the power of imaginative play in this colourful picture book romp, perfect for every little beast that has ever gotten BORED, BORED, BORED.

Sales Points

- A delightfully funny picture book about the power of perspective, imagination and making the most of what you've got
- With bold and colourful illustrations by the award-winning Marion Deuchars
- Marion Deuchars' picture books have been translated into over 20 languages and sold in over 25 countries.

Author Biography

Emily Ann Davison (Author)

Emily Ann Davison is a children's author. Her debut picture book, 'Every Bunny is a Yoga Bunny' published in March 2022. Emily was born in the North-West of England and, as a child, loved to scribble down stories and poems. She graduated with a degree in Psychology at Loughborough University and went on to train as an Early Years teacher at Aberystwyth University. Emily has a keen interest in children's development and promoting emotional wellbeing. After working with young children for many years, she discovered a love of children's books and began writing her own. Her debut picture book, Every Bunny is a Yoga Bunny, will be published by Nosy Crow in 2022, with another text to follow from Andersen Press in 2023.

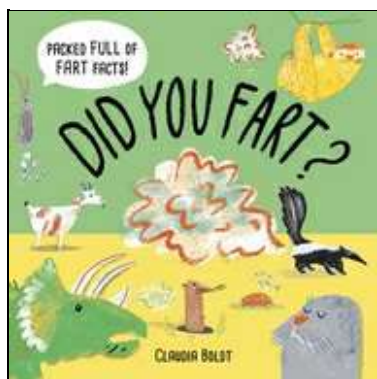
When she isn't writing, Emily can be found tinkling on the piano or at her local primary school, where she helps with reading. She is a graduate of the Golden Egg Academy and now lives in the Garden of England, Kent, with her husband and daughter.

Marion Deuchars (Illustrator)

Author of the best-selling Let's Make Some Great Art series, Marion Deuchars has a globally recognisable illustration style. Her hand-lettering and illustrations have been used on advertising campaigns from Samsung to HP, and her books have won six awards for design and illustration. She is a member of the Alliance Graphique Internationale.

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CBMC	A5M79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Picture Book
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	180x180
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; Carib; S Am; USA

Previous Titles

Who Did This Poo?

Did You Fart?

Claudia Boldt

Keynote

A bright and funny picture book packed with different kinds of animal farts - even your own!

Description

Did you know that ferrets often fart right next to their own heads? Or that horses can't burp at all, so they need to fart all their gas out? Which animal produces the BIGGEST farts? Why are seal farts considered the stinkiest? Discover all this and more with *Did You Fart?*

Packed with hilarious illustrations and fascinating farty facts, this fun and slightly irreverent book adapted from the bestselling card game will have little readers laughing while they learn.

Sales Points

- A book adaptation of the popular matching card game, following on from the adaptation of *Who Did This Poo?* in Summer 2025.
- A fun and accessible approach to popular topics with children - animals and farts!
- Whimsically illustrated by award-winning artist Claudia Boldt

Author Biography

Claudia Boldt is a German illustrator based in London, UK. She attended the Glasgow School of Art, and then Kingston University, London, where she graduated in 2007 with a Masters in Illustration. Claudia was a winner of the Booktrust Best New Illustrators Award. She is the co-founder of children's newspaper *The Loop*.

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Minions & Monsters: Illustrated Storybook Official Movie Tie-In

Official Minions

Keynote

Brand-new banana-fuelled fun with the Minions in this official *Minions* book. *Minions and Monsters* in cinemas 7 July, 2026!

Description

Step back into the bonkers, banana-fuelled world of the Minions with this official *Minions & Monsters* movie tie-in illustrated storybook.

Sales Points

- **Official movie tie-in title, timed to capitalise on theatrical release of brand new Minions film: *Minions & Monsters***
The *Minions* franchise remains one of the world's most recognisable and commercially reliable family IPs, with much-hyped new film *Minions 3: Minions & Monsters* launching globally on 7 July, 2026.
- **High quality 'Little Golden Book' format with bespoke artwork and adaptation of movie.**
***No LGB branding - see *Wicked: I Am Elphaba*, etc. as example.**
- **Minions / Despicable Me is the number 1 animated franchise in global box office history.**

Author Biography

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Publication date **Wednesday, July 01, 2026**

Price **£6.99 / ₹650**

Main Identifier **9781408378830**

CBMC **A3M68**

Age **0-5 years**

Subject **Fiction**

Type **Picture Book**

Character **Character**

Tie In **TV / Film Tie-in**

Binding **Hardback**

Format **203x163**

Extent **24 pages**

Word Count

Series **Minions 3**

Not for Sale **USA**

1st Serial **Refer to Publisher**

2nd Serial **Refer to Publisher**

Audio **Refer to Publisher**

Dramatisation and documentary **Refer to Publisher**

Electronic **Refer to Publisher**

Film and TV **Refer to Publisher**

Large print **Refer to Publisher**

Podcast **Refer to Publisher**

Translation **Refer to Publisher**

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

US **Refer to Publisher**

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This is the Girl

Robert Starling

Keynote

An evocative and atmospheric picture book about a young girl who sets sail in search of a different kind of treasure . . .

Description

***This is the girl who was left on the shore,
Given so little, yearning for more.
This is the boat she dragged out to sea,
Scruffy and scratched but strong as can be...***

***This is the story** of a daring young girl who lives in a fishing village with her nana and little cat. Every day, villagers see her set out to sea on a small green boat - cat in tow - and every night, they watch her return home, empty-handed. But though her knapsack is empty, and her pockets are bare, this is a girl who has found the greatest treasure of all . . .*

A heartwarming story about embracing adventure and treasuring memories that will stay with you long after the final page.

Sales Points

- An evocative story about embracing adventure and making memories
- The first picture book from author-illustrator Robert Starling in his distinct new style
- Robert Starling's books have been translated into 20 languages and his debut *Fergal is Fuming* was shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize 2018
- Stars a strong female protagonist with a sense of adventure at the heart of the text
- Captures the wonder of children's imagination and curiosity

Author Biography

Robert started doodling characters when he was little, and just kind of kept going, filling paper, sketchbooks and school exercise books along the way. His books have been translated into twenty languages, and his debut, *Fergal is Fuming!*, was shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Award.

Publication date	Thursday, July 02, 2026
Price	£7.99 / ₹699
Main Identifier	9781408373163
Thema 1.6	Picture storybooks (YBCS For National Curriculum Early Years (England and Wales (4Z-GB-ACA Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC

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

Binding	Paperback
Format	275x250
Depth	6mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher
Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
Large print	Refer to Publisher
Podcast	Refer to Publisher
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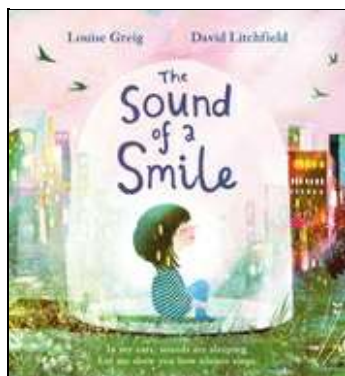
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The Sound of a Smile

Louise Greig (Illustrated By David Litchfield)

Keynote

A beautiful portrayal of deafness, friendship and the universal ways in which we all communicate, from award-winning duo, poet Louise Greig and illustrator David Litchfield.

Description

A stunning illustrated children's book exploring deafness, friendship and the universal ways in which we all communicate.

One girl can't hear the noisy world around her. In her ears, those sounds are sleeping. But she has found sounds that are hiding . . .

Between the notes of a song.

Between the beats of a wing.

Between those sounds are my sounds.

And I listen.

What if someone in the noisy world listened to the beauty and magic of the silent things, too? Perhaps they might discover the sound of a smile - or even better, the sound of a friend.

Through this beautiful and heartwarming story, author and poet Louise Greig has drawn from her own experience to portray a world where silence sings. Brought to life with stunning illustrations from David Litchfield (*The Bear and the Piano*), this is a book that encourages us all to put language barriers aside and come together in friendship.

Sales Points

- A thought-provoking celebration of friendship, communication and different perspectives, this is an important picture book for both hearing and deaf children
- Louise Greig is an award-winning poet who became deaf as an adult. Her adaptation of *The Little Prince* has been translated into 19 languages
- Brought to life with breathtakingly vibrant and sensitive illustrations from award-winning David Litchfield, creator of numerous bestselling and award-winning books including *The Bear and the Piano*, which has sold in over 25 languages

Author Biography

Louise Greig (Author)

Louise Greig is an award-winning writer whose early years were spent near Glasgow, dominated by a love of animals and horse riding. She completed her school years in Aberdeen and embarked on a career as an air stewardess before progressive deafness forced her to seek new opportunities.

Having always had a love of poetry, Louise started writing in 2014, prompted by an advertisement for a poetry competition. Her children's picture books have been shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize and the Klaus Flugge Prize. *Sweep!* was nominated for the Kate Greenaway Medal and her adaptation of *The Little Prince* has been translated into over 20 languages.

David Litchfield (Illustrator)

David Litchfield first started to draw when he was very young, creating comics for his older brother and sister. Since then his work has appeared in magazines, newspapers, books and on T-shirts. David's first picture book *The Bear and the Piano* won the Waterstones Children's Book Prize. He lives in Bedfordshire.

Publication date	Thursday, July 16, 2026
Price	£14.99 / ₹1350
Main Identifier	9781408365489
Thema 1.6	Picture storybooks (YBCS) Children's / Teenage personal and social topics: Friends and friendships (YXHB) Children's / Teenage personal and social topics: Disability, impairments and special needs (YXK) For National Curriculum Early Years (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACA) Interest age: from c 3 years (SAC) Relating to people with hearing disabilities or impairments (SPMF)
CBMC	A3M79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Picture Book
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	275x250
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Author:
The Little Prince
The Night Box
Sweep
The Bear Who Did
The Enormous Morning

Illustrator:
The Bear and the Piano
Rain Before Rainbows
Pip & Egg
Grandad's Secret Giant
Lights on Cotton Rock
Kid Christmas



Vida the Vet: My Search and Find

Official Vida the Vet

Keynote

Where's Vida?! Come along on a super-fun, super-cute search and find journey, featuring characters and scenes from the hit Netflix and CBeebies series, *Vida the Vet*

Description

Step through the magic door to a brilliant search and find adventure in Sweetwood.

Take a peak inside Vida's vet bag, get active with Popcorn and make some music with all your favourite Vida the Vet characters. There's loads of fun and surprising things to find on every page!

Featuring thirteen full-colour search-and-find spreads, this beautiful 32-page paperback book is perfect for keeping little eyes and minds busy on long journeys, rainy afternoons and for screen-free downtime.

Sales Points

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

Author Biography

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

Publication date	Thursday, July 30, 2026
Price	£7.99 / ₹699
Main Identifier	9781408376003
Thema 1.6	Children's interactive and activity: hidden object / search and discover (YBGH) For National Curriculum Early Years (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACA) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)

CBMC	A5L69
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Activity Book
Character	Character
Tie In	Non Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	297x210
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Vida the Vet
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Vida the Vet titles publishing 2025:

Storybooks
Koa's Sweet Tooth
Sunny's Naptime Blues

Activity Books:
Sticker Activity Book
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Price **£7.99 / ₹699**

Main Identifier **9781408379271**

Thema 1.6 **For National Curriculum Early Years (England and Wales) (42-GB-ACA) Children's interactive and activity: drawing, colouring and painting (YBGC)**

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

Binding **Paperback**
Format **200x200**
Extent **80 pages**
Word Count
Not for Sale **USA**

1st Serial **Refer to Publisher**

2nd Serial **Refer to Publisher**

Audio **Refer to Publisher**

Dramatisation and documentary **Refer to Publisher**

Electronic **Refer to Publisher**

Film and TV **Refer to Publisher**

Large print **Refer to Publisher**

Podcast **Refer to Publisher**

Translation **Refer to Publisher**

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

US **Refer to Publisher**

Shrek: Cosy Colouring

DreamWorks Animation, LLC

Keynote

Bring home the hilarious magic of *DreamWorks Shrek* with this cosy-cute colouring book.

Description

Colour in the hilarious, heartwarming world of everyone's favourite swamp-dwelling ogre, with this officially licensed cosy colouring book.

Featuring 80 pages of charming, feel-good, bespoke illustrations inspired by the iconic characters and fairy tale humour of the Shrek universe.

With loads of cute and cosy illustrations of Shrek, Donkey, Fiona and all your favourite characters, this delightful collection offers hours of soothing, mindful colouring fun.

A must-have for anyone who loves cosy colouring, funny characters and the timeless humour of the Shrek world.

Sales Points

- **Officially licensed Shrek product, featuring all-new bespoke and cosy illustrations.**
- **Tapping into the cosy colouring trend with square-format, 80 page title.** Format and instant brand recognition to gift instant shelf appeal.
- **Record-breaking evergreen brand.** Enjoys unrivalled brand recognition across multiple genres, age groups and demographics. Excellent gifting and impulse-buy potential.
- **First in series of licensed cosy colouring titles planned for 2026/2027 publication.**

Author Biography

Home to some of the world's most beloved franchises including *Shrek*, *Gabby's Dollhouse*, *Kung Fu Panda*, *How to Train Your Dragon* and *Puss in Boots*, DreamWorks Animation creates award-winning films for a global audience.

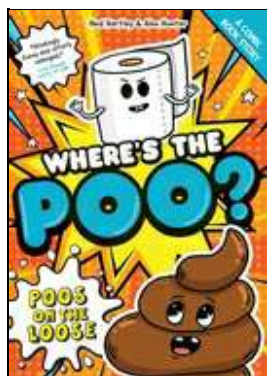
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Main Identifier	9781408377819
Thema 1.6	Graphic novels (XAB) Children's / Teenage fiction: Humorous stories (YFQ) Children's / Teenage fiction: Action and adventure stories (YFC) Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH)
CBMC	C3N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding Format	Paperback
Extent	210x148
Word Count	192 pages
Series	Where's the Poo? - A Comic Book Story
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can

Where's the Poo? - A Comic Book Story: Poos on the Loose Book 1

Alex Hunter and Ned Hartley

Keynote

A wacky and hilarious comic book from the world of the bestselling *Where's the Poo?* search and find books!

Description

POOS TO THE RESCUE! Join a poo-niverse of brilliantly bonkers poo characters in this laugh-out-loud comic book jam-packed with loads of fun adventures!

Join Elvis, Queenie, Bobbi and Duckie on their poop-tastic adventures as they try and track down the Magic Unicorn Poo and save the world from turning into a MASSIVE POO!

The *Where's the Poo* comic books are filled with super silly stories, fun full-colour illustrations and action-packed short chapters, perfect to kick-start a love of reading.

Sales Points

- Based on the bestselling *Where's The Poo?* search and find books
- Hilarious Phoenix-style comic books, great for fans of *Bunny vs Monkey*
- Jam-packed with short wacky stories, ideal for short attention spans
- Ned Hartley is an experienced comic book author who has written for various comic books including *The Beano*
- The content is not gross-out, the main characters just happen to be poos

Author Biography

Alex Hunter (Author)

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.

Ned Hartley (Author)

Ned Hartley is an experienced comics and graphic novel writer who writes for the *Beano*.

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Main Identifier **9781408379288**

Thema 1.6 **Children's interactive and activity: drawing, colouring and painting (YBGC) For National Curriculum Early Years (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACA)**

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

Binding	Paperback
Format	200x200
Extent	80 pages
Word Count	
Not for Sale	USA

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

DreamWorks How To Train Your Dragon: Cosy Colouring

DreamWorks Animation, LLC

Keynote

Bring the magic of *DreamWorks How to Train Your Dragon* home with this officially licensed cosy colouring book.

Description

Colour in the adorable, expressive world of *DreamWorks How to Train Your Dragon* with this officially licensed cosy colouring book.

Featuring 80 pages of cute and charming illustrations of everyone's favourite Night Fury, Toothless.

Each page features scenes in a soft and cosy art style - from playful poses to peaceful, heart-melting moments. Perfect for relaxation, creativity and mindful colouring. This compact, square book is easy to hold, easy to carry and ideal for artists of all ages and fans of the *Dragons* franchise.

A must-have for anyone who loves dragon colouring, cosy colouring and the iconic world of *DreamWorks How to Train Your Dragon*.

Sales Points

- **Officially licensed title with bespoke, cosy illustration style.** Taps into cosy colouring trend, with cross-generational appeal and high gifting potential.
- ***How to Train Your Dragon* is a multi-genre property with global reach across all platforms.** Classic book series, animated film and TV series, plus live-action movies. Sequel coming to UK theatres Summer 2027.
- **Classic 'cosy colouring format' - 80pp / 200x200mm -** excellent shelvability alongside other titles in same format. High-profile, easily identifiable brand maximises shelf appeal.

Author Biography

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Price	£8.99 / ₹799
Main Identifier	9781444984361
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage fiction: Fantasy (YFH) Children's / Teenage fiction: Friendship stories (YFMF) Children's / Teenage general interest: Vampires, werewolves and shapeshifters (YNXB2) Children's / Teenage fiction: General, modern and contemporary fiction (YFB) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ) Interest age: from c 10 years (5AL)

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

Author living in	London

Previous Titles

Crookhaven: The School for Thieves
Crookhaven: The Forgotten Maze
Crookhaven: The Island Heist
Crookhaven: The Impossible Fortress
Crookhaven: The Thieves' Revenge

Beast Mode

The Animal Awakens: From the author of Crookhaven

J.J. Arcanjo

Keynote

A brand-new, action-packed series from the author of *Crookhaven*, following a group of street-smart kids who have the extraordinary ability to shapeshift into powerful animals. For fans of X-Men and A. F. Steadman.

Description

A brand-new, action-packed series from the author of *Crookhaven*, following a group of street-smart kids who have the extraordinary ability to shapeshift into powerful animals. For fans of X-Men and A. F. Steadman.

A group of young, street-smart kids with a dark secret - the ability to transform into powerful animals - must navigate a dangerous world where their extraordinary abilities are both a blessing and a curse.

As they unravel the mysteries of their past and how they came to be shapeshifters, they'll face life-threatening challenges, betrayals, and an organisation that seeks to harness their power for evil.

It's time to unleash your inner animal...

Sales Points

- **Exciting middle-grade series launch:** The first book in a brand new middle-grade series from the author of *Crookhaven*, *the School for Thieves*
- **Action-filled story:** This story is filled with fast-paced action - there is shapeshifting, running from baddies, and plenty of showdowns! It's perfect for both boys and girls and will especially appeal to kids who love video games and action movies
- **Diverse characters:** Filled with a diverse cast of characters who work together to discover the secrets of their past
- **Promotable author:** Joel has worked in publishing and is London-based - he not only knows how important promotion is but is available for (and great at!) events
- **Rising author profile:** Joel's previous book, *Crookhaven*, was shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize 2024, and is being made into a BBC series, launching in early 2026

Author Biography

J.J. Arcanjo is a half-Portuguese, half-English writer who grew up between the Algarve and Devon. He has a masters in Creative Writing and Publishing from City University, London, and has previously worked in publishing. He spent the early years of his childhood in Portugal and when he moved to the UK learned English through reading - instilling the importance of books in him from a young age.



Publication date	Thursday, July 02, 2026
Price	£9.99 / ₹899
Main Identifier	9781444984675
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage fiction: Thrillers / suspense (YFCB) Children's / Teenage fiction: Crime and mystery fiction (YFCF) Interest age: from c 14 years (5AQ) Children's / Teenage fiction: Relationship stories (YFM) Children's / Teenage personal and social topics: Relationships (non-family / groups) (YXH) Relating to the very rich and wealthy (5PDMD)
CBMC	E3N79
Age	12+ years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	336 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Author born in	Northumberland, UK
Author living in	Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire, UK

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A Clean Kill

Part The Housemaid, part A Good Girl's Guide to Murder, this psychological thriller is brimming with suspense and scandal

B.V. Pearce

Keynote

Student life can get messy . . . This psychological thriller brims with steam, suspense and scandal against the backdrop of an elite university. Perfect for fans of *The Housemaid* and *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder*.

Description

This psychological thriller brims with steam, suspense and scandal against the backdrop of an elite university. Perfect for fans of *The Housemaid* and *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder*.

Dirty little secrets need cleaning up . . .

Brilliant aspiring scientist Sabrina has won a scholarship to study chemistry at a prestigious London university. Best of all, it includes accommodation in the Infaustus Apartments, where the university's richest students are housed in luxury. But life in London is expensive, so Sabrina takes a job cleaning the residence.

Invisible in her cleaner's uniform, Sabrina discovers all her classmates' dirty little secrets. It's impossible to forget that she is an outsider, but luckily, Sabrina has never been afraid of hard work, and she's determined to make a better life for herself.

However, Sabrina's life soon gets very messy when she discovers the dead body of rugby star, Chase Matthews. All the residents are suspects, and Sabrina knows better than most that everyone has a motive to want Chase dead.

Trying to keep investigations away from her own past, Sabrina must use all her smarts to expose the killer before she ends up as their next victim.

Sales Points

- Highly commercial, pacy and addictive YA thriller
- Taps into the "haves and have-nots" trope
- Capitalises on the trend for stories from a cleaner or maid's POV - i.e. High Potential (Disney +), Maid (Netflix), and The Housemaid
- We have World rights all languages and film/TV rights
- High film/TV potential set at a single location

Author Biography

B.V. Pearce was born in Northumberland, England, but moved around a lot. She studied English Literature at Cambridge University and now lives with her family in the Forest of Dean, western Gloucestershire.

B.V. Pearce started her first novel in 2004 and was the winner of SCBWI's *Undiscovered Voices* in 2008. Her first YA book won the Leeds Book Award 2012 and the Cheshire Schools Book Award 2013. Since then, she has published nine more YA novels, two adult thrillers and her first middle-grade novel. She also writes short stories, which have been published in various anthologies and magazines.

When she is not writing, B.V. Pearce showcases her love for it by teaching Creative Writing for Children and Young Adults at City University, London, and working as a mentor and editor for aspiring writers. She enjoys travelling, playing cricket for a local women's team and has been learning to play the cello.

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CBMC	D5N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	284x216
Extent	64 pages
Word Count	
Series	Your Expert Guide
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Your Expert Guide: RSC: The Periodic Table for Young Scientists 9781526327338 / RSC: Chemistry for Young Scientists 9781526327369 / RSB: The Human Body for Young Scientists 9781526328038 / RSB: Biology for Young Scientists 9781526328052 / IOP: The Universe for Young Scientists 9781526330611 / IOP: Physics for Young Scientists 9781526330581

Your Expert Guide: The Universe for Young Scientists

Professor Jen Gupta (Illustrated By Ola Szpunar)

Keynote

From a top expert in the world of astrophysics comes this definitive guide to the Universe, published in partnership with the Institute of Physics

Description

From a top expert in the world of astrophysics comes this definitive guide to the Universe published in partnership with the Institute of Physics.

In *Your Expert Guide: The Universe*, readers discover the make-up and magnificence of the Universe, including how we study objects that are unimaginably far away, how light and other emissions come into it and how astrophysics underpins our understanding of Earth, the solar system and the behaviour of matter everywhere.

Written by Professor Jen Gupta, astrophysicist, science communicator, presenter and Professor in Public Engagement in the Institute of Cosmology and Gravitation at the University of Portsmouth. Published in partnership with the Institute of Physics. With friendly and captivating artwork by Ola Szpunar, readers aged 8+ can see the Universe come alive.

Books in the *Your Expert Guide* series:

With Royal Society of Chemistry: *The Periodic Table / Chemistry for Young Scientists*

With Royal Society of Biology: *The Human Body / Biology for Young Scientists*

With Institute of Physics: *The Universe / Physics for Young Scientists*

Sales Points

- Published in association with the Institute of Physics, the physics duology in the series form a definitive foundation in this fundamental branch of science
- Written by Professor Jen Gupta, astrophysicist, science communicator, presenter and Professor in Public Engagement in the Institute of Cosmology and Gravitation at the University of Portsmouth
- With beautiful and engaging artwork by Ola Szpunar, children can see the science at work and apply it to their experience

Author Biography

Jen Gupta (Author)

Professor Jen Gupta is an astrophysicist, science communicator and self-proclaimed professional space nerd. She is a Professor of Astronomy Public Engagement in the Institute of Cosmology and Gravitation at the University of Portsmouth, where she works to make physics and astronomy more accessible to the wider world. As a presenter she has featured in the PBS NOVA series *The Solar System* and *Universe Revealed*, and co-presented the BBC Radio 4 show *Stranger Than Sci-Fi*, as well as regularly appearing on TV and radio to talk about astronomy and science. In her spare time she enjoys swimming, exploring the countryside with her dog, reading fantasy novels and listening to emo music.

Ola Szpunar (Illustrator)

Ola Szpunar is an illustrator based in Gdańsk, Poland. In addition to graduating with master's degree from Art Academy in Gdańsk, she attended Karel de Grote University of Applied Sciences and Arts in Antwerp and studied book design in Warsaw, Poland. Ola has run an independent illustration studio since 2017, focusing on children's books, editorial illustrations and textile design. Ola's work is colourful, full of light, detailed and atmospheric. Ola also makes playful and delicate ceramics under her brand, Clai.

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CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	181x129
Depth	10mm
Extent	64 pages
Word Count	
Series	Five Second Science
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

9781526331908 Five Second Science: Biology Facts
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Five Second Science: Quick-fire Facts About Earth and Space

Minerva Black

Keynote

Learn everything you need to know about our planet and the wonders of space - one speedy fact at a time!

Description

Five Second Science: Earth and Space transforms complex concepts into easily digestible facts. Each page delivers a single incredible science fact - from our planet's wild weather and deep oceans to the birth of stars and the secrets of our Solar System. Colourful pages are funny and memorable, ensuring young scientists stay engaged.

Five Second Science is the ultimate bite-sized guide to science, crafted especially for curious minds aged 7+. Designed for dipping in and out, this accessible fact book format is perfect for reluctant readers or short attention spans.

Sales Points

- Easily digestible bite-size information paired with bright eye-catching, funny imagery
- Aligned with KS2 curriculum, ideal for home learning and classroom support
- Each page contained, designed so readers can dip in and out of it and read it in any order - ideal for reluctant readers or short attention spans

Author Biography

Minerva Black is a writer and editor who specialises in children's non-fiction. She lives in London with her partner and their plants.

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Five Second Science: Quick-fire Facts About Biology

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Keynote

Learn everything you need to know about biology - one speedy fact at a time!

Description

Five Second Science: Biology transforms complex concepts into easily digestible facts. Each page delivers a single incredible science fact - from the secrets of cells and the marvels of human anatomy to the fascinating world of plants and animals. Colourful pages are funny and memorable, ensuring young scientists stay engaged and eager to share their new knowledge.

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CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
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Q and A Kids: Food Chains

Amy Chapman (Illustrated By Angelika Scudamore)

Keynote

Discover the science of food chains with questions, facts, things to find and lots of fun

Description

A fantastic resource for children aged 5-7, this book about the science of food chains is perfect for curious young scientists and a great one-stop-shop for help with homework! For children working through book bands, the book is suitable for those reading at Book Band 12: Brown.

Which animal only eats fifty times a year? Where is a starfish's mouth? How do plants make food under water? Find out about food chains and how plants and animals depend on each other for food. Discover the diets of carnivores, omnivores and herbivores and see what food chains look like in different habitats.

Q and A Kids books are full of interaction and fun: questions to engage the reader, things to find on the page and challenges to stretch young minds. Titles in the series: Electricity / Food Chains / Forces and Magnets / Light / Materials / Plants / Seasons / Sound / The Water Cycle / Weather.

Sales Points

- The question and answer approach is great for inquisitive children
- Text level and design will appeal to nurseries and lower KS2, as well as KS1 readers
- A useful resource for homework projects

Author Biography

Amy Chapman (Author)

Amy Chapman is a pseudonym of Izzi Howell. Izzi is the author and editor of over fifty children's books. She lives in East Sussex and enjoys learning languages, cooking and travelling around Europe.

Angelika Scudamore (Illustrator)

Angelika is an illustrator based in South London. She always loved drawing, and her earliest memory is drawing with her dad. She was obsessed with Beatrix Potter with her beautiful illustrations of cute, fluffy bunnies and animals as a child. Ever since she can remember, she always wanted to have the exact studio Beatrix had with her bunny sitting on her desk! Everywhere she goes, she carries around a sketchbook and jots down every idea that comes to her head. Before she became an illustrator, she taught yoga to young children, making up innovative stories through yoga. This was what later inspired her to illustrate children's books. Creating cute, fun characters is what she loves about illustrating.

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CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	250x190
Depth	12mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Q and A Kids
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Author living in	Brighton

Previous Titles

9781526324177 Electricity
 9781526324054 Food Chains
 9781526324078 Forces and Magnets
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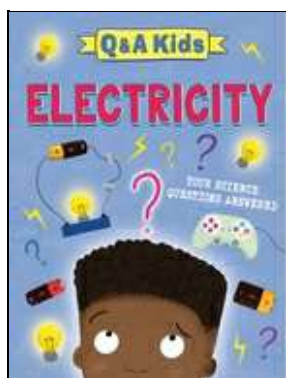
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Q and A Kids: Electricity

Amy Chapman (Illustrated By Angelika Scudamore)

Keynote

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Description

A fantastic resource for children aged 5-7, this book about the science of electricity is perfect for curious young scientists and a great one-stop-shop for help with homework! For children working through book bands, the book is suitable for those reading at Book Band 12: Brown.

What is electricity? Where does it come from? What are conductors and insulators? Discover the different ways that electricity can be produced and find out about circuits and how they work.

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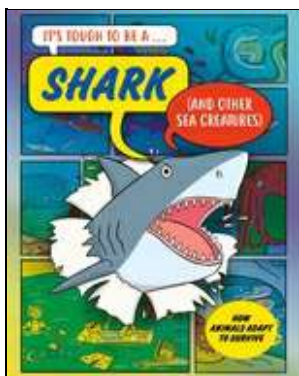
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CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	265x210
Depth	8mm
Extent	48 pages
Word Count	
Series	It's Tough to Be
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

9781526329622 A Black Mamba (and Other Snakes)
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9781526329592 A Shark (and Other Sea Creatures)
9781526329530 A T. Rex (and Other Dinosaurs)
9781526329561 A Tiger (and Other Cats)
9781526329660 An Eagle (and Other Birds)

It's Tough to Be: A Shark (and Other Sea Creatures)

John Townsend (Illustrated By Ruth Bennett)

Keynote

Find out about the incredible ways sharks and other sea creatures have learned to adapt to survive with hilarious cartoon strips

Description

Find out about how the incredible ways sharks and other sea creatures live and survive with hilarious cartoon strips.

Sharks may be incredible predators with few natural enemies but being a ruler in the ocean can still be tough! In this book, cartoon strips explore why great whites can never stop swimming, why not being fussy eaters can cause problems for tiger sharks and why getting in a fight with a giant squid can really suck. Alongside the cartoon strips, we explore topics such as the variety of shark species, food chains, habitats and threats, to build a picture of life as a shark and other deep-sea predators.

It's Tough to Be is a series of fun educational books that help children aged 7 plus understand how animals adapt to survive in different habitats. Each book features hilarious cartoon strips and incredible science facts.

Titles in the series: A Tiger (and other cats) / A Shark (and other sea creatures) / A Black Mamba (and other snakes) / A T-rex (and other dinosaurs) / An Eagle (and other birds) / A Giant Panda (and other bears)

Sales Points

- Engaging way into science learning through comic strips and humour
- Includes science information that is covered in the national curriculum and beyond
- The author is a former teacher and recognised by the National Literacy Trust as a Reading Champion

Author Biography

John Townsend (Author)

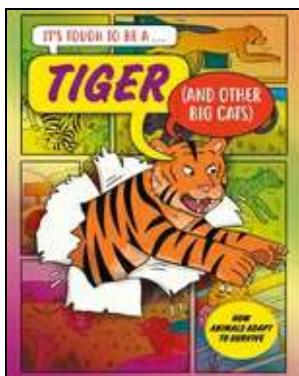
Born on the stroke of midnight in a little house in the ancient Roman town of Caesaromagus (Chelmsford), John grew up with a love of stories, the power of words and the magic of plays on the stage. John trained as a secondary school teacher and was first published in 1983. Oodles of years later, he became a full-time writer. He's well known for writing to encourage readers into books and has been named a 'Reading Champion' by the National Literacy Trust.

Ruth Bennett (Illustrator)

Ruth is an illustrator, character designer and animator from Norfolk, England. She loves creating fun quirky characters and stories that make children giggle.

Ruth primarily works digitally using bold lines and bright colours.

Her biggest inspiration comes from the people around her, Norfolk is home to lots of interesting personalities! As well as people watching she enjoys long walks along the coast and spending time with her two cats.



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It's Tough to Be: A Tiger (and Other Cats)

John Townsend (Illustrated By Ruth Bennett)

Keynote

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Description

Find out about the incredible ways tigers and other big cats live and survive with hilarious cartoon strips.

Tigers, and other big cats, may be incredible predators with few natural enemies but being the world's biggest cats can still be tough! In this book, cartoon strips explore why a tiger cub can easily get into trouble, why jaguars habitats are in danger and why even the king of the jungle has it tough. Alongside the cartoon strips, we explore topics such as the variety of cat species, food chains, habitats and threats, to build a picture of life as a big cat.

It's Tough to Be is a series of fun educational books that help children aged 7 plus understand how animals adapt to survive in different habitats. Each book features hilarious cartoon strips and incredible science facts.

Titles in the series: A Tiger (and other cats) / A Shark (and other sea creatures) / A Black Mamba (and other snakes) / A T-rex (and other dinosaurs) / An Eagle (and other birds) / A Giant Panda (and other bears)

Sales Points

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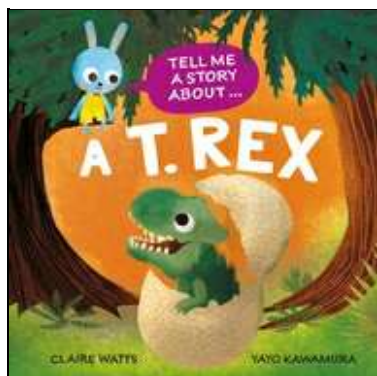
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CBMC	A5N79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	245x245
Depth	12mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Tell Me a Story About
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Previous Titles

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Tell Me a Story About: A T. rex

Claire Watts (Illustrated By Yayo Kawamura)

Keynote

Little Hop loves **stories**. And she asks a lot of **questions**. Her curiosity leads to some rather exciting adventures! Join her to learn about the world through beautifully illustrated stories.

Description

Little Hop loves **stories**. And she asks a lot of **questions**. Her curiosity leads to some rather exciting adventures! Join her to learn more about the world through beautifully illustrated stories.

In *Tell Me a Story About: A T. Rex*, we join Little Hop and a baby T. rex, who is trying to find his mum, to discover more about these enormous dinosaurs and their prehistoric world.

And don't miss Little Hop's super science investigations with her best friends, Catkin and Flip Flap!

The *Tell Me a Story About* series includes:

- *The Sun*, a story about our solar system
- *A T. rex*, a story about dinosaurs
- *A Sunflower*, a story about plants
- *A Spider*, a story about minibeasts
- *A Whale*, a story about animals
- *A Tractor*, a story about vehicles

Sales Points

- Story-based, interactive books to encourage enquiry and excitement about science from a young age, written by experienced author and librarian, Claire Watts
- Covers a range of first science and technology topics, such as space, animals, plants and vehicles
- Includes interactive spreads led by Little Hop and friends, plus adult guidance and further suggestions at the end to extend understanding
- Sweet, bright and irresistible illustrations by Japanese-German illustrator, Yayo Kawamura, author-illustrator of million-copy bestseller series *Pepe and Milli*

Author Biography

Claire Watts (Author)

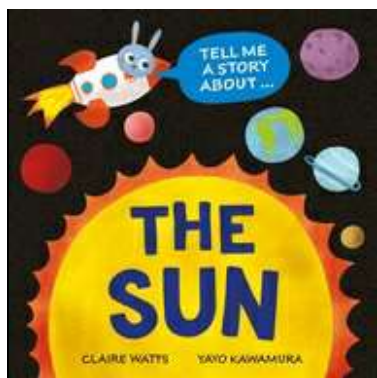
Claire Watts has written over fifty illustrated nonfiction children's books on topics as diverse as dinosaurs, model-making, Vikings, superheroes, deserts and maths. She loves to take big ideas and distil them so that they're understandable to a child audience. For every fact you include, you have to ask yourself, 'Will a child understand this?' 'Do I need to go back a step and explain?' When she is not writing or doing writing-related things, Claire works as a learning assistant and librarian in a primary school near her home in south-west Scotland.

Yayo Kawamura (Illustrator)

Yayo Kawamura, born in 1967, grew up between Germany and Japan. After the fall of the Berlin Wall, she moved to Berlin where she studied communication design and now lives with her family. She has been working as a children's book artist since 2001 and has developed and illustrated over 100 books, games and non-books. Her series "Pepe and Milli" has sold 100,000 copies in Germany and over a million copies worldwide.

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Tell Me a Story About: The Sun

Claire Watts (Illustrated By Yayo Kawamura)

Keynote

Little Hop loves **stories**. And she asks a lot of **questions**. Her curiosity leads to some rather exciting adventures! Join her to learn about the world through beautifully illustrated stories.

Description

Little Hop loves **stories**. And she asks a lot of **questions**. Her curiosity leads to some rather exciting adventures! Join her to learn more about the world through beautifully illustrated stories.

In *Tell Me a Story About: The Sun*, we join Little Hop during a solar eclipse, to discover more about the Sun and its importance to life on planet Earth.

And don't miss Little Hop's super science investigations with her best friends, Catkin and Flip Flap!

The *Tell Me a Story About* series includes:

- *The Sun*, a story about our solar system
- *A T. rex*, a story about dinosaurs
- *A Sunflower*, a story about plants
- *A Spider*, a story about minibeasts
- *A Whale*, a story about animals
- *A Tractor*, a story about vehicles

Sales Points

- Story-based, interactive books to encourage enquiry and excitement about science from a young age, written by experienced author and librarian, Claire Watts
- Covers a range of first science and technology topics, such as space, animals, plants and vehicles
- Includes interactive spreads led by Little Hop and friends, plus adult guidance and further suggestions at the end to extend understanding
- Sweet, bright and irresistible illustrations by Japanese-German illustrator, Yayo Kawamura, author-illustrator of million-copy bestseller series *Pepe and Milli*

Author Biography

Claire Watts (Author)

Claire Watts has written over fifty illustrated nonfiction children's books on topics as diverse as dinosaurs, model-making, Vikings, superheroes, deserts and maths. She loves to take big ideas and distil them so that they're understandable to a child audience. For every fact you include, you have to ask yourself, 'Will a child understand this?' 'Do I need to go back a step and explain?' When she is not writing or doing writing-related things, Claire works as a learning assistant and librarian in a primary school near her home in south-west Scotland.

Yayo Kawamura (Illustrator)

Yayo Kawamura, born in 1967, grew up between Germany and Japan. After the fall of the Berlin Wall, she moved to Berlin where she studied communication design and now lives with her family. She has been working as a children's book artist since 2001 and has developed and illustrated over 100 books, games and non-books. Her series "Pepe and Milli" has sold 100,000 copies in Germany and over a million copies worldwide.

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The Big Book of Cars

The fastest, coolest and craziest rides on the planet

Rob Colson

Keynote

The ultimate guide to the best cars on the planet from racing and sports cars to classic and custom cars

Description

The ultimate guide to the best cars on the planet from racing and sports cars to classic and custom cars.

From sleek supercars to roaring racing machines, *The Big Book of Cars* showcases the fastest, flashiest and most fascinating cars on the planet. Packed with striking full-colour photos, each spread shows these incredible vehicles in all their glory. Readers will discover what makes these machines tick with fact-packed profiles and detailed 'Tech Points' that break down the cutting-edge engineering behind each car. Whether it's a custom-built street beast, a legendary classic, or a record-breaking racer, this book dives under the hood to reveal what makes them truly unique. Perfect for curious minds aged 8 and up, this is the ultimate guide for young car enthusiasts who dream of speed, style, and serious horsepower.

Sales Points

- Spreads and panels of technical data support the text and increase STEM learning
- A bumper book, with a huge range of different types of cars featured
- A great non-fiction leisure read for car enthusiasts

Author Biography

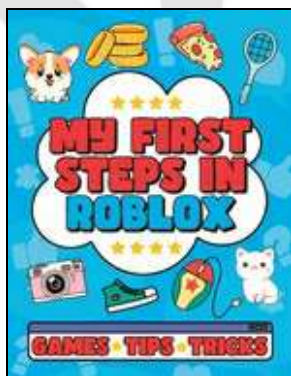
Rob Colson is an author and editor of a wide range of books for children and adults, including many natural history, maths and science titles. Previous titles as author: Ultimate Cars, Ultimate Machines (Wayland); Super Science (Franklin Watts). Other titles: Bone Collection: Animals (Scholastic), Puzzles, Conundrums and Enigmas (Parragon). Contributing author to Battle (DK).

Publication date	Thursday, July 23, 2026
Price	£19.99 / ₹1899
Main Identifier	9781526332547
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Transport and vehicles (YNTR)
	Children's / Teenage general interest: Vehicle sports (YNWT)
	For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ)
	Interest age: from c 9 years (5AK)
CBMC	D5N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	265x210
Extent	128 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher
Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
Large print	Refer to Publisher
Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Refer to Publisher
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Publication date	Thursday, July 16, 2026
Price	£7.99 / ₹699
Main Identifier	9781804539644
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Computer and video games (YNUU) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (42-GB-ACF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF)
CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	246x189
Depth	8mm
Extent	48 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; Carib; Cent & S Am

My First Steps in Roblox

Welbeck Children's Books

Keynote

A special guide for very young readers, explaining how to get the most out of Roblox.

Description

Roblox can seem confusing to both children and adults at first! This fun, visual guide assumes no knowledge and gives kids the best way to get playing safely and securely. The book includes expert reviews on the best Roblox games for players aged 5-7, and only includes games that have been checked to be wholesome and age-appropriate. Adults will find straightforward advice on how to let younger players enjoy themselves in Roblox, including how to limit chat and protect their identity. Kids will love the fun illustrations, the fascinating game facts, and the tips on how to be the best in every game.

Sales Points

- A companion title to My First Steps in Minecraft, in the same format and with the same accessible feel.
- Features Roblox games which have been specially selected to be appropriate for the very youngest Roblox players.
- Includes special sections for adults, with clear advice on how to ensure that young players stay safe and have fun.

Author Biography

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

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Publication date	Tuesday, July 28, 2026
Price	£9.95 / ₹899
Main Identifier	9781804539576
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Spiritual beliefs, religions, sacred histories and traditions of specific cultures or groups (YNRR) Children's / Teenage general interest: Mysteries and the unexplained (YNX) Children's / Teenage general interest: Ancient religions, Mythology and legends (YNRU) Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ) Interest age: from c 9 years (5AK)
CBMC	D5N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	225x225
Extent	72 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Can; Carib; Mex; S Am; USA
Not for Sale	Philippines; RoW

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Fortune Telling

Welbeck Children's Books

Keynote

Explore the magical world of fortune telling, and find out all about astrology, palmistry, moon phases, and much more.

Description

Explore the magical world of fortune telling, and find out all about astrology, palmistry, moon phases, and much more.

Can you really see your future in the stars, in your palm, or even in tea leaves? This book is a fun and fascinating overview of the many ways people through the ages have tried to manifest the future - and how some people claim to be able to do it today.

The companion title to Star Signs, Crystal Magic, and Dreams, this book is broken down into easily accessible sections for clear and easy reading, with colorful, vibrant illustrations to pore over. Discover key facts about fortune telling, and how best to discover what your future holds.

Sales Points

- The fourth book in Welbeck's series which includes Star Signs, Crystal Magic, and Dreams.
- Features a mix of illustrations and photography to bring every fortune telling method to life.
- A cool visual guide with simple, clear text, focussing on exciting images and simple facts rather than in-depth analysis.
- 65,010 copies already sold to Scholastic Book Fairs

Author Biography

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

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Main Identifier	9781804539613
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Computer and video games (YNVU) Interest age: from c 8 years (5AJ)

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

Binding	Paperback
Format	246x189
Extent	80 pages
Word Count	
Series	Roblox
Exclusively for Sale	World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; Carib; Cent & S Am

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher
Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
Large print	Refer to Publisher
Podcast	Refer to Publisher
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101 Cool Things to Do in Roblox (Independent & Unofficial)

Packed Full of Pro Tricks, Tips and Secrets for the Best Roblox Games!

Kevin Pettman

Keynote

101 of the coolest experiences you can have in Roblox. Whether it's breaking out of prison, hiding from a hurricane, finding hidden secrets or even creating your own game, there's something for every player here.

Description

This fully updated Roblox title lets readers experience Roblox in a completely new way!

Instead of being a directory of games, this guide gives readers 101 of the coolest experiences that they can have in Roblox - all for free.

Whether it's breaking out of prison, hiding from a hurricane, finding hidden secrets or even creating your own game, there's something for every player here. Plus there are tons of challenges for readers to take up which will see them participate in loads of fun, silly and exciting in-game moments. It's the ultimate boredom-buster for Roblox-obsessed kids.

Roblox is the largest user-generated online gaming platform, with 12 million monthly users worldwide. Parents will appreciate the online etiquette tips and guides on how to stay 100% safe online.

Sales Points

- 101 of the coolest experiences you can have in Roblox. Whether it's breaking out of prison, hiding from a hurricane, finding hidden secrets or even creating your own game, there's something for every player here.
- In 2025, Roblox had over 97.8 million daily active users worldwide, a 26% increase from 2024.
- Follows on from Welbeck's best-selling Roblox games directories with a brand-new way to get kids playing.

Author Biography

Kevin Pettman is a versatile and passionate editor and writer with more than 15 years' experience, spanning magazines, books and partworks, including *Match of the Day* and *Match*. He is also a regular contributor to *Top Gear's* annuals and children's titles.

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Price	£7.99 / ₹699
Main Identifier	9781801300742
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage fiction: Nature and animal stories (YFP) Children's / Teenage general interest: Dogs and wolves (YNNJ21) Children's / Teenage personal and social topics: Self-awareness and self-esteem (YXD) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)

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

Binding	Paperback
Format	291x261
Depth	6mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; Carib; Cent & S Am

Previous Titles

Mazy the Movie Star

Author:
Marge In Charge series

Illustrator:
There's a Poonami in My House!
Wanda's Words Got Stuck
Superkitty
We've Got Talent
Peggy Little-Legs
Marv series
Tiny Crab is a Tidy Crab
Rabbit's Pancake Picnic

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2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher
Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
Large print	Refer to Publisher
Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised	Refer to Publisher

Mazy the Movie Star: On Stage

Mazy returns for a picture book adventure about overcoming fears from Hollywood star, Isla Fisher

Isla Fisher (Illustrated By Paula Bowles)

Keynote

Mazy the Movie Star is BACK with a brand-new dog-tastic story about overcoming fears from actress and bestselling author Isla Fisher!

Description

Mazy the Movie Star is BACK with a brand-new dog-tastic story about overcoming fears from actress and bestselling author Isla Fisher!

Everyone in Hollywoof knows Mazy the Movie Star's name! And now, she's ready for a new challenge: acting on STAGE! But when Mazy lands her dream role in Little Red Riding Hound, she suddenly gets a bad case of . . . STAGE FRIGHT!

Can Mazy learn to share her worries and overcome her fears? With a little help from her friends, perhaps she'll find a way to shine wherever she goes!

Sales Points

- With a central message around trying new things, this book is perfect for little ones starting a new preschool, hobby or club
- The second book in this funny series from comic actress and bestselling author, Isla Fisher, and illustrator Paula Bowles
- Great for little ones who love dogs, dressing up or play acting!

Author Biography

Isla Fisher (Author)

Isla Fisher has worked in TV and film for 25 years. She has played many fun and different characters, but her favourite role is being a mummy to her three children and she has been making up stories at bedtime for them every night since they were born.

Paula Bowles (Illustrator)

Paula lives in Bristol, UK, where she has worked as an illustrator for more than 10 years. She used to work in a preschool, where she got to run around pretending to be a crocodile, went on Bear Hunts and made play-dough cakes. As well as drawing, she loves getting out of the city for long walks and cycle trips in the fresh air. Oh, and she once learned to walk the tightrope!



Publication date	Thursday, July 16, 2026
Price	£8.99 / ₹799
Main Identifier	9781526367860
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage fiction: Action and adventure stories (YFC) Children's / Teenage general interest: Zombies, ghosts and the undead (YNXB3) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ) Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH)
CBMC	C3N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject Type	Fiction Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding Format	Paperback B Format
Extent	192 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Brain Dead

A Save-the-world Zombie Adventure

Gareth P. Jones

Keynote

Solve your way through this narrative adventure where you must defeat the tech-zombies and learn how to manage your screentime along the way. For readers 7+

Description

In a world full of drooling, dead-eyed tech-zombies, *you* are the last line of defence and only by solving the puzzles can you save the world.

The tech zombie apocalypse is here and Rock Stone, a former employee of the company that started the outbreak, has recruited you to help him stop the virus and save the world. Solve the puzzles, play the games, complete the challenges and keep on reading to defeat the tech-zombies. In this adventure story, *You Choose* what happens next, but make sure you make the right decision as you only have ten lives to use. Can you battle the tech-zombies and save the world without losing any brain cells?

Brain Dead is the ultimate narrative adventure book for readers aged 7+ who want to keep their brains sharp and firmly inside their heads, as well as dodging the pull of WIFI-hungry tech-zombies bent on devouring their minds!

Sales Points

- Targeting the funny middle grade space, but with a narrative adventure
- Appealing to parental concerns about smartphones, screentime and brain rot, with a non-didactic approach designed to be fun for readers and reflect the surge in demand for puzzle and activity books
- In-house, IP project to maximise profits and with strong series potential

Author Biography

Gareth P. Jones is the author of many books for children, including the NINJA MEERKATS, PET DEFENDERS and DRAGON DETECTIVE series, and THE CONSIDINE CURSE, for which he won the Blue Peter Book of the Year 2012. He lives in south London with his family.

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Publication date	Thursday, July 02, 2026
Price	£12.99/₹1150
Main Identifier	9781035446803
Thema 1.6	Horror, ghost stories and supernatural fiction (FK)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	704 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Book locale	USA
Author born in	Maine, USA
Author living in	New Hampshire, USA.

Previous Titles

Heart-Shaped Box
Horns
NOS4R2
The Fireman
Strange Weather (short story collection)
Full Throttle (short story collection)
King Sorrow

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Undramatised (straight) reading	Headline Publishing Group
US	Refer to Publisher

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NOS4A2

Joe Hill

Keynote

The terrifying novel from the Sunday Times bestselling author.

Description

'Enthrallingly petrifying' SUNDAY TIMES
'Genuinely scary' INDEPENDENT ON SUNDAY
'A big engine of entertainment' GUARDIAN
'Full of chills and cliffhangers' NEW YORK TIMES

Charlie Manx has the coolest car: a 1939 Rolls-Royce Wraith. All the kids love it, especially its NOS4A2 vanity plate. Coolest of all is when they get to ride in it, down the street and far away. Goodbye home, goodbye family. There's no returning once you've ridden in that Rolls-Royce Wraith.

Those kids are Charlie's children now.

Except for Vic McQueen. She's the only one who ever got away. Now all grown up with a son of her own, Charlie Manx is just a bad memory. Something to be forgotten. But Charlie never forgets. Not ever. And now, twenty-five years later, he's got his sights on Vic's young boy. He's going to make sure a McQueen will be with him for ever . . .

Praise for Sunday Times bestselling author Joe Hill:

'A tour de force...King Sorrow is huge, sprawling - and absolutely fantastic' THE GUARDIAN
'Original and gripping' GEORGE R. R. MARTIN
'Joe Hill gloriously resurrects the doorstep horror blockbuster for a startling new century' ALAN MOORE
'A soaring epic and painfully intimate. You won't be able to stop burning through the pages' PAUL TREMBLAY
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'A wild, genre-defying journey, packed with all sorts of unexpected twists and turns' DAILY MIRROR
'A glorious, wild ride' NEW YORK TIMES

Sales Points

- **A COMMERCIAL AND CRITICAL HIT FROM A SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR** NOS4A2 won rave reviews on publication, cementing Joe Hill's reputation as one of the leading contemporary horror writers.
- **AN AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR** Joe Hill is a multi-award-winning author, whose books receive praise from high-profile writers (George R. R. Martin: 'Original and gripping') and glowing reviews across the national media.
- **A HUGE POPULAR AUTHOR WITH A MASSIVELY DEVOTED FANBASE** With a loyal readership who are fiercely dedicated to his work, Joe has over 400,000 followers across social media.
- **A MAJOR TV SERIES** The NOS4A2 tv series - starring Zachary Quinto from Star Trek and Ebon Moss-Bachrach from The Bear - is streaming on Netflix.

Reviews

- 'Hill's nightmarish, devilish protagonist is Charlie Manx - who uses his supernatural powers in his ghastly mission to kidnap and kill dozens of children... and to scare the living bejesus out of the readers... This book is well-written, extremely dark and awfully gruesome.' - *Daily Mail*
- 'Genuinely scary' - *Independent on Sunday*

Author Biography

Joe Hill is the number one *New York Times* bestselling author of the novels *The Fireman*, *NOS4A2*, *Horns*, and *Heart-Shaped Box*; *Strange Weather*, a collection of novellas; and the acclaimed story collections *Full Throttle* and *20th Century Ghosts*. He is also the Eisner Award-winning writer of a seven-volume comic book series, *Locke & Key*. Much of his work has been adapted for film and television, including *NOS4A2* (AMC), *Locke & Key* (Netflix), *In the Tall Grass* (Netflix), and *The Black Phone* (Blumhouse).



Publication date	Thursday, July 02, 2026
Price	£12.99/₹1150
Main Identifier	9781035446827
Thema 1.6	Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA) Horror, ghost stories and supernatural fiction (FK) Science fiction: apocalyptic and post-apocalyptic (FLQ) Thriller / suspense fiction (FH) Dystopian and utopian fiction (FDB)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	784 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Book locale	USA
Author born in	Maine, USA
Author living in	new Hampshire, USA.

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The Fireman

The chilling horror thriller from the author of NOS4A2 and THE BLACK PHONE

Joe Hill

Keynote

An acclaimed and epic novel from the Sunday Times bestselling author about a worldwide pandemic of spontaneous combustion. One pregnant woman is determined to survive and see her baby born - and only the enigmatic man known as the Fireman can help her.

Description

WHEN THE WORLD BURNS....WHO WILL YOU FIGHT FOR?

'Fantastically compelling' OBSERVER
'Original and gripping' GEORGE R.R. MARTIN
'Absolutely devastating' THE GUARDIAN
'Epic' SUNDAY MIRROR

Nobody knew where the virus came from. FOX News claimed it had been set loose by terrorists, MSNBC said sources indicated it might've been stolen by cult Christian types fixated on the *Book of Revelation*. While every TV station debated the cause, the world erupted in flames.

Pregnant school nurse Harper Grayson had seen lots of people burn on television. The first person she saw burn for real was in the playground behind her school. Now she is infected and has only one goal - to survive long enough to give birth. But the fire is spreading and civilization is being reduced to ashes . . .

Praise for Sunday Times bestselling author Joe Hill:

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'A wild, genre-defying journey, packed with all sorts of unexpected twists and turns' DAILY MIRROR
'A glorious, wild ride' NEW YORK TIMES

Sales Points

- **AN EPIC SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER** Also a number one New York Times bestseller, this acclaimed novel was a huge commercial hit.
- **AN ACCLAIMED AND AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR** Joe Hill is a multi-award-winning author, whose books receive praise from high-profile writers (George R. R. Martin: 'Original and gripping') and glowing reviews across the national media.
- **A HUGE POPULAR AUTHOR WITH A MASSIVELY DEVOTED FANBASE** With a loyal readership who are fiercely dedicated to his work, Joe has over 400,000 followers across social media.

Reviews

- 'If you haven't yet grabbed a copy of Joe Hill's THE FIREMAN, you need to. Original and gripping, a page-turner' - *George R.R.Martin*
- 'I devoured this book as if the pages themselves were on fire...an end of the world tale with a blazing heart of hope at its core. A contender for book of the year' - *Sarah Pinborough, author of 13 MINUTES*
- 'You'll be instantly hooked if you're obsessed with *The Walking Dead*. It's got the whole post-apocalyptic world nailed...there is a brilliant humour amid the darkness, and the action scenes feel like a movie' - *Cosmopolitan*
- 'Taps into fears we all have about the world coming to an end, as Donald Trump stokes the fires of racial hatred in America, wars continue across the planet and diseases such as Zika and Ebola spread with shocking speed.' - *The Mail on Sunday*

Author Biography

Joe Hill is the number one *New York Times* bestselling author of the novels *The Fireman*, *NOS4A2*, *Horns*, and *Heart-Shaped Box*; *Strange Weather*, a collection of novellas; and the acclaimed story collections *Full Throttle* and *20th Century Ghosts*. He is also the Eisner Award-winning writer of a seven-volume comic book series, *Locke & Key*. Much of his work has been adapted for film and television, including *NOS4A2* (AMC), *Locke & Key*



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The Storm

The intoxicating new thriller from the New York Times bestselling author of *The Heiress*

Rachel Hawkins

Keynote

***New York Times* bestselling author Rachel Hawkins is back with a thrilling new gothic suspense set in a Gulf Coast beach motel where hurricane season can be murder.**

Description

It was the trial that swept the nation But her story isn't finished yet . . .

'Had me hooked from the very first page' Reader Review ⭐ ⭐
⭐ ⭐ ⭐
'Unputdownable!' Reader Review ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐
⭐
'I devoured it in a single day' Reader Review ⭐ ⭐ ⭐
⭐ ⭐

St Medard's Bay, Alabama is famous for three things: the deadly hurricanes that regularly sweep into town, the century-old Rosalie Inn that has survived every one, and Lo Bailey, the local girl accused of murdering her lover in 1984.

When hotel owner Geneva hears a true crime writer is in town to research the Landon Fitzroy case, she's less interested in solving a whodunnit than the business it could bring the Rosalie Inn. But August Fletcher doesn't come alone: with him is none other than Lo Bailey herself, returned to her hometown to clear her name once and for all. But the closer Geneva gets to Lo and August, the more she wonders if Lo is actually back to settle old scores.

As summer heats up and another monster storm approaches, Geneva learns that people can be just as destructive as any hurricane - and that the truth about what happened to Landon is not the only secret Lo is keeping...

Sales Points

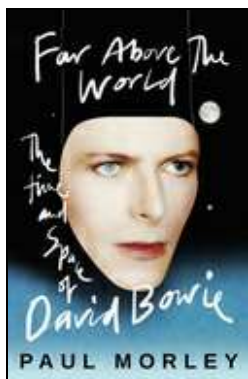
- Rachel Hawkins is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Wife Upstairs*, *Reckless Girls*, *The Villa* and *The Heiress* and her sales are growing book on book. *The Heiress* went straight onto the *New York Times* bestseller chart and received rave reviews.
- *The Storm* will be supported by a major US campaign, including a massive TikTok influencer campaign and highly targeted digital advertising.
- Rachel Hawkins also writes witchy romance as Erin Sterling and has penned TikTok bestsellers *The Ex-Hex* and *The Kiss Curse*.
- Rachel Hawkins has a large and growing fanbase, with 19.7K followers on Instagram and 25.5 followers on X. #rachelhawkins also has 4.6M views on TikTok.
- As with all her books, Rachel Hawkins combines thrilling suspense with beautiful scene-setting in this heart-wrenching story of female friendship, family secrets and murder, with a touch of old school glamour that is reminiscent of Taylor Jenkins Reid.

Author Biography

Rachel Hawkins is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Wife Upstairs*, *Reckless Girls*, *The Villa* and *The Heiress*. She also writes as our own Erin Sterling, author of *The Ex-Hex* and *The Kiss Curse*, and has written multiple books for young readers.

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Extent	400 pages
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Far Above The World

'Magical and inspired, like Bowie himself' Jonny Marr

Paul Morley

Keynote

What does David Bowie mean to you? Acclaimed writer Paul Morley explores the myths and the meanings of a star who was always ahead of his time

Description

In the ten years since the death of David Bowie in 2016 there has been no loss of interest in and fascination with his life, music and driven, complex personality. Quite the opposite - he is definitely one musician, one performer, destined not to be forgotten. The significant grief and sadness that greeted his death has evolved into a deeper, enduring love for his music, style, wit, artistic curiosity, sexual energy, flamboyant outsider spirit and insatiable, provocative appetite for life.

Far Above the World will document one of the UK's greatest creative artists, capturing his formative years before he became a household name, and then taking the reader through a spectacularly colourful and vibrant journey of a man who constantly reinvented himself and his music.

Sales Points

- Published to coincide with the tenth anniversary of Bowie's death
- Morley's previous Bowie book sold 15,000 hardbacks and 20,000 paperbacks TCM
- Morley's first Bowie book was Radio 4 Book of the Week

Reviews

- 'At the centre of a contradiction was where David Bowie was at his happiest, squeezing the pop out of the avant garde and the other way round. Electrically charged by opposing forces; the fusion of the instant and the eternal, showbusiness and shamanism, male/female. The garish rosy cheeks of celebrity and the pale pallor of his interior jazz-man Duke Elegant. The same fascinations as Paul Morley and *Far Above the World*, a zoetrope of the life of David Robert Jones.' - Bono, -
- 'I love Paul Morley's writing about David Bowie ... magical and inspired, like Bowie himself.' - Johnny Marr, -
- 'A compelling chronicle of David Bowie's search for new ideas and where they led him. Bowie: the keen-bean enthusiast and cunning strategist, the original and the imitator, the star and the bloke, the pale intellectual and the sexy rock-and-roller. Paul Morley brings them all together in this intriguingly philosophical study of a unique artist.' - Neil Tennant, -
- 'The hardened Bowie fanatic, of which there are many, will learn little of David Bowie the pop star, but instead will have their mind opened to a side of Bowie rarely explored in such depth. Morley has produced a wondrous collection of writings to provoke the Bowie fan into deepening their understanding of the man, not just the myth.' - Dave Roberts, *God Is In the TV*

Author Biography

Writer, broadcaster and cultural critic Paul Morley has written about music, art and entertainment since the 1970s. A founding member of the electronic collective Art of Noise, he is the author of the bestselling biography *The Age of Bowie* and collaborated with music icon Grace Jones on her New York Times best selling memoir, *I'll Never Write My Memoirs*. His other books include biographies of Bob Dylan, Joy Division and Factory Records Tony Wilson and a history of the north. He was an artistic advisor for the David Bowie Is exhibition at the V&A.

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The House Guest

A deliciously gripping psychological thriller with a twist you won't see coming

Jennifer Pashley

Keynote

WHITE LOTUS meets THE MENU in this fun, sexy and compulsive debut thriller - you won't be able to tear yourself away.

Description

An aspiring chef finds she has bitten off more than she can chew when her gig as a private cook to a bestselling author turns deadly in this propulsive, whip-smart suspense novel.

'Emma Cline's *The Guest* meets Freida McFadden's *The Housemaid*' Ashley Winstead

Brett Novak is a young upstart chef, with real, raw talent - if only she could catch a break. After getting dumped by her married girlfriend and losing the perfect job offer, Brett accepts a temporary position as a live-in, personal chef of a reclusive, bestselling author, Carson Smart, who resides in a mansion on a secluded beach in Cape Cod.

Carson immediately seduces her, but things get complicated when Carson's wife, Vera, arrives home from her trip, and the love/hate relationship between the two spouses erupts, leaving Brett caught in the middle. Brett, starved for attention, craves Carson's affection and yet is oddly drawn to Vera's seductive and destructive charms.

As Brett becomes an unwitting pawn and weapon, she questions how far husband and wife will go to wound the other. With nowhere else to turn, she has no choice but to stay - even as her hold on reality begins to slip. Can she survive her employers' dark appetites?

Sales Points

- **A highly commercial page turner:** Set inside a glamorous Cape Cod estate, this is a twisty, bingeable story of obsession, power and desire - rich people behaving badly, dark sexual tension, and danger lurking beneath a glossy surface.
- **A distinctive hook:** Perfect for fans of *The Housemaid*, *The Next Mrs Parrish* and *The Guest*, but with a fresh edge: the high-pressure world of being a personal chef adds a layer of intensity, making this feel original and very pitchable.
- **A fresh voice in the genre:** A young, bisexual protagonist brings a largely under-represented perspective to the genre, broadening appeal to younger, BookTok-leaning audience while still satisfying core psychological thriller fans.
- **Major US publisher:** This was pre-empted for six figures by Grand Central Publishing, who have big ambitions and have already revealed the cover to strong enthusiasm from the trade.
- **An award-winning author:** Jennifer Pashley is an acclaimed, prize-winning writer known for her complex queer characters and emotional depth, bringing credibility, authenticity and a distinctive voice to a highly commercial thriller. She has been awarded the Red Hen Prize for Fiction, the Mississippi Review Prize for Fiction, and the Carve Magazine Esoteric Award for LGBT Fiction.

Reviews

- 'Emma Cline's *The Guest* meets Freida McFadden's *The Housemaid* in this sexy, edgy, singular story about a private chef stumbling into the job from hell. Reading *The House Guest* is like watching a car wreck unfold in slow motion-it's full of gripping, can't-look-away intrigue, seductive and delicious prose, and characters thorny enough to rivet. Pashley is a first-rate talent' - Ashley Winstead, author of *The Future Saints*
- 'Engrossing. . . . An unexpected death raises the stakes, and Pashley's subsequent dives into the backstories of her three principals keeps the tension almost unbearably high-with each new detail, readers' loyalties shift. It's a riveting ride' - *Publishers Weekly*
- 'That feeling when . . . you discover a new auto-buy author. Ominous vibes, lush food descriptions, and emotionally tormented characters all masterfully woven into an unhinged psychological thriller. Come for the luxurious ocean-front property, stay for the sex, booze, and murder' - K.T. Nguyen, author of *You Know What You Did*
- 'Slow burn psychological suspense at its appetizing best with a tension that simmers until things finally boil over. Jennifer Pashley has cooked up a must read for anyone who loves Liv Constantine, Andrea Bartz, and Frieda McFadden' - Kellye Garrett, author of *Missing White Woman*

Author Biography

Jennifer Pashley is the award-winning author of two short story collections, *States*, and *The Conjuror*, as well as the novels *The Scamp* and *The Watcher*. Her stories have appeared widely in journals like *Mississippi Review*, *PANK*, and *SmokeLong Quarterly*, and she has been awarded the Red Hen Prize for Fiction, the Mississippi Review Prize for fiction, and the Carve Magazine Esoteric Award for LGBT Fiction. She lives in Syracuse,



stylist, making this book a riveting read with the poetic bonafides to match the work of Erin Morgenstern, Catherynne M. Valente, and GennaRose Nethercott.

Author Biography

Erin A. Craig is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *House of Salt and Sorrows* and *Small Favors*. After getting her BFA in Theatre Design and Production from the University of Michigan, she stage-managed tragic operas filled with hunchbacks, séances, and murderous clowns, then decided she wanted to write books that were just as spooky. An avid reader, a decent quilter, a rabid basketball fan, and a collector of typewriters, Erin makes her home in West Michigan with her husband and daughter.

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Dream by the Shadows

A dark and atmospheric enemies-to-lovers fantasy set in a deadly dream world . . .

Logan Karlie

Keynote

A shadow-cursed girl must venture into a deadly dream world to avenge her family-all while falling for the prince of darkness-in this romantasy debut for fans of *Powerless* and *Belladonna*.

Description

In the land of Noctis, to dream is to die . . . ☐

DREAM BY THE SHADOWS is a lush, darkly whimsical **gothic fantasy** with a touch of horror and a great **slow-burn romance**, perfect for fans of *Powerless*, *Belladonna*, *Shadow and Bone*, and *Phantom of the Opera*.

'A haunting, delicious dream' **KATE GOLDEN**

NOW WITH AN EXCLUSIVE BONUS CHAPTER FROM THE SHADOW BRINGER'S POV

No one told me that damnation could be beautiful.

For the last 500 years, the Kingdom of Noctis has been plagued by Corruption, a curse that spreads through dreams. Only an elixir, taken each night before sleep, can ward off the curse. But for some, the allure of the Dream Realm proves too strong.

Esmer Havenfall desperately wants to escape her curse-struck village. But as her family starts to succumb to Corruption, Esmer's life swiftly unravels into a nightmare - especially when she begins to dream herself.

In Esmer's dreams, she meets her greatest fear: the Shadow Bringer, who rules from his castle in the Dream Realm, stealing souls one dreamer at a time. As Esmer follows the Shadow Bringer deeper into his kingdom she starts to feel a strange kinship to his sinister magic. But the prince of darkness has a haunted past, one that might change the fate of Esmer's kingdom - and her heart - forever.

Lush and vividly imagined, Logan Karlie creates an immersive nightmare in this seductive gothic fantasy, infused with shadow-haunted romance and an exhilarating thread of horror.

'A richly-imagined chiaroscuro tapestry' **ELLY BLAKE**

'A story that will capture you in a snare of shadows' **LYNDALL CLIPSTONE**

'A hauntingly beautiful tale of redemption that reads like a dream' **RM GRAY**

'Logan Karlie's enchanting debut masterfully crafts a nightmarish dream-world that you won't want to wake up from' **I.V. MARIE**

'Lushly written and dripping with atmosphere, Logan Karlie has penned a gorgeous nightmare of a book' **LYDIA GREGOVIC**

READER REVIEWS:

'A gothic romantasy that is sure to leave you gripping onto each page' ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

'Truly magical' ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

'A mesmerizing journey' ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

'Dark and compelling' ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

'The story is built to perfection' ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

'This book got me out of a reading slump!!!' ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

Sales Points

- **LOGAN KARLIE IS A TIKTOK SENSATION!** #DreamByTheShadows has earned 12 MILLION VIEWS ON TIKTOK following in the footsteps of Carissa Broadbent, Raven Kennedy, Amber V. Nicole and Sarah J. Maas, #LoganKarlie is also at 4.2 million views. Logan also has a passionate following of 37.3k followers on Instagram, as well as 75.7k followers and 3.8m likes on TikTok.
- **A LUSH, WHIMSICALLY GOTHIC FANTASY, WITH A TOUCH OF HORROR AND A GREAT SLOW-BURN ROMANCE:** With everything that readers love in this area, *Dream by the Shadows* is a lush, gothic romantic fantasy pitched as *Labyrinth* meets *The Sandman* and perfect for fans of Rachel Gillig's *One Dark Window* and *Gallant* by V.E. Schwab, set in a brilliant and terrifying world of haunted dreams, treacherous magic and a touch of horror.
- **INNOVATIVE SERIES CAMPAIGN AIMED AT BOOKTOKKERS:** Using our romantasy blogger list (more than 800 engaged influencers!) and Logan's organic following, we will



Author Biography

Logan Karlie holds a MA in English Literature from the University of Arkansas. She loves writing stories brimming with gothic themes, atmospheric worlds, and characters who fight to overcome the shadows that haunt them. She lives in Illinois, with her family, where she also taught high school English.

She invites you to visit her on Instagram and TikTok **@authorlogankarlie**.

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Family Lies

family secrets could be deadly in the gripping new thriller

Karen Rose

Keynote

The pulse-pounding new thriller in the San Diego Case Files series, from the bestselling author of *Dead Man's List* and *Cheater*

Description

'High wire suspense that keeps you riveted' **Lisa Gardner**

Homicide Detective Kit McKittrick and psychologist Sam Reeves arrive at Mary Sherman's house after she fails to turn up for an arranged meeting with Kit's foster sister Akiko. Three weeks earlier, Akiko received a call from Mary out of the blue claiming she had information about her birth mother. Now, Kit, Sam and Akiko land on her doorstep only to come under fire from an unknown shooter and to discover Mary's dead body inside the house.

Who was Mary to Akiko? What information did she have, and why did she choose now to come forward? If her murder is not a coincidence, Akiko's safety could be at risk.

Kit is determined to find answers for her sister, but every piece of information revealed just leads to more questions, and no one connected to Akiko's story is quite who they seem. And there's a major stumbling block: an injured Kit has been officially taken off the investigation, and ignoring the order could have lasting consequences for her career. But how can she sit back when she, her sister and the people around them are in serious danger?

Sales Points

- Karen Rose celebrated 20 years of publishing in 2023, and has now published over 25 novels to date.
- Headline has sold over 5 million copies of Karen Rose since 2012 and Karen is a regular *Sunday Times* bestseller.
- Karen is loved all over the globe and her novels have been translated into 15 languages.
- A TV series based on *Cold Blooded Liar*, the first novel in the San Diego Case Files series, is currently in the works with Fox

Reviews

- 'Praise for Karen Rose'
- 'Karen Rose delivers the kind of high-wire suspense that keeps you riveted' - Lisa Gardner
- 'Effortlessly balances romance and crime . . . An excellent example of how far-reaching and varied romance can be' - *New York Times*
- 'Fast and furious' - *Sun*

Author Biography

Karen Rose was introduced to suspense and horror at the tender age of eight when she accidentally read Poe's *The Pit and The Pendulum* and was afraid to go to sleep for years. She now enjoys writing books that make other people afraid to go to sleep.

Karen lives in Florida with her family, their cat, Bella, and two dogs, Loki and Freya. When she's not writing, she enjoys reading, and her new hobby - knitting.

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The Eyewitness

A completely gripping psychological thriller packed with twists

Naomi Williams

Keynote

A heart-stopping psychological thriller from the author of THE WOMAN IN WARD 9, with twists that will leave you breathless. Perfect for fans of THE SILENT PATIENT and Freida McFadden.

Description

Readers are gripped by THE EYEWITNESS!

'The ending took my breath away. I haven't stopped thinking about it since' □□□□

'Dark and atmospheric, this thriller had me checking my locks at night' □□□□

'I tore through this edge-of-your-seat, up-all-night thriller' □□□□

'A gripping and unsettling psychological thriller that'll keep you guessing until the very end' □□□□

Rachel Cartwright has a terrifying condition. Every 48 hours, her eyes shut tight - and stay that way for two long days. She can't work, can't go out. And, worse, when the world goes dark, she's certain someone is watching her.

She can't prove it - but I believe her. And, as her doctor, I owe it to Rachel to help. I may not understand what's happening to her, but I've made it my job to protect her. To keep watch when she can't.

But I can't help but feel there's something Rachel's not telling me. A shadow in her past she won't talk about. And now... I'm starting to feel it too.

Like someone's watching me.

A heart-stopping psychological thriller from the author of THE WOMAN IN WARD 9, with twists that will leave you breathless.

Praise for THE EYEWITNESS:

'Deliciously twisty' **RHIANNON BARNESLEY**

'Completely unputdownable' **LUCY ROTH**

'Blew me away' **RUTH IRONS**

'Spine-tingling' **G. D. WRIGHT**

'Sinister and compelling' **CHRIS BRIDGES**

'Breathtaking' **SAM FRANCES**

Sales Points

- High-concept, female-led suspense, with a unique hook and a killer twist - this is genuinely an unputdownable read.
- Naomi's previous thriller, THE WOMAN IN WARD 9, has performed well in digital and has a high-star rating on NetGalley and Amazon.
- Naomi has previously written family drama for Avon as Lisa Timoney (Her Daughter's Secret, Her Mother's Lies and His Secret Wife), and uplifting fiction as Kate Storey, including The Memory Library. She's brilliantly networked and secured a number of endorsements for THE WOMAN IN WARD 9, including praise from Claire Douglas.
- Rights to THE WOMAN IN WARD 9 have sold in Germany (pre-empted by Goldmann), Ukraine, Romania, Portugal, Spain and Italy. Film & TV rights have been optioned by Sand and Snow Screen LLC

Reviews

- 'A compelling and twisty read that had me staying up late until my own eyes couldn't stay open. Clever, addictive and completely unputdownable' - Lucy Roth
- 'What. A. Book. The concept had me grabbing this book up with both hands, then the writing blew me away. This thriller takes off from the very first page, and pulls you on a wild, twisted ride. The characters and their relationships are so cleverly drawn, and I

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became completely invested in the mysterious medical case, and all its crazy implications! Fast-paced and devilishly clever, you won't sleep until you've read just one more chapter!' - Ruth Irons

- 'Deliciously twisty and sure to keep you up at night. You won't know who to trust in this gripping and nail-biting thriller' - Rhiannon Barnsley
- 'Naomi Williams has done it again. Spine-tingling, pacy and crackling with tension, *The Eyewitness* is one I'll remember' - G D Wright

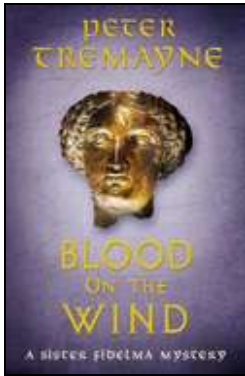
Author Biography

Originally from Yorkshire, Naomi Williams now lives in London with her husband and two teenage daughters. She started her career teaching English and Drama and now writes novels in a wide range of genres, including THE MEMORY LIBRARY (writing as Kate Storey) and HER DAUGHTER'S SECRET (writing as Lisa Timoney).

Naomi made her thriller debut with THE WOMAN IN WARD 9, which was an ebook bestseller. THE EYEWITNESS is her second psychological thriller.

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Format	Royal
Extent	368 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Can; Cw; EU; Ire; UK USA
Not for Sale	

Book locale	7th-century Isles of Scilly
Author born in	Coventry, England
Author living in	London, England

Previous Titles

Grave of the Lawgiver; Prophet of Blood; Revenge of the Stormbringer and many more

1st Serial	Headline
2nd Serial	Headline
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Blood on the Wind Sister Fidelma Mysteries Book 37

Peter Tremayne

Keynote

The thirty-seventh mystery in Peter Tremayne's long-standing and much-loved series, featuring 7th-century Irish super-sleuth Sister Fidelma.

Description

AD 673.

Sister Fidelma and her husband Eadulf are journeying back from the Kingdom of the East Angles to Cashel when a violent storm wrecks their ship on the Isles of Sulis. Seeking shelter, they discover that Lowarn, the ruler of the islands, has been poisoned in an assassination attempt, but who is the culprit? And what are their motives? Lowarn's sister, Sirona, begs Fidelma to investigate the case, while Eadulf uses his medical skills to tend to the dying king.

Embroiled in a dark world of murder, suspicion and intolerance, Fidelma and Eadulf must discover if the islands are truly cursed by the Goddess Sulis, as the locals believe, or if warring monarchs from foreign lands are responsible for the islands' fate . . .

Praise for the Sister Fidelma mysteries:

'The background detail is brilliantly defined . . . wonderfully evocative' **The Times**

'A challenging and unusual but deeply satisfying and enjoyable historical thriller' **Booklist**

'Tremayne expertly incorporates historical and legal details of the time into the suspenseful plot. This impressive volume bodes well for future series entries' **Publishers Weekly**

Sales Points

- The Sister Fidelma series has been in print for nearly thirty years, and continues to go from strength to strength
- This meticulously plotted historical series will be loved by fans of Ellis Peters, Anne Perry and Susanna Gregory
- There is an official Sister Fidelma fanclub (The International Sister Fidelma Society) and an annual conference in Cashel devoted entirely to the series
- Peter Tremayne is the pseudonym of Peter Berresford Ellis who is an established authority on the ancient Celts. Television rights to the Sister Fidelma series have been sold

Reviews

- 'A challenging and unusual but deeply satisfying and enjoyable historical thriller' - **Booklist**
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- 'Tremayne's super-sleuth is a vibrant creation, a woman of wit and courage who would stand out in any era, but brings a special sparkle to the wild beauty of medieval Ireland' - Morgan Llywelyn

Author Biography

Peter Tremayne is the fiction pseudonym of a well-known authority on the ancient Celts, who has utilised his knowledge of the Brehon law system and 7th-Century Irish society to create a new concept in detective fiction.



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Thema 1.6	Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA) Fiction: literary and general non-genre (FB) Dystopian and utopian fiction (FDB) Classic fiction: literary and general (FBC) Historical fiction (FV)

Binding	Hardback
Format	Demy
Extent	304 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Book locale	Maryland
Author born in	Pasadena, California
Author living in	Author deceased

Previous Titles

Dawn
Adulthood Rites
Imago
Kindred
Parable of the Sower
Parable of the Talents
Wild Seed
Mind of My Mind
Clay's Ark
Patternmaster
Fledgling
Bloodchild (novella)

1st Serial	Headline Publishing Group
2nd Serial	Headline Publishing Group
Audio	Writers House LLC
Dramatisation and documentary	Writers House LLC
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Film and TV	Writers House LLC
Large print	Headline Publishing Group
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Undramatised (straight) reading	Headline Publishing Group

Kindred a special edition of the groundbreaking modern classic

Octavia E. Butler

Keynote

A special hardback edition of Octavia E. Butler's groundbreaking modern classic.

Description

A special hardback edition of Octavia E. Butler's groundbreaking modern classic.

In 1976, Dana dreams of being a writer. In 1815, she is assumed to be a slave.

On her twenty-sixth birthday, Dana is suddenly wrenched through time to a Maryland plantation. Rufus, the white son of a slaveholder, is drowning. Without thinking, Dana rushes into the river to save him.

In that moment, neither Dana nor Rufus knows who they are to each other. But they will meet again and again as he realises his power to summon her whenever his life is threatened.

And as each stay grows longer and more dangerous, Dana begins to question whether her life is ending long before it's even begun.

An unflinching tale of power, brutality, survival, identity and love, *Kindred* is Butler's enduring masterpiece that reminds us how our present lives are shaped by history in ways we cannot afford to ignore.

Selected by *The Atlantic* as one of the 'most consequential novels of the past 100 years'

'A marvel of imagination, empathy and detail' ***New York Times***

'The marker you should judge all other time-travelling narratives by' ***Guardian***

'One of the most significant literary artists of the twentieth century. One cannot exaggerate the impact she has had' **Junot Diaz**

With stunning cover artwork by Eleni Debo and beautifully designed colour endpapers.

Sales Points

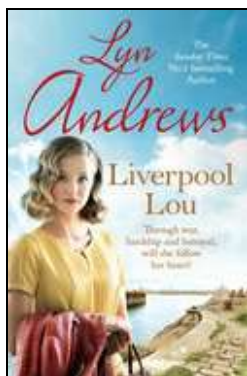
- A beautiful new hardback edition of this groundbreaking modern classic with specially commissioned cover artwork by Eleni Debo and full-colour endpapers.
- 2026 marks twenty years since Octavia E. Butler's untimely death. Interest in her books has increased enormously in the past decade as the issues she addressed in her Afrofuturistic, feminist novels and short fiction have only become more relevant. She became a *New York Times* bestselling author posthumously in 2020.
- 2026 is a major publishing year for Octavia E. Butler. In September, her cult-classic Patternist novel, *Survivor*, will be published for the first time in nearly fifty years, alongside new reissues of the whole Patternist series.
- Octavia E. Butler was a pioneering writer and woman: she was the first Black woman to receive Nebula and Hugo Awards, and the first science-fiction writer to be awarded a MacArthur Fellowship.

Reviews

- 'Butler's evocative, often troubling, novels explore far-reaching issues of race, sex, power and, ultimately, what it means to be human' - *New York Times*
- 'One of the most significant literary artists of the twentieth century. One cannot exaggerate the impact she has had' - Junot Diaz
- 'No novel I've read this year has felt as relevant, as gut-wrenching or as essential' - Caroline O'Donoghue

Author Biography

OCTAVIA E. BUTLER (1947-2006) was the renowned author of numerous ground-breaking novels, including *Kindred*, *Wild Seed*, and *Parable of the Sower*. Recipient of the Locus, Hugo and Nebula awards, and a PEN Lifetime Achievement Award for her body of work, in 1995 she became the first science-fiction writer to receive the MacArthur Fellowship 'genius grant'. A pioneer of her genre, Octavia's dystopian novels explore myriad themes of Black injustice, women's rights, global warming and political and economic disparity, and her work is taught in over two hundred colleges and universities nationwide.



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Thema 1.6	Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA) Family saga / generational saga fiction (FT) Historical romance (FRH) Family life fiction / Stories about family (FS) Liverpool (1DDU-GB-ENLL) c 1919 to c 1939 (Inter-war period) (3MPBG)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	544 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None

Book locale	Liverpool
Author born in	Liverpool
Author living in	Isle of Man

Previous Titles

Goodbye, Mersey View (2022)
The Girls from Mersey View (2020)

Reissues:

Mist Over the Mersey (2024)
The Leaving of Liverpool (2022)

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

Liverpool Lou

A moving saga of a young woman's strength during the hardships of the Second World War

Lyn Andrews

Keynote

As the Second World War transforms lives in a tight-knit Merseyside community, a young woman falls in love - but there is trouble ahead . . .

Description

**<h3>A moving and heartwarming wartime Merseyside saga from much-loved author Lyn Andrews</h3>
*Will she find her way in life - and love?***

Louisa Langford has always felt out of place in her aunt's home in Liverpool. Aunt Babsey believes that her family are a cut above their neighbours, and she runs the household with an iron fist, ensuring that Lou and her cousins don't mix with the wrong sort.

But Lou, principled and strong-willed, feels keenly the injustices of poverty that afflict many of her friends and neighbours. And, as she grows from girl to woman, she becomes determined to change the lives of those around her for the better.

With the outbreak of war in 1939, Lou and those she loves are confronted with some harsh realities. And she loses her heart to a man forbidden to her. Can she ever find her place in the world - and the happiness she deserves?

What readers are saying about *Liverpool Lou*:

'Brilliant story . . . Could not put it down. Had me in tears'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Just what you would expect from Lyn Andrews. Full of lifelike characters and good background knowledge. Really enjoyed it'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Another book I could not put down. Every one of her books is brilliant'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'A story about love and hate, war and peace, sadness and hope, murder and revenge, every emotion going. A book that's very hard to put down. An excellent read'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'One of the best books I've read' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

Sales Points

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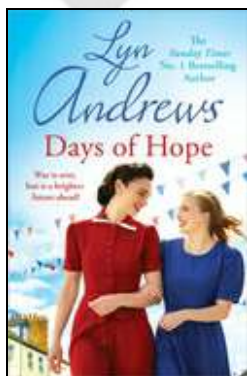
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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	480 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
Book locale	Liverpool, Ireland
Author born in	Liverpool
Author living in	Isle of Man

Previous Titles

Goodbye, Mersey View (2022)
The Girls from Mersey View (2020)

Reissues:

Mist Over the Mersey (2024)
The Leaving of Liverpool (2022)

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

Days of Hope Even after the war, hearts can still be broken...

Lyn Andrews

Keynote

Lyn Andrews' *Days of Hope* is a gripping saga of two sisters, and their search for happiness after the Second World War.

Description

<h3>A gripping saga set in 1940s Liverpool and Ireland, from much-loved author Lyn Andrews</h3>

The Second World War is finally over. In Liverpool the Devlin sisters are hoping for better days ahead . . .

Grace knows things won't return to the way they were. Nothing will bring back her beloved da or brother Harold. But practical, diligent Grace looks forward to leaving her job at the munitions factory and welcoming her brother Georgie home from the fighting.

Spirited Chrissie, however, is impatient for excitement and frivolity, and is bitterly disappointed by the ongoing rationing and hardships. So when she is swept off her feet by handsome Pat Kilroy, she impulsively follows him to Ireland.

While Grace picks up the pieces back home, Chrissie soon learns that life as a rural farmer's wife is far from idyllic. Can the sisters hold on to hope? And will fate bring them together once more?

What readers are saying about *Days of Hope*:

'*Days of Hope* is an excellent story, the characters are very well written . . . It's the book I recommend most of all to any reader of Lyn's'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Loved this book . . . don't know that any other book has reduced me to tears quite as much' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'This is a very good book . . . Gives a good idea of what Liverpool and Ireland were like just after the Second World War' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Such a gripping storyline, a heartrending book from start to finish'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'I have just finished this book and didn't want it to end. I really enjoyed it. It's my first Lyn Andrews book but will definitely not be my last'
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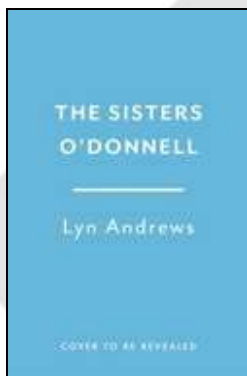
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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	576 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
Book locale	Liverpool, Ireland, Glasgow
Author born in	Liverpool
Author living in	Isle of Man

Previous Titles

Goodbye, Mersey View (2022)
The Girls from Mersey View (2020)

Reissues:

Mist Over the Mersey (2024)
The Leaving of Liverpool (2022)

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The Sisters O'Donnell

A moving saga of the power of family ties

Lyn Andrews

Keynote

Lyn Andrews writes a heart-warming family saga in *The Sisters O'Donnell* - a tale of chasing dreams and facing struggles, with the support of those you love.

Description

<h3>A heartwarming family saga set in 1920s Liverpool, from much-loved author Lyn Andrews</h3>
1922. The sisters O'Donnell are leaving Tipperary to find their fortunes in Liverpool . . .

Pragmatic Mary-Kate, the eldest sister, longs for a husband and family of her own. Gina, with a temper as fiery as her hair, dreams of being a star on stage. And shy, sensitive Bridget, the youngest, just wants to escape the threat of civil war back home.

But when the sisters arrive in Liverpool, they soon learn they have a long way to go to achieve their dreams. Their aunt's house is dangerously decrepit, money is dwindling fast, and work of any kind isn't so easy to come by - let alone a proper career.

Will the bonds of sisterhood be enough to hold Mary-Kate, Gina and Bridget together? Or will each sister have to follow her own path to build the life that she desires?

What readers are saying about *The Sisters O'Donnell*:

'This is a lovely story of the highs and lows of an Irish family in the time of 'the troubles', and how the three sisters strived to achieve all they wanted in life. A book I totally recommend' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Another fantastic book, couldn't put it down. Love, betrayal, tragedy all in this book. A truly wonderful author' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'A very good read - the twists and turns for the characters gave this story an immense sense of what each sister's dream entailed. Well worth reading this book' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'This book had me gripped from beginning to end. A definite must-read. The story of the three sisters is a journey and is very moving' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'I was riveted from start to finish. In my opinion a fantastic read' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

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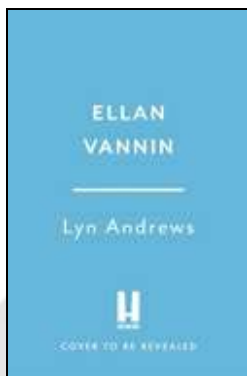
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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	416 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
Book locale	Isle of Man, New York, Liverpool
Author born in	Liverpool
Author living in	Isle of Man

Previous Titles

Goodbye, Mersey View (2022)
The Girls from Mersey View (2020)

Reissues:

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1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
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Ellan Vannin

After heartache, can happiness be found again?

Lyn Andrews

Keynote

Lyn Andrews writes a moving saga in *Ellan Vannin*, the tale of a young girl finding love and happiness after suffering unbearable heartache.

Description

**<h3> A moving saga of finding love and happiness after heartache, from much-loved author Lyn Andrews</h3>
*She won't give up until happiness is in her grasp . . .***

On the beautiful Isle of Man, Ellan Vannin is raised by her father's friend Maud Quirk after being orphaned at a young age. Aunt Maud is a stern woman with bitterness in her heart, and Ellan longs for something more than this rigid upbringing.

When a position becomes available at Glentrammon House, Aunt Maud forbids Ellan from taking it up. She holds the Costain family responsible for the mine collapse that killed her husband, and Ellan's father. When Ellan's head is turned by a young man who works for the Costains, it causes more conflict with her guardian.

But young Ellan is determined to seize any chance of happiness and independence, and she won't let anyone stand in her way . . .

What readers are saying about *Ellan Vannin*:

'It took me two days to read this. I read it anywhere I got the chance and I would recommend it to anyone who enjoys a heart-warming novel'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Another excellent book by Lyn Andrews. It's a book you can't wait to get to the end of to find out if she has succeeded after all the heartache'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Excellent writer . . . her knowledge of Liverpool and the time frame is amazing'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Another fabulous read . . . several times I thought I knew where the story was going only to be pleasantly surprised I was wrong' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Loved it, could not put it down . . . the trouble is I want to read more about Ellan Vannin, I want to know what happens next' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

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Main Identifier	9781035432424
Thema 1.6	Adventure / action fiction (FJ) Thriller / suspense fiction (FH)

Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	432 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Series	Wilde/Chase
Exclusively for Sale	Airports; Ire; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA

Book locale	USA, Europe, Russia.
Author born in	Halifax, UK.
Author living in	Bournemouth, UK.

Previous Titles
Wilde & Chase series
Operative 66 series
The Persona Protocol

1st Serial	Headline Publishing Group
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The Pandora Conspiracy

Andy McDermott

Keynote

A page-turning new Wilde & Chase adventure from the international bestselling author, perfect for fans of Scott Mariani and Clive Cussler.

Description

A THRILLING NEW WILDE & CHASE ADVENTURE FROM THE INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Pandora's Box has long been thought a myth.

But when archaeologist Nina Wilde and her husband, former SAS soldier Eddie Chase, are summoned to the White House for a secret meeting, it appears the legendary artefact is real, with the potential to bring great benefits to humanity - or unimaginable harm.

Mistrustful of the motives of those who want to find it, Nina sets out with Eddie on a mission that is the opposite of her usual goal: to ensure the ancient treasure remains undiscovered for ever.

But as more groups join the hunt - including one led by her own daughter Macy - Nina finds herself trapped in an ever more deadly race which, if she loses, could destroy the world as we know it - and if she wins will tear her family apart...

Praise for Andy McDermott:

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

Sales Points

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

Author Biography

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

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



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Author living in	Hartselle, Alabama
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The Magical Spice Tea Shop

An enchanting café (literally!), a grumpy meets sunshine romance and a delightfully cosy tale all wrapped in one

Amy Boyles

Keynote

A cosy and magical small town romance set in a Spice Tea Shop, from the writer of KU paranormal romances.

Description

'Brimming with warmth, whimsy and slow-burn charm' **Jessica Gadziala, My Big Fat Vampire Wedding**

Welcome to *The Magical Spice Tea Shop*, where your wildest dreams can come true with just a pinch of cinnamon . . .

~ Cosy romantasy
~ Rivals to lovers
~ Grumpy x sunshine
~ He falls first *and* he falls harder
~ Magical spices
~ Small town romance

On the edge of Willow Vale sits a tea shop, full of spices that can take you back into your memories, and if the rumours are true, even allow you to *change* those memories.

Left alone to run his parents shop, and very much out of his depth, **Finn** advertises for an assistant position. **Lila**, an ex-event planner with an uncanny ability to get under Finn's skin is the only applicant.

As an exasperated Finn and bubbly Lila struggle to find a working balance, terrible whispers begin to float in about a customer who is lost in her memories. Finn and Lila are forced to work together to find out what - or who - is sabotaging their shop, before the accidents force them to shut down the shop and sell it to a shark who is already circling.

As things heat up between the pair, will Lila ever be able to win over the grumpy Finn, or will he remain as closed off to her as he is to the Magical Spice Tea Shop?

From the author of *How to Fake it With a Fae* comes the perfect small town romance with a sprinkling of magic and undercurrent of healing fiction. Readers adore Amy Boyles's cosy romantasy books!

'Magic, fun and romance'
'It will make you laugh and cry'
'A joy to read'
'Wit and great banter'
'Small town romantic comedy at its best'

For fans of *The Ex Hex*, *The Baby Dragon Cafe*, *The Spell Shop* and *The Modern Girls Guide to Magic*.

Sales Points

- **A DIGITAL BESTSELLER:** Amy Boyles is a writer of paranormal and witchy romances with strong KU sales, particularly in the US. *How to Fake it With a Fae* sold 24k eBooks, with 28k KU downloads, and Amy had 68 million page reads across her eBooks as of 2024. With a deliciously trope-filled small-town romance, this has a strong package for the digital markets. With an engaged fanbase and digital newsletter, Amy is a connected author with a good platform on which to build buzz.
- **RIGHTS NEWS!:** Hungarian rights to Pioneer Books
- **HEADLINE ETERNAL:** At Eternal, Headline's boutique romance imprint, our mission is to ensure that any romance fan will find their heart's desire within the books on our list. Whether that be heartwarming, laugh-out-loud rom-coms, page-turning romantic thrillers or sweeping historicals, Eternal is the home of exceptional romance for every mood.

Reviews

- 'Cozy, comforting, and utterly charming. *The Magical Spice Teashop* is brimming with warmth, whimsy, and slow-burn charm' - Jessica Gadziala, My Big Fat Vampire Wedding

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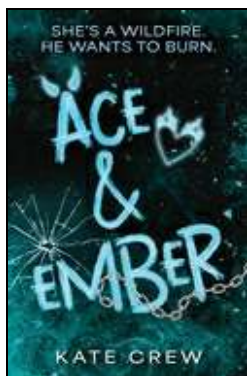
- 'If a tea cosy could be a book, it would be *The Magical Spice Tea Shop*. With its tenderly drawn characters and small-town charm, it'll warm your heart from start to finish. It's exactly my cup of tea' - Hazel Graves, author of *The Little Coffee Shop of Terrors*
- 'Readers searching for a remedy to warm the heart need look no further than *The Magical Spice Tea Shop*. Like a cup of ginger tea laced with cloves and honey, Amy Boyles's latest novel strikes the perfect blend of romance, mystery, and enchantment. A story brimming over with the power of second chances, this one asks us to linger over things worth savoring: love, hope, and daydreams that turn into real possibilities the longer they steep.' - Stacy Sivinski, author of *The Crescent Moon Tea Room*

Author Biography

Amy Boyles is an Amazon All-Star author, pharmacist, and a resident of North Alabama. She loves antique shopping, watching K-dramas, and cooking for her family (which includes her husband, daughters, and Leo the Pug). When she's not chaperoning her two kids to after-school activities, she can be found reading a good romance.

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Ace & Ember

The addictive and electric follow up to TikTok sensation Rook & Rebel!

Kate Crew

Keynote

The sexy sequel to the TikTok-trending dark rom-com, Rook & Rebel

Description

Hop on for the wildest ride yet in the next installment to Kate Crew's extra spicy series, The Mavericks!

A forbidden desire. A game of cat and mouse. A love that could ruin everything.

Evie Emberson is trouble. Smart-mouthed, confident, and relentless-especially when she's looking for answers. She's a hacker with a past that just won't stay buried, so laying low isn't exactly her strong suit. Especially when *he's* around.

Aiden "Ace" Callahan is her brother's best friend-brooding, loyal, and a walking contradiction. As a member of the motorcycle gang, he lives by a code. Rule number one? *Don't touch Evie.*

But she's not a kid anymore. She's fire and chaos and everything he shouldn't want. Getting involved would blow up the only family he's ever had-but walking away is getting harder every damn day.

When stolen glances spirals into something darker, hotter, they go past the point of no return. And the more they try to hide it, the more it threatens to consume them.

Sales Points

- ROOK & REBEL was a top ten KU bestseller
- A funny, sexy dark romance perfect for fans of Lights Out by Navessa Allen and Butcher & Blackbird by Brynne Weaver
- ROOK & REBEL was a TikTok sensation with the audiobook also going viral
- Kate Crew has over 20k followers on Instagram
- TROPES:

**Brothers best friend
Enemies to lovers
Forbidden romance
Biker romance
Morally grey MMC
Found family**

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One Shattered Crown

Rebecca Zanetti

Keynote

From the *New York Times* bestselling author Rebecca Zanetti comes a modern play on *Cinderella* that is perfect for fans of Katee Robert and Scarlett St. Claire - the third in a seductive dark romance series, after *One Dark Kiss*.

Description

***She came to steal a crown.
But I'll seize her first.***

It's the wedding of the year, but **Ella Rendale** is there for one reason only: vengeance against the woman who stole her late father's company and shipped her off to boarding school. Tonight is her chance to reclaim control - unless the groom's unbearably hot brother ruins everything . . .

Justice Beathach hasn't forgiven Ella for almost killing his brother. But tonight he only cares about one thing: the flash drive she leaves behind, spelling his destruction. She can run, she can hide, but when he finds her, she'll give him what he wants.

But someone else wants Ella dead too. And when enemies close in, Justice is forced to protect her, turning the fire between them into an uncontrollable weapon. And he'll kill anyone who even thinks of taking her from him . . .

For fans of Scarlett St. Clair, Harley Laroux, and Emily McIntire, *New York Times* bestselling author Rebecca Zanetti explores the sumptuous and sparkling world of greed, seduction and explosive desire in this modern dark romance twist on *Cinderella* - the second in a captivating new series set in a seductive world of money, power, billionaires, and the dangerous desires that drive them . . .

'Sexy and utterly engrossing!' **J.T. Geissinger**

'A uniquely magical world filled with seduction and betrayal' **Library Journal**

Sales Points

- **HIGH-HEAT DARK ROMANTASY:** For fans of authors like Katee Robert, Scarlett St. Clair, Jennifer Armentrout and Sarah J Mass.
- **NEW SERIES OF TWISTED FAIRYTALES:** Rebecca plays with common fairytale tropes with this new dark romance series, turning them on their head and twisting them to reveal human nature's most dark impulses. *One Shattered Crown* is an enthralling reimagining of *Cinderella*, after *One Dark Kiss*'s take on *Snow White*.
- **BESTSELLING AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR:** Rebecca Zanetti is a two-time RT Reviewers' Choice Award winner, the recipient of the RWA Daphne du Maurier Award, a five-time Daphne du Maurier Award-finalist, a PRISM Award-winner, and a two-time PRISM Award-finalist.
- **HEADLINE ETERNAL:** At Eternal, Headline's boutique romance imprint, our mission is to ensure that any romance fan will find their heart's desire within the books on our list. Whether that be heartwarming, laugh-out-loud rom-coms, page-turning romantic thrillers or sweeping historicals, Eternal is the home of exceptional romance for every mood.

Author Biography

New York Times bestselling author **Rebecca Zanetti** has worked as an art curator, Senate aide, lawyer, college professor, and a hearing examiner - only to culminate it all in stories about Alpha males and the women who claim them. She writes dark paranormals, romantic suspense, and sexy contemporary romances.

Growing up amid the glorious backdrops and winter wonderlands of the Pacific Northwest has given Rebecca fantastic scenery and adventures to weave into her stories. She resides in the wild north with her husband, children, and extended family who inspire her every day - or at the very least give her plenty of characters to write about.

Visit Rebecca at www.rebeccazanetti.com, on Twitter [@RebeccaZanetti](https://twitter.com/RebeccaZanetti) and on Facebook, www.facebook.com/RebeccaZanetti.Author.FanPage



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Pride Comes Before a Fall

Virginia Heath

Keynote

The third instalment of a witty and charming Regency romcom series by Virginia Heath, filled with whip-smart banter, swoony romance, hilarious mishaps, and twisty reveals! Perfect for fans of Martha Waters, Sophie Irwin and *Bridgerton*, this follows a headstrong chaperone who is torn between following her rigid principles or her heart.

Description

'Virginia Heath's fun characters and situations will have you laughing out loud!' SABRINA JEFFRIES

'Filled with fabulously British banter, wit, and heart' EVIE DUNMORE

'Heath is carving a name for herself in historical rom-coms' BOOKLIST starred review

There is nothing **Duke Leopold Sloane** takes more seriously than the safety of those he loves. So, when one of his sisters is injured at a protest rally, he drags his family to Bath for the summer, hiring a chaperone to keep them safe. The one thing he doesn't plan for is his overwhelming but inexplicable attraction to the chaperone herself - an outspoken conundrum of a woman who soon causes him more trouble than both his sisters combined.

From the moment **Portia Kendall** read her first revolutionary pamphlet, she realised her true calling was to make the world a fairer place. That led her to *Equitas*, a radical newspaper championing reform. But writing doesn't pay the bills, and to make a living, she must push aside her principles and serve the very people she despises. Working as a chaperone in a rich family couldn't be further from her ideal job, but the more time she spends with him, Portia realises she might have misjudged the surprisingly dashing duke . . .

Dare she risk her principles for love, or will her pride get in the way?

Readers adore Virginia Heath's charming Regency rom-coms!

'An utterly heartwarming and hilarious romp through regency England . . . Virginia Heath's new series is the perfect blend of humour and romance that *Bridgerton* fans will fall head over heels for' **5⭐**

'A fresh, fun and a totally original take on the regency romance genre . . . the witty banter is brilliant and so entertaining! . . . I can't wait to read more from this author' **5⭐**

'I absolutely loved this book . . . A historical romance with humour. Looking forward to the next book by Virginia Heath' **5⭐**

'The first in a new series & boy what a starter, it had me hooked & giggling from the first page . . . If you want a humorous, entertaining often farcical yet romantic read look no further' **5⭐**

Sales Points

- **AN EXCITING NEW SERIES:** As the popularity of contemporary rom-coms continues to thrive, now we're seeing a new trend within historical romance, incorporating rom-com plots into Regency settings, and Virginia Heath's sparkling writing is perfect for fans of Martha Waters, Evie Dunmore and *Bridgerton*.
- **KEY COMPS:** With fans keenly awaiting the next season of *Bridgerton*, this is the perfect moment to introduce readers to a new Regency series. Virginia's rom-coms manage to hit the sweet spot of appealing to these new fans from the TV show, as well as longer-running fans of the genre who love books such as Evie Dunmore's *Bringing Down the Duke*.
- **HEADLINE ETERNAL:** At Eternal, Headline's boutique romance imprint, our mission is to ensure that any romance fan will find their heart's desire within the books on our list. Whether that be heartwarming, laugh-out-loud rom-coms, page-turning romantic thrillers or sweeping historicals, Eternal is the home of exceptional romance for every mood.

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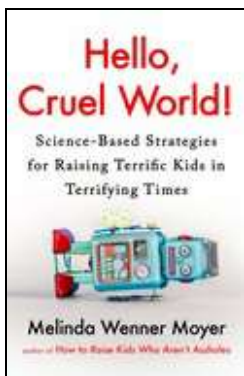
When Virginia Heath was a little girl it took her ages to fall asleep, so she made up stories in her head to help pass the time while she was staring at the ceiling. As she got older, the stories became more complicated, sometimes taking weeks to get to the happy



ending. Then one day, she decided to embrace the insomnia and start writing them down. Twenty-one books and two Romantic Novel of the Year Award nominations later, and it still takes her forever to fall asleep.

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Hello, Cruel World! Science-Based Strategies for Raising Terrific Kids in Terrifying Times

Melinda Wenner Moyer

Keynote

From the author of *How to Raise Kids Who Aren't Assholes* comes a science-based, hopeful guide on how to raise children who will not just survive, but thrive in this challenging, terrifying world - and who could ultimately help save it.

Description

In the blink of an eye, our kids will be adults facing countless serious threats - climate change, political polarization and disinformation, to name but a few. We're not going to be able to solve all these intractable problems before our kids grow up - so how are we to prepare them for an impossibly complex and scary future?

Plagued by this question, award-winning science journalist Melinda Wenner Moyer interviewed parenting experts and researchers across multiple fields - psychology, education, information literacy, technology, business and even addiction. What she discovered: even in these uncertain times, we can still teach our kids how to take care of themselves, fight for what they believe in and bridge divides in ways most adults aren't equipped to do.

In *Hello, Cruel World!*, Moyer provides practical, comprehensive, science-backed tools to help our children handle the world they will inherit. Her strategies help children develop three core attributes - coping mechanisms, connection techniques, and cultivation practices - so that kids can learn to set boundaries, take responsibility for their actions, build healthy relationships in turbulent times and much more. By being activists in our parenting, we can set our kids up to not just survive, but also build a better world for themselves and future generations.

Sales Points

- **EXPERT PARENTING ADVICE:** The success of Jonathan Haidt's book *The Anxious Generation* has proved that parents are worried about preparing children for this Brave New World they're inheriting. This is a science-based book full of actionable solutions for this exact reader.
- **TARGET CONSUMER:** For readers of *The Anxious Generation*, *All Joy and No Fun*, *You Can't Fuck Up Your Kids*, *Cribsheet*, *How to Stop Losing Your Shit with Your Kids*, *Thrivers*, *How to Raise Successful People*, and *Outdoor Kids in an Inside World*.
- **AUTHOR WITH CONNECTIONS:** Melinda Wenner Moyer is an award-winning science journalist based in New York's Hudson Valley, and is a contributing editor at *Scientific American* and a regular contributor (and former columnist) for *The New York Times*. She has also written for the *Boston Globe*, *Mother Jones*, *Nature*, *O: The Oprah Magazine*, and *Women's Health*.
- **IMPRESSIVE PLATFORM AND STRONG SALES TRACK:** Moyer has a highly engaged community - 42K followers on Instagram, 19K followers on Twitter, and 25K subscribers to her popular Substack parenting newsletter *Is My Kid the Asshole?* - who showed up for her first book, *How to Raise Kids Who Aren't Assholes* and are clamoring for this new one.
- **RESEARCH AND PROVEN SOLUTIONS:** Melinda is the winner of the 2019 Bricker Award - an award that recognizes writers with the skill to craft technical advances into must-read stories, and the tenacity to place them in the public spotlight.

Reviews

- "The latest book by science journalist Melinda Wenner Moyer should be top of your pile. Designed as a research-backed guide to help parents equip their children with the tools they need to thrive. The chapters are short and readable, broken down into bite-sized sections, each giving you one piece of advice and the science to back it up. Moyer oozes empathy and can help you take a kids'-eye view on even their most infuriating behaviours." **Catherine de Lange, *New Scientist***
- "There are some books that i return to time and time again to help me with parenting - and life itself. *Hello, Cruel World!* is destined to become one of those well-thumbed manuals. The three biggest messages from [it] are to listen more than you lecture (and when you introduce rules, explain why); comfort more than you chide; and prepare more than you protect. These messages feel crucial if we want our children to feel compassion towards themselves and other people." **Genevieve Roberts, *The i Paper***
- "A much-needed manual for building character in kids. Melinda Wenner Moyer is a leading voice on parenting, and her book is packed with evidence-based, non-obvious practical advice for nurturing resilience, kindness, critical thinking and well-being." **Adam Grant, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *Think Again*, and host of the podcast Re:Thinking**

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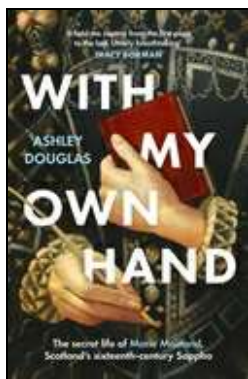
- "In *Hello, Cruel World!*, Melinda Wenner Moyer tackles the most pressing and controversial issues in modern parenting with remarkable clarity and depth. Her strategies, rooted in cutting-edge science and real-world experience, help parents understand how to foster compassion and resilience, navigate the social media landscape, engage with kids in ways that will reduce bias and polarization, teach key information literacy skills, and more. *Hello, Cruel World!* is an essential roadmap for parenting in the 21st century - an indispensable guide for any parent trying to raise a confident, compassionate, self-aware child in today's tumultuous climate.' **Tina Payne Bryson, Ph.D., *New York Times* bestselling co-author of *The Whole-Brain Child***

Author Biography

Melinda Wenner Moyer is an award-winning contributing editor at *Scientific American*, a regular contributor to *The New York Times* and a former faculty member at NYU's Arthur L. Carter Journalism Institute. *How to Raise Kids Who Aren't Assholes* was her first book. She also writes the popular Substack newsletter *Now What?*

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With My Own Hand The secret life of Marie Maitland, Scotland's sixteenth-century Sappho

Ashley Douglas

Keynote

The untold story of the remarkable life of Marie Maitland

Description

'A really thrilling discovery . . . This is a real extension of our knowledge of women of the period, engagingly told' - Philippa Gregory

'It held me captive from the first page to the last. Utterly breathtaking' - Tracy Borman

The youngest of the Maitland siblings, Marie had watched her elder sisters be married off one by one, destined to take up the unavoidable path for women in sixteenth-century Scotland. However, as she neared marrying age, her father, an influential judge, poet and Keeper of the Privy Seal under Mary, Queen of Scots, went blind and suddenly needed someone to act as his scribe and secretary. In taking up this role, Marie indeed avoided the unavoidable, dedicating her life to her father's work. After his death, she put the finishing touches on the *Maitland Quarto*, long recognised as significant for its preservation of the poetry of the male great-and-good of sixteenth-century Scotland.

A rare feat for a woman at the time, but Marie's story doesn't stop there. For hidden in the pages of the *Maitland Quarto*, historian and translator Ashley Douglas discovered Marie's own secret lesbian love poetry. Penning such poetry in the hostile climate of post-Reformation Scotland, with its suffocating tightening of moral control over society, was an incredible act of bravery. Unable to sign it directly, Marie, insistent on her voice and love being known, littered the manuscript with clues to its true penmanship. Clues that, until now, have remained unseen.

Building on her initial discovery of Marie's poetry, in *With My Own Hand* Ashley Douglas draws on a vast range of newly unearthed primary historical records to tell the fascinating story of Marie and her manuscript, in full, for the very first time.

Sales Points

- **UNTOLD STORY:** Despite the extensive literature on the Maitland's and the *Maitland Quarto*, Marie has never been given the spotlight, nor has anyone uncovered the truth behind the *Quarto* - that it contains hidden poetry penned by Marie.
- **WELL-CONNECTED AUTHOR:** Ashley has good connections with the National Museum of Scotland, National Galleries of Scotland, Historic Scotland and National Library of Scotland. She has twice served as a judge for the Saltire National Book Awards.
- **STRONG COMPS:** *With My Own Hand* will appeal to readers of *Normal Women*, *Embroidering Her Truth*, *The Secret Diaries of Miss Anne Lister*, *Super-Infinite*, *Queen James* and more.

Reviews

- 'Absolutely **mesmerising**, Douglas's meticulously **detailed research** reveals a **fascinating story** that's been lost for centuries' - Sara Sheridan
- 'Though a work of non-fiction, this is a **teasing and tantalising historical drama**, **beautifully written** by Douglas' - Sass MacDonald
- '*With My Own Hand* is a **necessary** act of queer historical reclamation. In recovering Marie Maitland from the margins of manuscript culture, Ashley Douglas does more than reconstruct a life: she demonstrates that women's same-sex desire was part of the lived and articulated reality of the early modern world. At a time when the legitimacy of queer lives is again contested in public discourse, this return to a sixteenth-century woman who loved women feels not antiquarian but **urgent**. The power of the book lies in its archival seriousness, in its patient reading of documents, contexts and silences, and in its refusal to allow women's desire to be footnoted or euphemised out of history. **This is not simply biography; it is the restoration of a lineage.** Douglas reminds us that queer history survives not by accident, but because someone chooses to look for it. **An important and timely contribution** to the history of women who loved women' - Christopher Stephens, author of *The Light of Day*
- 'Set against the backdrop of one of the most turbulent periods in Scottish history, this is the story of forbidden but enduring love, of the strength of the female spirit in a world dominated by men, and above all of an extraordinary woman far ahead of her time. **It held me captive from the first page to the last. Utterly breathtaking**' - Tracy Borman

Author Biography

Ashley Douglas is a Scottish historian and translator. Ashley has two master's degrees - one in Scottish Historical Studies from the University of St Andrews and another in Archaeology from the University of the Highlands and Islands. Since graduating in 2016,

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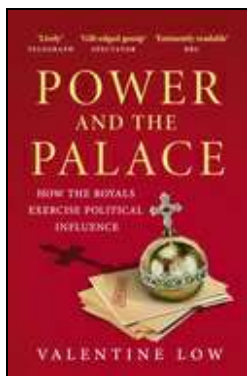


Ashley has developed a national profile and successful freelance career as a translator, historian, speaker and consultant, specialising in LGBT history and the Scots language. She has worked with and written for a range of national heritage, literary and educational organisations, including the National Library of Scotland, Historic Environment Scotland, Time for Inclusive Education, and Scottish National Galleries. In 2023, Ashley was named as one of the '15 most influential women in culture' in Scotland in a list created to mark International Women's Day. In 2024, she consulted on *Katherine: James V*, the latest instalment in Rona Munro's acclaimed *The James Plays* series; she is currently consulting on James VI, which will be staged in 2027.

Ashley is the author of the essay *My Sapphic City*, which was published as part of the anthology *who will be remembered here* (Historic Environment Scotland, 2025). She is also the author of *The Lass and The Quine* (2025), the first ever original LGBT inclusive children's book in the Scots language.

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Power and the Palace

How the Royals Exercise Political Influence

Valentine Low

Keynote

***Power and the Palace* pulls back the curtain on the hidden relationship between the sovereign and the prime minister - and sheds a revealing new light on the past, present and future of the monarchy.**

Description

'Lively . . . peppered with entertaining lines. One of [Low's] skills as a journalist is an ability to sift through mountains of archive material and pick out the gems' - *Telegraph*

Covering 200 years of royal history from Queen Victoria to King Charles, and looking forward to the future reign of King William, *Power and the Palace* is the gossip-laden and highly revelatory account of the relationship between the sovereign and the prime minister - the real story behind *The Crown*.

Power and the Palace lifts the lid on the mysterious power nexus at the heart of the British state: the secretive and little understood relationship between the monarchy and the government. In vivid, page-turning prose, Valentine Low takes us behind the scenes of the weekly audience to uncover the ever-changing dynamic between sovereign and prime minister - from the romance and flattery that bound Victoria and Benjamin Disraeli, to the personal and political gulf that separated Elizabeth II from Margaret Thatcher.

He reveals how the monarchy has gradually ceded political power over the past two hundred years while behind closed doors fighting to keep its finances secure - ensuring the long-term survival of the institution. But it has not all been smooth sailing, and the book includes moments of dramatic tension when the relationship threatened to unravel.

Based on nearly 100 interviews with senior politicians, top civil servants, royal aides and constitutional experts, *Power and the Palace* rewrites our understanding of the political power of the monarchy.

Sales Points

- The book is based on nearly 100 interviews with senior politicians (including one former prime minister), top civil servants, royal aides and constitutional experts.
- *The Crown* shone a spotlight on the changing dynamic between the monarch and the prime minister - a relationship that is still little understood - and this book goes into much more depth.
- Valentine is a top journalist with a proven track record of breaking stories with global reach, and this book will attract worldwide headlines on publication.

Reviews

- 'Lively . . . peppered with entertaining lines. One of [Low's] skills as a journalist is an ability to sift through mountains of archive material and pick out the gems.' - Anita Singh, *Telegraph*
- 'Eminently readable . . . eye-catching anecdotes' - Sean Coughlan, BBC
- 'well-researched; flashes of brilliance . . . Where the book succeeds is in tone: brisk, clear, never reverential. Low is a lovely writer.' - Robert Jobson, *Standard*
- 'Valentine Low is an old-school royal journalist . . . It is his disarming charm . . . that has guaranteed him access to the great and occasionally ghastly in the higher echelons of British society. Low's gilt-edged gossip would not eventually disappoint . . . Even [his] musings on monarchy's historic power games proved a pleasure.' - Tessa Dunlop, *Spectator*

Author Biography

Valentine Low is a writer and journalist who was for many years royal correspondent at *The Times*. He has written about the royal family since 2008, and during that time has produced a number of exclusives, including the exposure of bullying allegations against the Duchess of Sussex which made headlines around the world. His last book, *Courtiers: The Hidden Power Behind the Crown*, was a *Sunday Times* bestseller. He lives in London.



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A Haunting at Venus Bay

A compelling dual-time story of secrets, a mysterious disappearance and coming home

Julie Brooks

Keynote

Set on the beautiful Australian coastline of Victoria comes an immersive dual-time novel of secrets, marriage and coming home - from the author of *The Keepsake*

Description

A home. A disappearance. And a mystery that spans a century...

When Cass leaves London with a fractured heart, she plans to settle in Australia, specifically in the beautiful area of Victoria coastline where she spent so many happy holidays. Yet when she arrives, her house is not quite what she'd envisaged - doing a place up is one challenge, living with things that go bump in the night is quite another.

Years earlier, Minna and her mother have escaped war torn Europe to join the fairgrounds. There, Minna meets Albert, a man clearly who wants a wife who will also be a full-time worker on the farm near Venus Bay. Albert has no interest in Minna, nor tolerance of her desire to become a writer. When he, and then Minna, both disappear, the mystery of what has happened to them stays buried, seemingly for ever...

It will take Cass, and the discovery of a hidden book, to unravel the secrets of a childhood and a marriage, and a story that will also help her live again.

Two women, decades apart, and a house that brings them together.

Readers love *A Haunting at Venus Bay*:

'A thoroughly intriguing, haunting and mysterious tale' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'The writing wove magical pictures . . . an exceptional story' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'An addictive and atmospheric dual timeline story' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'Compelling backstories of loss and haunting (literally and figuratively)' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'Well written and thought provoking' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

Sales Points

- Set entirely in Australia, from the bestselling author of THE SECRETS OF BRIDGEWATER BAY
- A dual-time novel for readers of dual-time historical fiction
- For readers of Lucinda Riley; Kate Morton; Hannah Richell;

Author Biography

Julie Brooks was born in Brisbane, Australia, but has lived most of her life in Melbourne. She taught English and Drama in secondary schools before working as an editor of children's magazines. She has been a full-time author since 1999 and is the author of several young adult novels as well as children's fiction and non-fiction. *The Secrets of Bridgewater Bay*, *The Keepsake* and *The Heirloom* are her novels writing as Julie Brooks.

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The Letter Carrier

The sweeping international bestseller of one woman loved by two brothers

Francesca Giannone

Translated by Elettra Pauletto

Keynote

In a novel that is a bestselling phenomenon in Italy, a newcomer to a small town brings with her a gust of modernity, stirring up the passions and secrets of a community on the cusp of change.

Description

What would happen if you finally met your soul mate - but they were married to someone else?

THE GLOBAL PHENOMENON AND USA TODAY BESTSELLER

'Ambition, forbidden love and great longing... A magnificent storyteller' Adriana Trigiani

Salento, Italy, June 1934. A coach stops in the main square of Lizzanello, a tight-knit village where everyone knows each other. A couple gets off: The man, Carlo, a child of the South, is happy to be back home after a long time away; the woman, Anna his wife, is a stranger from the North. Carlo's brother is there to meet them, and he and everyone else can't help but notice that Anna is as beautiful as a Greek statue. But Anna is not like the other wives. She doesn't gossip or attend church. She reads books no one else has ever heard of. She even wears pants, just like a man, and thinks a woman should have rights just like a man. There aren't many options for a woman with Anna's sensibilities, so when she learns that the post office is hiring, she leaps at the opportunity.

A female letter carrier? It is unthinkable. But Anna soon becomes the invisible thread connecting the town as she delivers letters between clandestine lovers, families waiting to hear news of loved ones away at war, even helping those who can't read. But for some in Lizzanello, letters come too little and too late. The seamstress, who was Carlo's first love, can't help but look at Anna as having taken her rightful place. Carlo's niece has put herself in a loveless marriage after an impetuous act of jealousy. And Carlo and his brother find themselves trying to cover up a recently unearthed surprise that could shatter all of their lives.

'Transportive, poignant, lush... Giannone brings the sun-soaked vineyards of southern Italy to life. At the beating heart of it all is Anna, the rule-breaking, big-hearted letter carrier' Juliet Grames

'Weaving herself into the fabric of a southern Italian village during WWII, Anna challenges the status quo as the first female letter carrier in town' Barnes & Noble

'[A] five-star read . . . If you love a family saga, sprinkled with historical fiction elements, and strong female protagonists, you need to read this book' *theSkimm*

Sales Points

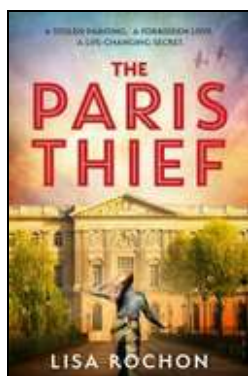
- **INTERNATIONAL PHENOMENON:** now licensed in an extraordinary 43 territories. Originally published in Italy by Nord as LA PORTALETTERE and was the biggest-selling debut novel of the year in Italy.
- **INSPIRED BY THE AUTHOR'S GREAT-GRANDMOTHER'S STORY:** Anna, the letter carrier, a woman ahead of her time, was drawn movingly from the author's own great-grandmother's story.
- **A FRESCO OF A FAMILY THROUGH HISTORY:** sweeping through the 1930s to the 1950s, through the war and the fight for women's rights, *The Letter Carrier* is perfect for readers of Elena Ferrante and *Chocolat*.

Author Biography

Francesca Giannone graduated in communication science and studied at the CSC in Rome, the oldest European film school. She has published various short stories in literary magazines, both in print and online. She currently lives in Milan, but her heart is still in her native Lizzanello, a seaside town in the Salento region. She hopes to live there again one day. *The Letter Carrier* is her debut novel.

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The Paris Thief

A captivating story of forbidden love, courage and betrayal in Occupied Paris

Lisa Rochon

Keynote

A powerful story of love, betrayal and sacrifice in occupied Paris, inspired by true events and the forgotten women who saved some of the world's great masterpieces.

Description

For readers of *The Nightingale* by Kristin Hannah, *The Paris Library* and *The Paris Bookseller*, a story of love, betrayal and sacrifice. In wartime Paris, a woman is entrusted with saving the Mona Lisa during the Nazi occupation - until her first love walks back into her life now wearing the uniform of the enemy.

She feels the weight of her responsibility, the weight of her secret. With bitter hands, she wraps up the portrait, closes the case and clicks the latches in place.

1910: Eighteen-year-old Mathilde has escaped her lonely provincial childhood to become a painter in Montmartre. Moving in bohemian circles, she models for Picasso and lives hedonistically amongst the artists, writers and intellectuals of Paris. But when the Mona Lisa is stolen from the Louvre, and a number of Mathilde's friends and lovers become suspects, life will never be the same again.

1940: As the enemy marches into Paris, Mathilde, now an archivist at the Louvre, is tasked with the evacuation of hundreds of priceless masterpieces to the Château de Chambord. With her she carries a secret - the Mona Lisa is now under her sole protection, safe from looters. Nobody must discover its whereabouts. But when a face from her past arrives at the château, dressed in Nazi uniform, Mathilde finds herself agonisingly torn between love and duty . . .

Sales Points

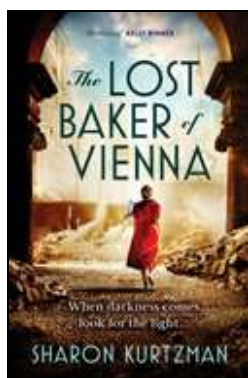
- **INSPIRED BY REAL EVENTS:** Based on the 1911 theft of the Mona Lisa and the forgotten women who saved some of the world's great masterpieces in World War Two.
- **BESTSELLING CANADIAN AUTHOR:** Lisa Rochon's debut novel, *Tuscan Daughter*, was a national bestseller in Canada. HarperCollins Canada will publish *The Paris Thief* in July 2026.
- **AUTHENTIC RESEARCH:** Lisa undertook extensive research for *The Paris Thief* including a rare sleepover in the 480-room Chateau de Chambord and time at the Louvre.

Reviews

- 'Glorious . . . Impeccably researched and rife with lush detail and life's wisdom' - Toronto Star on *Tuscan Daughter*

Author Biography

Lisa Rochon is a writer, an award-winning architecture critic, cultural commentator and essayist. She is the two-time winner of a National Newspaper Award for her "City Space" column in *The Globe and Mail* and the recipient of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada's President's Award for Architectural Journalism. Educated at the University of Toronto and in Paris at Sciences Po and École du Louvre, she is passionate about seeing the world afresh and with new complexity through female eyes. Rochon splits her time between Toronto and Europe. Her first novel, *Tuscan Daughter*, was a bestseller in Canada.



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The Lost Baker of Vienna

The breathtaking love story inspired by true events after the Holocaust

Sharon Kurtzman

Keynote

Inspired by the extraordinary true story of the author's mother and her family, *The Lost Baker of Vienna* is a testament to the courage and defiance of women in a world torn apart.

Description

Papa whispered to Chana, 'If we get separated, if something happens to me, look after Mama and Aron. And one last thing-' He smoothed an affectionate hand over her hair. 'Remember everything I've taught you, and all your gifts. Promise me this.'

1946. Having survived a concentration camp, Chana Rosenzweig arrives in Vienna seeking not only protection for her and her family, but also the freedom to be a baker, just as her father had once been. Torn between a black-market dealer who offers escape to Europe, and an apprentice baker who shares her dreams, Chana battles to stay true to herself and the promise she made her father to live against all odds...

2018. When Zoe Rosenzweig's beloved grandfather dies, Zoe travels to Vienna to speak to an elusive man who may be the only person who can help her unearth the hidden story of her grandparents. Haunted by what she does not know, Zoe risks her journalism career and her home to find the truth.

Inspired by the extraordinary experiences of the author's mother and her family during and after the Holocaust, *The Lost Baker of Vienna* is a testament to the courage and defiance of women in a world torn apart.

'A tale of grit, bravery, and humanity that will not soon be forgotten' **KATE QUINN**
'Family love and sacrifice drive this heart-wrenching story' **DIANE CHAMBERLAIN**
'A beautifully drawn story of survival. I loved every word of it' **KELLY RIMMER**
'A timely tale of hardship and hope, with strong, resilient women at its core' **GEORGIA HUNTER**

'By turns mysterious, tender, suspenseful and moving. I was captivated' **THERESE ANNE FOWLER**

'A story of love, family and second chances...moving and unforgettable' **PAM JENOFF**

Real readers love *The Lost Baker of Vienna*:

⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ 'Wow, what a beautiful book' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ 'The story of Chana, a Jewish young woman and her strength, perseverance, and courage'

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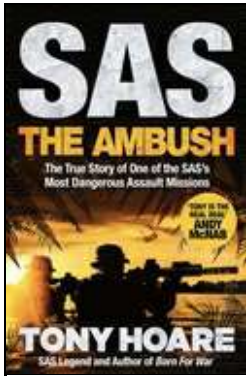
⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ 'Enjoyed the characters'

Sales Points

- **A DEEPLY PERSONAL NOVEL, *THE LOST BAKER OF VIENNA* IS A WAY FOR THE AUTHOR TO HONOUR HER FAMILY'S HERITAGE.**
- **ACQUIRED IN A PRE-EMPT BY PAMELA DORMAN BOOKS/VIKING AND PERFECT FOR THE BOOK CLUB MARKET.** It will appeal to readers who loved *We Were The Lucky Ones* by Georgia Hunter and *Sarah's Key* by Tatiana de Rosnay.
- **INTERNATIONAL RIGHTS SALES:** US (Pamela Dorman Books), Holland (De Boekerij), France (Editions Charleston/Leduc), Spain (Urano), Portugal (Leya/Casa das Letras), Russia (MTS/Stroki)
- **AUTHOR IS FOOD WRITER AND THE FAMILY TRADITION OF BAKING IS A WARM AND AUTHENTIC THREAD RUNNING THROUGH THIS NOVEL.**

Author Biography

Sharon Kurtzman earned her MFA in Writing from Vermont College of Fine Arts. As a freelance food writer, her work has appeared in *INDY Week* and *South Writ Large*, and she served as a judge in the North Carolina Triangle's 2019 Chicken Soup Cookoff. She is also a former blogger for *The Huffington Post* and a former contributor at BetterAfter50.com. She has had two fiction pieces nominated for the Pushcart Prize, and won the 2018 Grand Prize in *Carolina Woman Magazine's* annual writing contest. Sharon has been a writer-in-residence at the Weymouth Center for the Arts and Humanities and is a member of the Women's Fiction Writers Association. Sharon grew up in New Jersey and now calls the South home.



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SAS: The Ambush The True Story of One of the SAS's Most Dangerous Assault Missions

Tony Hoare

Keynote

The explosive real-life story of the mission to ambush a dangerous rebel group in Sierra Leone, as retold by ex-SAS soldier and author Tony Hoare.

Description

'Tony is the real deal' Andy McNab

Sierra Leone, 2000.

While on patrol as part of a peacekeeping mission, eleven British soldiers are kidnapped.

The captors are a dangerous rebel group known as the West Side Boys. Fuelled by alcohol and drugs, the behaviour of the rebels is notoriously unpredictable. How long the soldiers have, no one knows. Rescuing them becomes the British military's highest priority, and so they bring in the SAS for Operation Barras, a mission that will go down in special forces history.

After negotiations break down, there are fears that the men being held in the compound could be executed at any moment, but there is no easy way in to save them. The only option is to shock the enemy on their home turf. A plan is put in place. The ambush begins.

Told from the perspectives of multiple people involved in the operation, and with Tony Hoare's expert insight into the forces, this is a heart-pounding retelling of one of the SAS's most dangerous missions.

Sales Points

- **Expert author:** Tony Hoare was a member of the SAS for almost 20 years, going on numerous tours and training hundreds of recruits. His real-life experience of the service lends authenticity to *SAS: The Ambush*.
- **For fans of:** Recent and real-life SAS missions, this will appeal to readers of Ben Macintyre (895k TCM) and Damien Lewis (1m TCM), as well as Ant Middleton (1.1m TCM) and Jason Fox (327k TCM).
- **Incredible story:** An explosive story of how British soldiers were captured in Sierra Leone in 2000, and the dangerous mission to save them from their heavily armed captors.
- **Successful series:** From the publisher of Andy McNab's Special Ops Missions series, which also retold modern SAS missions and has sold more than 50k copies (TCM).

Reviews

- "There is no higher accolade than a fellow soldier wanting you to be beside them in the fight. Tony is the real deal and a personal hero of mine. All soldiers would have wanted him alongside them when things got brutal." - *Andy McNab*

Author Biography

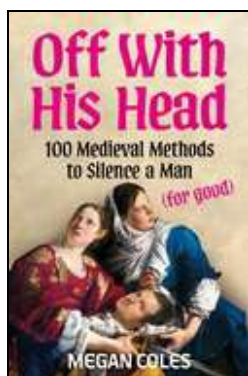
Tony Hoare joined the Army Cadets, where he learned to fire a gun at the age of 13. He then signed up to the Infantry on his 17th birthday and enlisted into the Royal Green Jackets. He passed SAS selection in 1978 and with them, went on multiple tours and trained numerous recruits, including Andy McNab. Since leaving the Army in 1996, he has undertaken security and consultation on various highly dangerous projects, including a stint as a UN Security Officer in South Sudan. His first book, *Born For War*, retold his story of the Falklands War and was a WHSmith Travel Book of the Month.

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Off With His Head

100 Medieval Methods to Silence a Man (for good)

Megan Coles

Keynote

In *OFF WITH HIS HEAD*, explore 100 hilarious ways to get rid of a pesky man, taking inspiration from the unusual and whacky methods from the medieval era. Ladies, time to silence men . . . for good.

Description

'Funny and cleverly written, this is the future of history that should be told' Katie Kennedy, *The History Gossip*

'A clever, tongue-in-cheek guide for modern women who don't mind getting a little medieval when it comes to punting a jerk back to the manosphere from whence he came' Nicole Tersigni, author of *Men to Avoid in Art and Life*

'Vicious and delicious. Coles has crafted a manual that is at once hilarious and educational' Kyle Prue, author of *How to Piss Off Men*

Ye olde wasteman getting on your last nerve? Your new man is more interested in scrolling on OnlyWenches than spending time with you? Or your last date spent the whole time mansplaining? Hark, fear not, for I have some ways and means to end a man's antics . . . for good.

In today's world, if you don't want a man anymore, you have the option to walk away. Get the ick? End it. He's won't ever text back? Block him. He listens to those types of podcasts? Dump him. But women haven't always had it this easy. Transport yourself back to the medieval era, where divorce wasn't exactly an option. Maybe you had to get a little creative.

In *Off With His Head*, explore 100 hilarious medieval methods to get rid of a man, featuring advice on how best to dispose of someone inconspicuously, tips and tricks to orchestrate an untimely demise, and how to use a man's ego to your advantage.

In the face of limited options, women have always found ways to persevere. This is no different. It's time to silence that man, once and for all.

Sales Points

- Clear book-buying audience: Gen-Z women - which Megan's audience on socials compromise mostly.
- Strong social platform - Megan has 168k on TikTok. 58% UK, 24% US. 70% female and 58% 18-24, our target demographic.

Instagram: 109k followers. 39% US, 7% UK. 56% female and 46% 18-24.

- Package in the same space as *How to Piss Off Men*, *The History Gossip* and *The Little Book of Ick*.
- Popularity of 'humorous history' with shows like *My Lady Jane*, *Bridgerton* etc.
- Strong sales comps:
HOW TO PISS OFF MEN. 12.5K HB
MEN TO AVOID IN ART AND LIFE. 4.9K HB
THE LITTLE BOOK OF ICK. 4.9K HB
WEIRD MEDIEVAL GUYS. 6.1K HB
MORTAL MONARCHS. 4.6K HB, 3.4K PB
REST IN PIECES. 2.3K PB
THE HISTORY GOSSIP. 8.1K HB

Reviews

- 'Funny and cleverly written, this is the future of history that should be told' - Katie Kennedy, *The History Gossip*
- '*Off With His Head* is a clever, tongue-in-cheek guide for modern women who don't mind getting a little medieval when it comes to punting a jerk back to the manosphere from whence he came' - Nicole Tersigni, author of *Men to Avoid in Art and Life*
- 'Vicious and delicious. Coles has crafted a manual that is at once hilarious and educational' - Kyle Prue, author of *How to Piss Off Men*

Author Biography

Born and raised in London, Megan's first love was her glorious city and its morbid past. She is a prolific writer and keen historian, who has been interviewed on BBC Radio London and featured in both *The Mirror* and *The Express*. She graduated with a First Class Bachelor's Degree with Honours in History from Queen Mary University of London in 2021. You can find her on TikTok (@historyoflondon), where she blends her love of the metropolis with gore, true crime, and the paranormal. She is the author of the self-published *A Ghostly Guide to London*.



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Thema 1.6	Thriller / suspense fiction (FH) 1946–1968 (post Second World War period and Foundation of Italian Republic) (3MPBL-IT-U) Sweden (1DNS)
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Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA
Book locale	Sweden
Author born in	Sweden
Author living in	N/A - deceased
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The Madman

A rediscovered classic from the multi-million copy bestselling author of the Wallander series

Henning Mankell

Keynote

A gripping and timely novel about a small Swedish town in the shadows of war, from the multi-million copy bestselling author of the Wallander series.

Description

'One of the most ingenious crime writers around' **Observer**

'The figurehead of Nordic noir' **Independent**

'Mankell is in the first division of crime writing' **The Times**

'Extraordinary' **Ian Rankin**

One day in 1947, Bertil Kras decides to leave his modest life in Stockholm and begin again - swapping his work at a bicycle courier firm for a job at a sawmill.

He moves to a small market town in the north, where the locals are wary and divided, haunted by the memory of the internment camp that recently stood on the other side of the forest.

Branded as a communist and an outsider, Bertil struggles to integrate. The winters are cruel, and his neighbours more so.

One cold January night, the sawmill burns down. All eyes turn to Bertil: the perfect scapegoat.

And with the weight of the town's judgement upon him, what is there left for him to become, but the man they have always expected him to be?

The Madman is a gripping and timely novel about a small Swedish town in the shadows of war, from multi-million copy bestselling author of the Wallander series, Henning Mankell.

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'By far the best writer of police mysteries today' **Michael Ondaatje**

'A master of atmosphere and suspense' **Los Angeles Times**

'The dean of the so-called Scandinavian noir writers' **New York Times**

Sales Points

- **THE MASTER OF SCANDI NOIR:** Worldwide phenomenon Henning Mankell is a multi-million copy bestselling author, whose work has been translated into 45 languages. Often referred to as the Father of the Scandi Noir genre, he is best known for the Kurt Wallander detective series, which was adapted for the BBC between 2008-2016 and won six BAFTA awards.
- **NEW ACCESS TO THE MANKELL'S EARLY WORK:** THE MADMAN is a new English translation of Mankell's second published novel *Vettvillingen* (1977), giving readers an exciting opportunity to discover the early work of one of Sweden's leading authors for the first time.
- **ECHOES OF WALLANDER:** In THE MADMAN, Mankell delivers another mystery with a complicated and often troubled man at its heart - with his trademark political commentary on the failings of Sweden's welfare state, observations which feel more timely than ever today.
- **SIGNIFICANT TRANSLATOR OF SCANDI NOIR:** George Goulding was born in Stockholm, educated in England, and spent his legal career working for a London-based law firm. He is now a translator of Swedish literature into English, including David Lagercrantz's continuations of the *Millennium* trilogy by Stieg Larsson.

Reviews

- 'Extraordinary... paved the way for every Scandinavian detective who came after him' - Ian Rankin
- 'By far the best writer of police mysteries today. He is in the great tradition of those whose works transcend their chosen genre to become thrilling and moral literature' - Michael Ondaatje
- 'A master of atmosphere and suspense' - *Los Angeles Times*
- 'The dean of the so-called Scandinavian noir writers' - *New York Times*



Author Biography

Henning Mankell (1948-2015) became a worldwide phenomenon with his crime writing, gripping thrillers and atmospheric novels set in Africa. His prizewinning and critically acclaimed Inspector Wallander Mysteries continue to dominate bestseller lists all over the globe and his books have been translated into forty-five languages and made into numerous international film and television adaptations.

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The Summer Party

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Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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Welcome to the Family the brand-new and completely addictive psychological thriller from the acclaimed author Kate Gray

Keynote

What if meeting the family ended in **murder**? Kate Gray's brand-new unputdownable psychological thriller will whisk you away to the sun-soaked Italian countryside, where a family with dark secrets is waiting to welcome their newest member. . .

Description

☀️ 'Oozing with suspense, this fiendishly twisty thriller is guaranteed to keep you guessing' *HEAT*
 ☀️ 'Simmering tension turns deadly in this twisty and addictive summer mystery' - T.M. LOGAN
 ☀️ 'Gripping' *DAILY MAIL*
 ☀️ 'A sticky, sun-drenched thriller to rival the White Lotus, rich with suspicion, deception, and characters you'll love to hate' ABIGAIL DEAN

Holiday with your in-laws can be murder . . .

Rosie Riley is nervously excited about meeting the Fraser family. She's head-over-heels for her boyfriend Theo and she hopes that spending a fortnight with the Frasers at their luxury Tuscan villa is a good sign of where their relationship is headed.

Fenna Fraser has been part of the family for years. She's always enjoyed the glam annual holiday, but this year she's especially tired with a new baby in tow and she fears her mother-in-law will be more critical than ever. No one is good enough for her sons.

It starts as the perfect family holiday.

It ends with one of these women arrested for murder.

Who is guilty? Who is the victim? And did they deserve it? . . .

Readers are loving *WELCOME TO THE FAMILY*:

'CLEAR YOUR DIARY!!!! When you pick up this book, life as you know it will cease to exist until you have finished it!' □□□□
 'Chilling and tense this is an unpredictable suffocating read on the toxicities of the family... fantastic thriller that will have you hooked' □□□□
 'This is one of those books where you tell yourself , "just one more chapter"...and suddenly it's 2 a.m.' □□□□
 'Compelling, tense, and deeply engaging - this book has heart and bite' □□□□
 'Wow wow wow! This book had me hooked! Couldn't put it down it was so good!' □□□□

Sales Points

- **THE HOTTEST THRILLER OF THE SUMMER:** Set in the gorgeous Tuscan countryside in Italy, Kate Gray's brand-new thriller is the perfect holiday and poolside reading. With a touch of glamour and luxury, you'll be wishing you were away in the sun - even with deadly secrets round the corner.
- **A GROWING BRAND AUTHOR IN THRILLER WRITING:** Kate Gray launched on to the thriller scene with her hit debut *The Honeymoon*, which has sold over 20,000 copies in all formats. Publishing to critical acclaim from press, readers and authors such as Louise Candlish and T.M. Logan, it launched with an unmissable hardback campaign. Kate is incredibly well-connected with the crime community, a brilliant speaker on panels and at events, and beloved by booksellers.

Reviews

- '**Praise for Welcome To The Family:**' -
- 'Kate Gray has written the perfect destination thriller. WELCOME TO THE FAMILY combines a beautiful Italian villa, a messed up family with devastating secrets and a twisting murder mystery. A stunning summer page-turner.' - *C.M. Ewan*
- 'I was transported to Italy in this utterly addictive thriller. Kate's characters are brilliantly drawn and I never knew quite who to trust - the twists are whip smart and kept me guessing until the very last page. Bravo.' - *Nikki Smith*
- 'Simmering tension turns deadly in this twisty and addictive summer mystery - a cracking family thriller.
' - *T.M. Logan*

Author Biography

Kate Gray lives in Warwickshire, England. She juggles her love of writing around her two young children and is obsessed with who-dunnits, page-turner plot twists and novels that make you want to keep the light on. Before becoming a full-time author, Kate worked in public relations and was a freelance journalist. Her work has been featured in *Stylist*,



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Meet Me in Paris

A gorgeously escapist Parisian love story that will stay with you forever from the New York Times bestselling author

Kristin Harmel

Keynote

Love Actually meets *The Notebook* in a sweeping tale of love, loss, and finding your way home, all set over the course of one magical week in Paris - from the *New York Times* bestseller.

Description

'Every time I think Kristin Harmel's books can't get any better, they do' **Sally Hepworth**

'Romantic, sweeping, and deeply emotional-this is Kristin Harmel at her absolute best' **Christina Lauren**

'A transporative and much-needed trip to Paris . . . I stayed up all night finishing this one' **Jo Piazza**

Julia Glover has brought her twenty-three-year-old daughter, Piper, to Paris for the first time. Julia is dying, and they know that this trip will be their last together. As the clock ticks, and mother and daughter desperately try to make memories together, the city has more than a few surprises waiting for them.

Around them, intertwining love stories are unfolding on the streets of the Paris: romances that were destined, once lost, or never meant to be. A WWII vet reunites with the woman he wrote every love song for. A wife reels in the aftermath of her husband's affair. An aging rock star looks for a comeback - and maybe even a chance at love.

Some connections last a lifetime, and some are only for one fleeting moment. But just seven days in the City of Light could change your life forever. . .

Love Actually meets *The Notebook* in a sweeping Parisian tale of love, loss and finding your way home, from the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Book of Lost Names*.

Praise for Kristin Harmel:

'Kristin Harmel has a rare ability to touch the heart' **Hazel Gaynor**

'Unforgettable characters, nail-biting drama and deep emotion' **Santa Montefiore**

'Gorgeous, gut-wrenching' **Kate Quinn**

'Writes with such insight and heart that her characters will stay with you' **Emily Giffin**

'The best there is at sweeping historical drama intertwined with modern-day stories' **Kelly Harms**

Sales Points

- **RAPIDLY GROWING INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S FICTION BRAND:** As well as being a *New York Times*-bestselling author, Kristin's novels have been translated into 35 languages, and with UK and ANZ lifetime sales of nearly 300,000 copies. Many of her novels have been optioned for film and TV. Kristin's books have been finalists for the Goodreads Choice Award and the National Jewish Book Award.
- **STRONG ONLINE READER COMMUNITIES:** Kristin is the co-host of popular podcast, bookclub and webshow 'Friends and Fiction' (320k FB followers, 20k IG followers) with guests like Emily Henry, Taylor Jenkins-Reid and Nicholas Sparks. On her own channels, Kristin has 95k FB followers and 25k IG followers - with over 20k Substack subscribers.
- **NEW PARIS-SET CONTEMPORARY LOVE STORY:** Publishing alongside Gallery/S&S in the US, MEET ME IN PARIS is an exciting move into a more contemporary romantic fiction space and exciting opportunity to broaden Kristin's readership, with a WW2-set storyline that will delight her existing historical fiction readers.

Reviews

- 'Romantic, sweeping, and deeply emotional-this is Kristin Harmel at her absolute best' - Christina Lauren
- '*Meet Me in Paris* might just be Kristin Harmel's magnum opus. This book is every kind of love story wrapped in the most perfect Parisian package . . . Only a master storyteller like Harmel could weave all of these threads together into one heartbreakingly beautiful novel. The way the characters' lives intersect feels like *Love Actually* - only better. I devoured this book in a single sitting; it made me laugh and cry and seriously consider booking a flight to France.' - Ali Brady
- 'Kristin Harmel has long been one of my favorite authors, and with *Meet Me in Paris*, she has taken her ever-masterful storytelling to even greater heights. Harmel's prose shines as brightly as her beloved Paris in what is sure to be the must-read novel of the year!' - Kristy Woodson Harvey



- 'An absolutely delicious delight! This book delivers a transportive and much-needed trip to Paris that will soothe every reader's soul. I stayed up all night finishing this one. *Meet Me in Paris* is an exquisitely woven narrative about the enduring power of love in all of its forms' - Jo Piazza

Author Biography

Kristin Harmel is the *New York Times* bestselling author of more than a dozen novels including *The Paris Daughter*, *The Forest of Vanishing Stars*, *The Book of Lost Names*, *The Winemaker's Wife*, *The Room on Rue Amélie*, and *The Sweetness of Forgetting*. She is published in more than thirty languages and is the cofounder and cohost of the popular web series *Friends & Fiction*. She lives in Orlando, Florida with her husband and son.

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Author living in	Essex
Previous Titles	
<u>Ruby Murray series:</u> <i>The Locksmith</i> <i>The Game</i>	
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Charity an absolutely gripping urban gangland crime thriller, full of strong women

Linda Calvey

Keynote

The third and final instalment in a gripping and gritty new gangland family saga series by Linda Calvey, 'the most gripping and authentic new voice in crime fiction' (Martina Cole).

Description

PRE-ORDER NOW! The highly anticipated new and final instalment in Linda Calvey's gripping gangland series. What will become of the three sisters of the Wills family? . . .

As the youngest of three sisters, Charity Wills is used to getting what she wants. When she was a teenager, she fell in love with the dashing bad boy next door and married him. If she wants something beautiful and expensive in a shop, she discreetly puts it in her bag - the Old Bill be damned. If she has enemies that need seeing to, her father-in-law can pull some strings to make the problem go away.

So when Charity finds herself suddenly on her own - her beloved Little Danny in prison and no sign of a much-wanted pregnancy on the way - she is at a loss. She wants to start pulling her weight in her influential crime family. But as she works to pull off a plan that will fly under the radar of the law, an old enemy of the Wills family grows ever nearer, determined that Charity will not have her happily ever after . . .

A gritty and gripping gangland story set in London's East End - for fans of Martina Cole and Kimberley Chambers.

Sales Points

- **'THE MOST AUTHENTIC VOICE IN CRIME FICTION'** says Queen of Crime Martina Cole. Having spent 18 years in prison for murder and most of her life running with gangsters including the Kray twins, no one has better insight into the criminal world than Linda Calvey.
- **BESTSELLING AUTHOR:** Since her release, Linda has become a bestselling author of fiction and non-fiction and her books have sold collectively over 60,000 copies TCM.
- **HIGHLY ANTICIPATED FINAL BOOK IN THE SERIES:** *Charity* is the third and final book in Linda's new gangland series for fans of Kimberley Chambers and Martina Cole, which follows three sisters as they navigate the struggles and triumphs of gritty East End London gangland life. Charity is a fierce new female lead - the spoilt youngest daughter with an edge to her . . .
- **INCREDIBLE REVIEWS:** Linda's books receive rave reviews from her fans, who are always eager for the next story - clamouring to find out what happens next. She has over 10,000 real reader reviews with over 90% 4 and 5 star ratings.
- **ENGAGED AND AUTHENTIC AUTHOR:** Linda has a fascinating life story and is incredibly personable. She's been featured multiple times on TV and radio and she regularly champions for local causes. She was known as the 'black widow' because all of her lovers famously died or were murdered (Linda's innocence has since been proven).

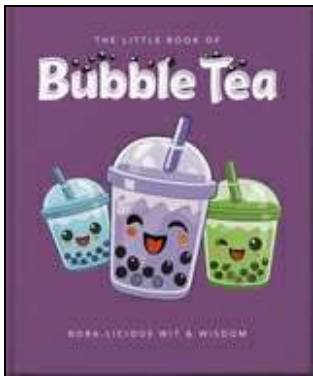
Reviews

- **'Praise for Linda Calvey's books: ' - -**
- 'The bravest and most authentic new voice in crime fiction. Not for the faint-hearted!' - *Martina Cole*
- 'True crime has never been more female - or more deadly' - *Kimberley Chambers*
- 'Admired and respected by the men who worked with her, she is the real deal' - *Freddie Foreman*

Author Biography

Linda Calvey has served eighteen years behind bars, making her one of Britain's longest-serving female prisoners. She moved to fourteen different prisons, doing time with Rose West and Myra Hindley.

Since her release, Linda has become a full-time author.



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The Little Book of Bubble Tea

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Keynote

Join the worldwide obsession with the sweet, cool, refreshing drink that is Bubble Tea.

Description

Drink or dessert? Fad or flavoursome? With as many flavours as there are teas and fruits, Bubble Tea has confused and delighted people since its conception. While it's divided opinion, the Taiwanese treat has now solidified itself as a firm favourite and a global phenomenon - it's here to stay!

Whether you want to learn more about the origins of this moreish milk drink, what the "bubbles" refer to (clue: it's not the tapioca pearls...), or get inspiration of how to make your own at home, this little book is the Bubble Tea *Bible*.

Sample content:

Since the drink's conception, 380 bubble tea bars have opened every year on average. The bubble tea we recognise today was invented when a bored employee of a bubble tea shop poured her tapioca dessert - fen yuan - into her iced tea!

Celebrating the wonderful uniqueness of this quirky drink, take a sip out of this refreshing book of facts, fun and fruity flavours!

Sales Points

- A fun and fascinating collection of facts, figures and recipes around one of the world's most unique drinks!
- The perfect gift for the bubble tea lover and cute, aesthetic Instagrammer.
- According to Fortune Business Insights, the global bubble tea market size was valued at \$2.63 billion in 2024 and is projected to grow to \$4.78 billion by 2032.
- A flavour and texture revolution and a marketing phenomenon, bubble tea bars appear in every city - and on nearly every Instagram feed!

Author Biography

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

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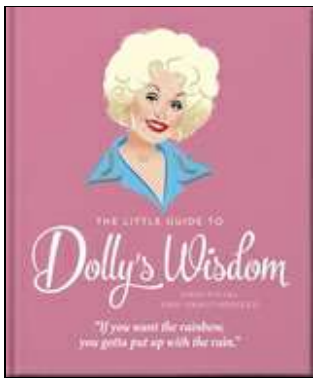


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The Little Guide to Dolly's Wisdom

OH

Keynote

Step into the world of Dolly, the Queen of Country - with her sharpest quotes, heartfelt truths and just the right dash of sparkle and sass.

Description

Celebrated for both her powerful voice and generous spirit, Dolly Parton is equally cherished for her unforgettable way with words. This little book is a joyful tribute to a woman with plenty to say - and a one-of-a-kind way of saying it.

Brimming with her trademark wit, honesty and optimism, this charming collection brings together Dolly's most memorable quotes and reflections. Whether she's offering tough love or timeless advice, her words lift spirits and warm hearts.

From hilarious one-liners to down-to-earth insights, *The Little Book of Dolly's Wisdom* captures the essence of someone who's never been afraid to speak her mind. A perfect gift for Dolly fans or anyone in need of a quick pick-me-up, it's a reminder to be kind, work hard - and smile!

Sample Content:

"Find out who you are. And do it on purpose."

"I'm not offended by all the dumb blonde jokes because I know I'm not dumb - and I also know that I'm not blonde."

"If you don't like the road you're walking, start paving another one."

"Well, I always just thought if you see somebody without a smile, give 'em yours!"

"I am a self-made woman, and I have the doctor bills to prove it."

Sales Points

- Dolly Parton is one of the most successful and loved artists of all time, with over 100 million records sold worldwide.
- With a devoted fanbase, Dolly has nearly 8 million followers on Instagram alone.
- Beloved across generations - from grandparents to Gen Z - Dolly's no-nonsense wisdom makes this book a hit with all ages.
- Dolly's grit and self-made success make her a strong role model for women everywhere.

Author Biography

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

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Binding	Hardback
Format	210x150
Depth	18mm
Extent	160 pages
Word Count	29135 words
Illustrations	Over 60 colour photographs
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
Book locale	UK
Author born in	Tokyo
Author living in	London

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Mix & Matcha

60 Delicious Sweet & Savoury Recipes

Makiko Sano

Keynote

A vibrant cookbook for matcha lovers that celebrates this global superfood.

Description

From Japanese chef and author of *Ramen*, Makiko Sano, a cute gift book of buzzy matcha recipes.

Mix & Matcha is stacked with 60 delicious recipes that celebrate matcha - the celebrity-favourite, viral ingredient that's rich in nutrients and antioxidants and gives a caffeine kick the whole day long.

From iced latte to ice cream and fried rice to French toast, now it couldn't be easier to max out your matcha with delicious recipes for Breakfasts, Mains, Frozen Desserts, Puddings & Custards, Spreads, Condiments & Snacks, Cakes, Bakes & Treats and Hot & Cold Drinks.

Mouth-watering recipes:

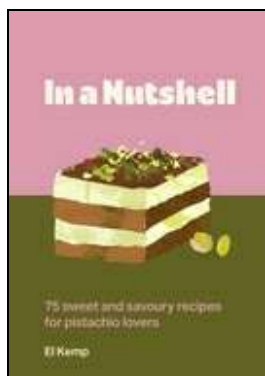
Pancakes
Porridge
Overnight Oats
Energy Balls
Matcha-crusting Cod
Stuffed Mushrooms
Panna Cotta
Tiramisu
Matcha & Garlic Dipping Sauce
Chocolate Truffles
Turmeric Latte
Matcha Protein Shake

Sales Points

- Beautiful colour photography alongside sweet and savoury recipes that taps into the matcha trend with #matcha on TikTok with 1.8m posts and on Instagram with 8.7m posts.
- Matcha's versatility in both taste and appearance, coupled with its perceived health benefits, makes it a standout in the food and drink sector.
- The global matcha market size was estimated at \$4.3 billion in 2023 and is projected to reach \$7.43 billion by 2030.
- Taps into the demographic who purchase matcha in health stores and coffee shops, where it's available as matcha shots, lattes, teas, and desserts.
- Celebrity favourite, matcha has been spotted in the hands of celebrities including Gwyneth Paltrow, Kylie Jenner and Rihanna. Brad Pitt is a longtime fan!

Author Biography

Tokyo-born Makiko Sano owns and runs a popular Japanese restaurant, sushi school and catering company, Suzu House, in Hammersmith, London. She wrote *SushiSlim* (2013, translated into 16 languages), which won the Gourmand World Cookbook Award, and *Shoku-iku: Japanese Conscious Eating for a Long and Healthy Life* (2016, translated into 8 languages), *Welbeck's Ramen* (2023) which topped the charts, and most recently *Rice* (2025).



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Thema 1.6	Cookery / food and drink / food writing / cookbooks (WB) Cookery / food by ingredient: rice, grains, pulses, nuts and seeds (WBTJ) Quick and easy cookery (WBF) Gift and novelty books / items (WZG)
Binding	Hardback
Format	210x150
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In a Nutshell

75 sweet and savoury recipes for pistachio lovers

El Kemp

Keynote

With 75 recipes celebrating the pistachio in sweet and savoury ways, accompanied by charming illustrations, this is a trend-led and highly giftable book for any pistachio fan.

Description

Indulge your pistachio passion.

You've tried the cookies, the lattes and the viral Dubai chocolate, but you might not realize how versatile the vibrant green nut can be in your own kitchen.

Pistachios add a decadent and delicious touch to 75 sweet and savoury dishes, from cinnamon buns to crusted salmon, falafel to florentines and granola to granita. Whether a recent convert or long-time lover, *In a Nutshell* will add to your recipe repertoire and change the way you think about pistachios forever.

Chapters include:

1. Brunch
2. Lunch & Dinner
3. Savoury Snacks
4. Bakes & Cookies
5. Desserts & Chocolate
6. Drinks

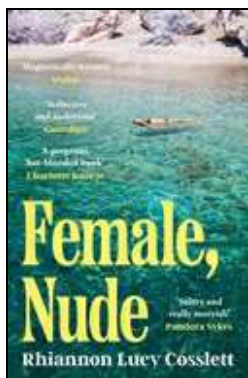
With charming illustrations and recipes for every moment, this is the perfect book for any pistachio fanatic.

Sales Points

- The pistachio trend has been recognised in Hachette's in-house trend reports, social media, as well as throughout the press, including in *Food & Wine* magazine, *Speciality Food* magazine and the BBC, to name a few.
- Brands and supermarkets are jumping on the trend, with M&S's Pistachio Crème and Easter egg both seen widely on social media, and multiple brands launching their own takes on the viral Dubai-style chocolate bar. Searches for 'pistachio' on Waitrose.com are up a whopping 788% - and it Waitrose's trend report.
- Global searches for pistachio cream sit at 655K a month, up 218% since 2024, and Google projects that searches will continue to grow.
- Finally, pistachios have a variety of health benefits, including fibre (related to gut health) and healthy fats, all of which is heavily in the zeitgeist.

Author Biography

El Kemp is a popular food stylist and recipe writer. She regularly works with *The Guardian* (*Feast*) and recipe platform Another Pantry. Her brand clients include Montezuma chocolate and Halen Môn Welsh salt. El also works closely with leading chefs on recipe writing, testing, and styling for their cookbooks. In 2017 she launched Kemp Kitchen, a catering company focused on seasonal, locally sourced produce.



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Main Identifier	9781035413843
Thema 1.6	Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA) Narrative theme: love / relationships (FXD) Subject matter intended specifically for women and/or girls (5JA) Greece (1DXG)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	304 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); EU; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Book locale	Greek islands
Author born in	Wales
Author living in	London N7

Publishing History

THE YEAR OF THE CAT (Tinder Press, Jan 2023); THE REPUBLIC OF PARENTHOOD (September Publishing, August 2025); THE TYRANNY OF LOST THINGS (Saraband, June 2018)

Previous Titles

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Translation	Refer to Publisher
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US	Refer to Publisher

Female, Nude

The smouldering and propulsive new literary read for 2026

Rhiannon Lucy Cosslett

Keynote

A group of friends travels to Greece for a holiday from which none will emerge unchanged

Description

Perfect for readers of HOT MILK or THE GUEST, FEMALE, NUDE is propulsive, sexy, thought-provoking fiction, a beach read with a brain, tender, provocative and relatable.

'What a gorgeous, hot-blooded novel about art, the senses, and the multitudes of the female body' Charlotte Runcie

'A smart and seductive novel about female sexuality, power and acts of creation' Chloe Ashby

'Sensual and erotic... should be on everyone's anticipated books for 2026 ***' Reader Review**

'Beautifully human... Romantic and heady and violent and sexy' Kirsty Capes

Sophie, a painter, is holidaying with friends in a stunning villa in Greece - her best friend Helena is shortly to be married, and this is the last time she and her friends will be together as single women. But life has treated them so differently since their university days, that Sophie is questioning everything about their friendship. Meanwhile her partner, Greg, is desperate for them to try for a baby, but she wants to devote herself to her art - and there are other, deeper forces, pulling the two of them in opposite directions.

In the course of the holiday, Sophie paints a nude portrait of her friend Alessia, and becomes involved in an intense affair with Ky, who lives and works on the island. Both the painting, and the affair, will challenge everything Sophie thinks she knows, about art, about motherhood, about sex - and about how and with whom she wants to spend the rest of her life.

Sales Points

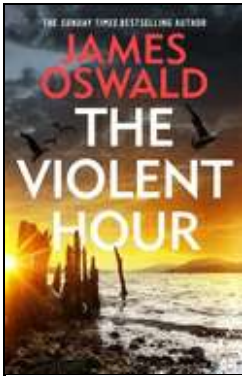
- **A PERFECT SUMMER READ:** a sultry and seductive novel to lose yourself in, perfect for fans of HOT MILK, THE HYPOCRITE or THE GUEST.
- **A STRONG GENERATIONAL VOICE:** Rhiannon Lucy Cosslett - best known for her candid, sometimes outspoken *Guardian* column, 'Republic of Parenthood' - brings her distinctive perspective to bear on thirty-something expectations of love, marriage, sexuality and friendship.
- **A UNIQUE READ FOR ART LOVERS:** a novel that taps into the recent fascination with women artists, and which explores the unique challenges, for women, of carving out an identity in a career that has traditionally favoured men.
- Pre-empted in Germany by Rowohlt Verlag.

Reviews

- 'A beautifully human story, romantic and heady and violent and sexy' - Kirsty Capes
- 'A literary novel with all the propulsion of a thriller, and sex that is actually sexy' - Georgina Moore, author of The Garnett Girls
- 'Positively thrums with tension. Erotic, sensuous and eviscerating' - Lori Inglis Hall, author of The Shock of the Light

Author Biography

Rhiannon Lucy Cosslett is the author of the memoir *The Year of the Cat*, a previous novel *The Tyranny of Lost Things*, and a collection of her *Guardian* columns, *The Republic of Parenthood*. She also reviews fiction for the *Guardian* and her journalism has appeared in *Vogue*, the *Observer Magazine*, *i* newspaper, *TIME*, the *New Statesman*, *Stylist*, *Elle*, and many more. Raised in Wales, she lives in north London with her husband, son, and cat, Mackerel.



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Author living in	Fife, Scotland

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The Rest is Death

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The Violent Hour

the next high-stakes thriller in the Sunday Times bestselling Inspector McLean series

James Oswald

Keynote

The next high-stakes thriller in the *Sunday Times* bestselling phenomenon that is the Inspector McLean series, from one of Scotland's most celebrated crime writers

Description

Festival season, the streets filled to bursting with tourists and Edinburgh is gripped in a stifling heatwave. Not the best time for one of the most violent murders the city has witnessed in years.

The victim cannot be identified and the brutal nature of the killing shocks both public and the police. What could possibly have inflicted such gruesome injuries: is it a wild animal on the loose, or the start of some horrific gangland war?

Another body is found on Musselburgh Beach, naked, comatose, but this time alive. DI Tony McLean can't shake the feeling that there is a connection to the killing - but there are few leads for him and the team to go by.

The police are at a loss, and the city is on edge - will the killer strike again?

Praise for James Oswald:

'The new Ian Rankin' *Daily Record*

'Creepy, gritty and gruesome' *Sunday Mirror*

'Oswald's writing is in a class above most' *Daily Express*

Sales Points

- **OVER 600K COPIES SOLD ACROSS FORMATS:** James Oswald has sold over half a million copies of this series globally.
- **LANDMARK 15TH NOVEL IN A BESTSELLING SERIES:** *The Violent Hour* is the 15th Inspector McLean novel, marking a significant milestone for one of the UK's most successful crime brands. James has an exceptionally loyal readership, comparable to enduring crime brands such as Rebus and Roy Grace.
- **FOR FANS OF GRIPPING CRIME FICTION:** perfect for readers of Ian Rankin, Val McDermid, Stuart MacBride and Peter May.
- **EDINBURGH-SET CRIME WITH STRONG SCOTTISH BOOKSELLER APPEAL:** set against the atmospheric backdrop of Edinburgh, this new instalment taps into Oswald's strong local readership.
- **A HIGH-STAKES INVESTIGATION FOR DI TONY MCLEAN:** *The Violent Hour* delivers a gripping new case with higher stakes than ever before.

Reviews

- '*The Violent Hour* is James Oswald at the height of his powers. [It's] a thrilling page turner . . . every page is a delight! One of very few crime novelists who really understands the genre.' - Imran Mahmood, author of *YOU DON'T KNOW ME*
- 'A fast-paced procedural with plenty of surprises - while this might have been my first Tony McLean outing, it certainly won't be my last.' - Tariq Ashkanani, author of *THE MIDNIGHT KING*
- 'Gripping and sharply observed [with] a thrilling climax. Oswald writes with his usual wit and the fast-paced plot means this is a real page-turner!' - Charlotte Essex, co-producer of *KILLING EVE* and author of *ALL SHE BURNS*
- 'Written with real skill and heart, *The Violent Hour* is a propulsive and gripping read from start to finish.' - Doug Johnstone, author of *THE SPACE BETWEEN US*

Author Biography

James Oswald is the author of the *Sunday Times* bestselling Inspector McLean series of detective mysteries, the DC Constance Fairchild series and, as J D OSWALD, the standalone novel *BROKEN GHOSTS*. James's first book, *NATURAL CAUSES*, was shortlisted for the British Book Awards Debut Author Award. His latest book, *THE REST IS DEATH*, is the fourteenth in the Inspector McLean series.

James farms pedigree Highland cows by day, writes disturbing fiction by night.



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The Lottery Winner Widows Club

Don't miss the fabulous and funny debut crime novel sensation for spring 2026!

Elly Vine

Keynote

Meet The Lottery Winner Widows Club - a fabulous, filthy-rich sisterhood whose husbands all hit the jackpot . . . and then mysteriously dropped dead.

Description

Meet The Lottery Winner Widows Club - a fabulous, filthy-rich sisterhood whose husbands all hit the jackpot . . . and then mysteriously dropped dead.

Paula is having a surreal week. Having just lost her husband, in a freak car accident, she's utterly gobsmacked when, two days later, she wins the lottery - with the ticket he bought.

That's when Paula is approached by a tight-knit trio of glamorous women - also jackpot winners - with dead husbands, suspiciously large bank accounts . . . and a very specific interest in Paula.

They tell her that they've been where she is now. That grief looks good on her. That freedom does, too. There's just one problem: Paula didn't kill her husband. She loved him, of course.

But something about their world - lavish, secretive, thrilling - is hard to resist. And when word of Paula's jackpot win spreads and others come sniffing around for a share, she's faced with the ultimate choice: hold onto her old life, or accept help from her new friends, whose methods are a little more . . . unconventional.

Twisty, mischievous, and deliciously dark, *The Lottery Winner Widows Club* is a story of luck, lies, and the dangerous appeal of starting over, from a fresh new voice in the crime world.

Sales Points

- BESTSELLING AUTHOR'S FIRST CRIME NOVEL:** Lucy Vine is a bestselling author of romance, who has turned her hand to crime writing with this novel, meaning the characters are extremely well-rounded, lovable, and funny. Lucy is extremely well-connected which will aid with our plans to launch her into a new area of the market with a bang.
- DEMAND FOR WOMEN BEHAVING BADLY AT AN ALL-TIME HIGH:** This book has all the charm and humour of *BAD SISTERS* combined with the fan-favourite older protagonists of *THE THURSDAY MURDER CLUB*.
- VOICE-LED, VIBRANT CAST OF CHARACTERS:** The main female characters span the ages of 25 to 80, and demand for older characters and intergenerational stories is at an all time high, as seen by the success of books like *HOW TO AGE DISGRACEFULLY* and shows like HBO's *HACKS*.
- SHINES A LIGHT ON ISSUES OF DOMESTIC ABUSE:** All the women have been victims of abuse in their own ways, and their stories are explored with nuance and grace.

Reviews

- 'Brilliant! Riotously funny, gripping and twisty, and packs a real emotional punch too.' - *CRESSIDA MCLAUGHLIN*
- 'Riotously funny - this story of mysterious deaths, sisterhood and secrets will make you laugh, cheer and buy yourself a lottery ticket!' - *LUCY DIAMOND*
- 'Warm but thrilling, pacy but deep, hilarious and poignant. This book made me laugh, weep, and punch the air. An utter DELIGHT.' - *EMMA JANE UNSWORTH*
- 'A RIOT - uplifting, feisty and fun, with so much heart. It's a joy to read, but it packs such a powerful punch. This book is so good it's criminal.' - *DAISY BUCHANAN*

Author Biography

Elly Vine is the pseudonym of bestselling author, **Lucy Vine**. **Lucy Vine** is the author of novels *Hot Mess*, *What Fresh Hell*, *Are We Nearly There Yet?*, *Bad Choices*, *Seven Exes*, *Date with Destiny* and *Book Boyfriend*. Her eighth novel is *Good For You*. Her books have been published in seventeen territories, with *Hot Mess* optioned for a TV series in America. In a previous life, Lucy was a journalist, writing for publications including *Grazia*, *Stylist*, *Heat*, *Fabulous*, *Marie Claire*, *Sugar* and *Cosmopolitan*. You can find her on Instagram and TikTok @lucyvineauthor. Her website is www.lucyvine.co.uk.

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Theodora's Tea Shop

A beguiling must-read fantasy debut full of witchy magic and secrets

Christy Anne Jones

Keynote

A bewitching 1920s-inspired fantasy debut novel by Christy Anne Jones guaranteed to leave you spellbound - celebrating found family and self-love.

Description

Perfect for fans of TJ Klune and Sarah Beth Durst, *Theodora's Tea Shop* by Christy Anne Jones is a fantasy novel brimming with witchy magic, found family, self-love and lots of warm cups of tea.

Nothing is more dangerous than a witch with secrets.

Dorothy Louise Walcott should have died at fourteen. She is now twenty-three, timid, chronically ill, and yearning for a life she can never have. Her dreams of studying magic and publishing her discoveries feel impossible: even if license-less magic weren't outlawed, her family would never allow it. But if Dot stays at home any longer, she will wither and fade away. So with nothing but a carpetbag and her ambergris tonic, Dot flees dreary Seafarthing for the capital city of Alliaister, where she tumbles headfirst into an apprenticeship with the most powerful witch in the city: Theodora.

Empress of an underground syndicate peddling magic through the quaint façade of her tea shop, Theodora is everything Dot wants to be: beautiful, witty, confident. An esteemed oil painter one day, a member of parliament the next, the many faces of Theodora have charmed power from the city's elite. Under her tutelage and in the company of the tea shop's eccentric staff - headstrong teenager Rupert, brooding and Byronic magician Lio, and the kindly spirit Belchambre - Dot finally has the chance to be her true magical self.

But the dazzling and enigmatic Theodora has more secrets than she does faces. When her dark past comes calling, it threatens to drown her entire empire - and take Dot, the tea shop, and the city of Alliaister with it.

Sales Points

- **STAR DEBUT AUTHOR:** Christy Anne Jones is a blogger and Book-Tuber, with **242k subscribers on YouTube** and **29.4k on Insta** (as of June 2025). She is a big fan of cosy novels, anything magical and whimsical. She has spent the last few years cinematically documenting the writing journey of THEODORA'S TEA SHOP under the alias of PROJECT TEACUP. Her vlogs on the writing of PROJECT TEACUP have amassed over 1.2 million total views.
- **PERFECT FOR COSY FANTASY READERS:** The magical tea shop and witchy vibes of this book will appeal to readers of books like REWITCHED by Lucy Jane Wood, THE SPELLSHOP by Sarah Beth Durst and THE HONEY WITCH by Sydney J. Shields.
- **BUZZY GLOBAL CAMPAIGN:** Wildfire will be working with Hachette Australia (where Christy's novel is a Super Lead title) in order to pull together a creative and collaborative campaign for this ambitious debut publication.

Reviews

- **'An effervescent delight!** I know Theodora will be living rent-free in my head for some time to come...' - *ELISABETH WOLF, author of Winterbourne*
- **'A lovely mix of tender found-family and magic that isn't afraid to charm and terrorize in equal parts, *Theodora's Tea Shop* doesn't hold back its punches or its hugs.** A tale full of bursting with vibrant, achingly struggling (and prevailing!) characters, and a landscape of spirits and spells that weaves together a delightful and whimsical world.' - *LYNN BUCHANAN, author of The Dollmakers*
- **'A feast for the imagination, *Theodora's Tea Shop* is filled to the brim with delicious characters, luscious visuals, fragrant twists, and delectable morsels of heartbreak, joy, loss and hope. A remarkable book from a masterful new voice.'** - *BENJAMIN LIAR, author of The Failures*
- **'This book is a true gem, with glimmering facets of darkness and light. Jones' lush descriptions evoke the dream-like quality of a Ghibli film, while her worldbuilding harkens to the wider scope of books like *Jonathan Strange & Mr Norrell* or *The Night Circus*. Magic radiates off the page and Jones' world feels both historical and otherworldly. *Theodora's Tea Shop* is stunning!' - MOOREA CORRIGAN, *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *Thistlemarsh***

Author Biography

Christy Anne Jones is a speculative fiction writer, illustrator, reviewer and maker of things. Her first book, an illustrated memoir, follows her time as an English teacher and travel writer living in Tokyo. Her heart, however, has always been with stories of magic. She has been writing since she was old enough to hold a pen. Her short stories and nonfiction have been published in Australia and Japan. She lives in leafy Adelaide, on

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Laura Clark Is Away from Her Desk

The relatable and and hilarious novel for any woman who feels fed up. . ."I loved it" MARIAN KEYES

Helen Russell

Keynote

A relatable, sharp and hilarious coming-of-middle-age novel, perfect for fans of *Confessions of a Forty-Something F**k-Up*, *Where'd You Go, Bernadette?* and *Fleishman Is in Trouble*.

Description

WHO IS LAURA CLARK?

To her colleagues: an invisible forty-something HR manager who restocks the meeting-room snacks.
To her husband and teenage daughter: the woman who puts food in the fridge and dinner on the table.
To her elderly mother: a round-the-clock helpline for endless complaints.

Laura Clark is the woman everyone relies on. But barely anyone sees.

So, one day, Laura puts on her 'out of office' message - and doesn't come back. And soon, everyone's formerly ordered lives quickly begin to descend into all-out chaos.

Where has Laura gone?

Has something terrible happened to her?

Or has she - unthinkable - decided to finally give her own life the finger?

To find out, the people in her life must realise that, maybe, they never really knew Laura Clark at all . . .

Sales Points

- **STAR AUTHOR:** Helen Russell is best known for her brilliantly funny and insightful non-fiction writing about life in Denmark where she has lived for the past decade - including her international bestselling *The Year of Living Danishly*, which has been published in 21 countries.
- **MIDLIFE SATIRE:** There is a huge appetite among readers for funny, feminist satires about the comedy and perils of being a woman in her middle age - from Taffy Brodesser-Akner's *Fleishman Is in Trouble* to Maria Semple's *Where'd You Go, Bernadette*, *All Fours* by Miranda July and *Confessions of a Forty-something F**k-Up* by Alexandra Potter - and we see Laura Clark as being the next big book in this space.
- **STRONG PUBLICITY AND EVENTS POTENTIAL:** Helen is a renowned and in-demand journalist, writing for the likes of *The Times* and *The Sunday Times*, *the Telegraph*, *the Independent*, *National Geographic*, *Wall Street Journal*, *the Observer*, *Metro*, *Grazia*, *Stylist* and *Stella*. She is a regular contributor on radio and TV and has appeared multiple times on Radio 4, as well as *Woman's Hour*, *Sky*, *BBC* and *ITV*. In addition, she has been on podcasts such as *Namaste Motherf**ckers* and is a brilliant speaker, including her 2019 TED talk on happiness around the world.

Reviews

- 'SO witty, so entertaining, yet so moving. Countless women will identify with Laura Clark. I loved it so much!' - MARIAN KEYES
- 'A brilliantly entertaining novel, which made me properly laugh while also being surprisingly moving' - JENNIE GODFREY
- 'If you're a woman squigged in the sandwich generation with only so many f**cks left to give, this book is for you.' - CALLY BEATON
- 'Intriguing, relatable and utterly fabulous! was completely hooked from the very first page to the last' - HELGA JENSEN

Author Biography

Helen Russell is a bestselling author, journalist and speaker. Former editor of *marieclaire.co.uk* turned Scandinavia correspondent for the *Guardian* whose first book, *The Year of Living Danishly*, became an international bestseller, optioned for television. She's the author of six books, translated into 21 languages. Helen now writes for magazines and newspapers globally, including *The Times* and *The Sunday Times*, *Telegraph*, *Independent*, *National Geographic*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Observer*, *Metro*, *Grazia*, *Stylist* and *Stella*. She's spent the last twelve years studying cultural approaches to emotions and speaks about her work internationally for organisations including Google, Novo Nordisk and LEGO.

Market

Fans of sharp, funny fiction with a feminist angle: from *FLEISHMAN IS IN TROUBLE* to *ALL FOURS*, through to Alexandra Potter, Marian Keyes and Sarah Turner.



Publication date	Thursday, July 30, 2026
Price	£12.99 / ₹1150
Main Identifier	9781035420421
Thema 1.6	Coping with / advice about anxiety and phobias (VFJP) Humour (WH) Memoirs (DNC) Dating, relationships, living together and marriage: advice, topics and issues (VFVG)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	256 pages
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Illustrations	N/A
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You'll Like It When You Get There: Modern Life, and How to Get Out of Living It.

The hilarious new guide from the Mock the Week comedian

Rhys James

Keynote

Your guide to living life against a backdrop of dread, from the *Mock the Week* comedian.

Description

A refreshingly honest look at modern life, and how to get out of living it.

Rhys has lived his entire life with a backdrop of dread. As a child, the sentence he feared most was 'come downstairs and say hello'. Aged five, he feigned injury to avoid dancing at a wedding, and twenty-five years later, he celebrated when the venue set on fire moments before what would've been the biggest gig of his life.

This is a guide to life from someone who doesn't want to do anything, and an exploration of why you possibly shouldn't either.

If you've ever celebrated plans being cancelled with an Andy Murray fist pump, secretly prayed for another lockdown, or tried - in vain - to control the outcome of everything you do, then welcome to the club. We close early, obviously.

You'll Like It When You Get There is at once hilarious, insightful and inspiring - even if what it's inspiring you to do is absolutely nothing.

Reviews of Rhys's stand-up:

'Scintillating stand-up' *Times*

'Master of the lightning-paced, gag-dense, precision-delivered' *Guardian*

'A superb tour de force of observational comedy, delivered with punchy, rapid-fire certainty' *Chortle*

Sales Points

- **AUTHOR PROFILE:** Rhys is a firm favourite on the British comedy scene, starring on *Mock The Week* and regularly appearing on the country's most popular panel shows.
- **FOR FANS OF:** Rhys' hilarious insights into his struggles with social anxiety are perfect for fans of Fern Brady, Rob Beckett and Ed Gamble
- **SOCIAL MEDIA:** Rhys has over 106k X followers, and 187k on Instagram

Reviews

- **'The millennial David Sedaris. This is the closest I've had to stand-up as a reading experience.'** - *Adam Kay*
- **'All the laughs you'd expect from such a talented comedian.'** - *Stephen Merchant*
- **'Laugh-out-loud funny and a must-read for anyone who grew up in the 1990s and 2000s.'** - *Telegraph*
- **'As witty and clever as Rhys's stand up, but you can take it in the bath.'** - *Sara Pascoe*

Author Biography

Rhys James was born in Swindon, Wiltshire in 1991, before moving to Hertfordshire where he grew up. Aged nine, he played the title character in a local production of *Oliver Twist*. Since then, he has gone on to perform stand-up comedy around the world, including six solo shows at the Edinburgh Fringe and two international sell-out tours.

Rhys has appeared on *Live at the Apollo*, *QI*, *A League of their Own* and, most notably, as a regular panellist on BBC Two's *Mock the Week*. He has created three critically acclaimed shows for BBC Radio 4, including the ARIAS nominated *Rhysearch*. His U&Dave lecture, 'I Stalk Strangers Online', became a viral hit, and his debut DVD *Spilt Milk* sold out completely in just 90 minutes. There was one copy.



One Dark Summer

the gripping new crime thriller that will keep you up all night, perfect for fans of Lisa Jewell

Sarah Hornsley (Edited By Phoebe Morgan)

Keynote

WHAT IF YOUR FAMILY AREN'T WHO THEY SAY THEY ARE? The gripping new thriller from the author of BAD BLOOD, with a twisty dual timeline and a dark secret at its heart.

Description

THE TRUTH COULD DESTROY THIS FAMILY...

Lily and her father have built a life for themselves in the wake of her mother's death. But someone knows more than they're letting on about what really happened that night, on Osea Island.

And when Lily gets a visit from a relative who claims to know more about her family than she realised, she is pulled into a mystery that takes her back to the past - back to what happened out on the sea all those years ago.

You think you know your family.

You think they'd never lie to you.

You're wrong.

Sales Points

- **Well-connected author** - Sarah is an established agent at PFD and has strong links to the crime / thriller community. Bestselling authors such as Claire Douglas, Jennie Godfrey and Catherine Cooper have all given her rave reviews.
- **Strong commercial writing** - Propulsive, fast-paced writing grabs you from the first page and doesn't let you go, owing to Sarah's extensive editorial experience.
- **STRONG SENSE OF PLACE**: Set on Osea Island in Essex, Sarah captures the atmosphere and unusual isolation perfectly.

Reviews

- **'PRAISE FOR BAD BLOOD'**
- **'Incredibly gripping. A triumph'** - Claire Douglas, bestselling author of *THE COUPLE AT NO 9*
- **'A tangled, twisty, thrill-ride of a book** with a protagonist you won't forget and layers upon layers of secrets and lies' - Cressida McLaughlin
- **'A beautifully written, atmospheric thriller** with a killer twist - I loved it' - Catherine Cooper, Sunday Times bestselling author of *THE CHALET*

Author Biography

Sarah Hornsley started her career in publishing in 2012 at Orion Books, followed by a short stint in script development before becoming a literary agent in 2015, joining PFD in 2021. She was selected for The Bookseller Rising Star list in 2019. She lives in Essex with her family, and writes alongside working as an agent. Her first novel, *Bad Blood*, was published in 2025. Rights have sold in multiple territories and it has been optioned for television.

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Binding	Hardback
Format	Royal
Extent	336 pages
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Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
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Book locale	Texas
Author born in	Texas
Author living in	Texas
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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

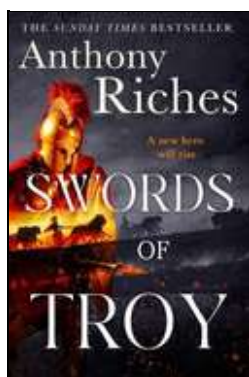
- **'PRAISE FOR KELSEY COX'S DAZZLING THRILLERS'**
- 'A glamorous party in a lavish mansion and a brilliant cast of characters, none of whom can be trusted. **Loved this book - can't wait to see what Kelsey writes next'** - Catherine Cooper
- **'Big Little Lies** meets **Rebecca** - **the thriller of 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.



Publication date	Thursday, July 16, 2026
Price	£25.00 / ₹2399
Main Identifier	9781399756396
Thema 1.6	Historical adventure fiction (FJH) War, combat and military adventure fiction (FJM)

Binding	Hardback
Format	Royal
Extent	320 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	Map to be included
Series	Swords of Troy Series
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can

Book locale	Ancient Troy
Author living in	Needham Market

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Centurions series

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Swords of Troy

A new epic series of ancient myth and historical adventure from the SUNDAY TIMES bestseller

Anthony Riches

Keynote

A fresh take on the story of the sacking of Troy based on compelling historical research, from a living legend of historical adventure.

Description

FROM AMONGST THE RANKS OF LEGENDARY HEROES, A NEW ONE WILL RISE.

For **Leonteus**, bastard son of the former king of Argos, the hegemon of **King Diomedes'** bodyguard, his half-brother, is what he has trained for his entire life.

But the stability of the land of the Achaeans is suddenly rent in two by the abduction of **King Menelaus's** queen, **Helen**, by a prince of Troy.

Agamemnon, Menelaus's brother, calls on all the foremost men who, as Helen's suitors, swore allegiance to defend the man who won her hand a decade before. Honourable Diomedes answers that summons.

The hundred-thousand-man army of the Achaeans sail for war amidst ill-fated omens, destined either to reduce Troy's great walls to rubble, or die far from home.

And Leonteus, brother of a warrior king, comrade to the wily **Odysseus**, peerless but troubled **Achilles** and the grasping, self-centred Agamemnon, will find himself at the heart of the deadliest war ever fought.

From Sunday Times bestseller and legend of historical adventure Anthony Riches comes a sensational new vision of the Trojan War.

Sales Points

- **NEW DIRECTION:** so long known for writing in the Roman world, this is a timely departure for Anthony, while still ensuring he remains within the historical adventure genre he is best known for.
- **REPUTATION:** Anthony is both a bestselling author of historical fiction across both the Empire and Centurions series, as well as a hugely respected historian. He is fast approaching one million copies of his books sold.
- **RIPPING UP THE RULE BOOK:** a totally unique approach on the legend of Troy, taking everything we know and throwing it out the window for a conversation starting story

Reviews

- 'I missed my stop reading chapter three. This feels effortless, weightless. Wonderful' - Conn Iggulden, #1 SUNDAY TIMES and NEW YORK TIMES bestseller
- 'A brilliant retelling of the epic legend with real flesh and blood characterisation. Fine work from an historical novelist at the top of his game!' - Simon Scarrow, #1 SUNDAY TIMES bestselling author
- 'A fresh and original recreation of the Trojan War, fast paced with exciting and visceral action sequences' - Harry Sidebottom, Sunday Times bestselling author
- 'Anthony Riches is a writer at the peak of his power. *Swords of Troy* is a superb retelling of one of history's greatest stories, a masterful combination of scholarship and storytelling' - Douglas Jackson, bestselling author of THE WALL

Author Biography

Anthony Riches holds a degree in Military Studies from Manchester University. He began writing the story that would become the first novel in the *Empire* series, *Wounds of Honour*, after visiting Housesteads Roman fort in 1996. Married with three grown up children, he now lives in Suffolk. He is also the writer of the 'Protector' thriller series.

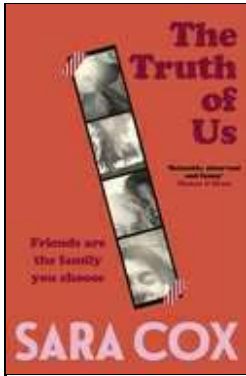
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Market

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The Truth of Us

The unforgettable new novel from the beloved radio broadcaster and bestselling author

Sara Cox

Keynote

The Truth of Us is the unforgettable new novel from beloved radio broadcaster and national treasure Sara Cox, whose storytelling has been hailed as 'warm, funny and perceptive' by Elizabeth Day.

Description

FRIENDS ARE THE FAMILY YOU CHOOSE.

Manchester, 1982. The houses on the street are almost identical but number 51 has always been slightly neater, a shiny penny next to number 49. The people inside have their differences too but still their lives are entwined, most especially for young girls Abi and Christy. From questionable fashion choices, illicit nights out and doomed romances, growing up together they share everything. Except the secret that eventually tears them apart.

Two decades later, Abi's life is one of marriage, family and stability. Christy, always the wilder of the two, has travelled and partied and risen high in the TV world. Until, unexpectedly, they're living next door to each other again. Is it finally time to confront the past and speak the truth?

***The Truth of Us* showcases Sara Cox's superb storytelling skills in an unforgettable story that spans generations but always stays truthful to the strong, funny and complex women at its heart.**

Sales Points

- **FROM THE BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF WAY BACK AND THROWN** a brand new novel from Sara Cox.
- **MAJOR PROFILE** Sara presents the **BBC Radio 2 Teatime Show** every weekday from 4-7pm, hosts popular book talk show ***Between the Covers*** on BBC Two and the hit podcast ***The Teen Commandments***.
- **WARMTH, HEART AND MISCHIEF** guaranteed great storytelling, relatable characters and earthy humour. For fans of Ruth Jones, Marian Keyes and Bella Mackie.
- **CONSISTENT BESTSELLERS** Sara's memoir, ***Till the Cows Come Home***, and two novels, ***Thrown*** and ***Way Back***, have all been instant *Sunday Times* and digital bestsellers.
- **HUGE MARKET VALUE** Sara's previous books have sold a combined 116k copies through TCM (as of Oct 2024), with a total value of £927k.

Author Biography

Sara Cox is known and loved by millions of BBC Radio 2 listeners, where she presents her teatime show every weekday from 4-7 p.m. She developed a passion for broadcasting at BBC Radio 1 and presented the *Breakfast Show* for four years, reaching eight million listeners.

Her memoir *Till the Cows Come Home* (2018) and her novels *Thrown* (2022) and *Way Back* (2023) were all instant *Sunday Times* bestsellers.

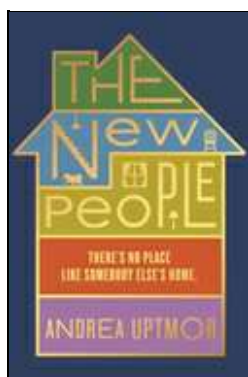
Sara lives with her family in north London. She stays in tune with her farming background by having too many pets and riding her horse, Nelly.

Publication date	Thursday, July 16, 2026
Price	£15.99 / ₹1499
Main Identifier	9781399737739
Thema 1.6	Contemporary lifestyle fiction (FQ) Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	384 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex UK, Can); Ire
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Author born in	Bolton
Author living in	London
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Thema 1.6	Romance (FR) Modern and Contemporary romance (FRD) Relating to gay people (5PSG)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	320 pages
Word Count	
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Exclusively for Sale	Africa; ANZ; EU; Ind; Ire; M East
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The New People

A heartwarming inversion of Bong Joon Ho's PARASITE. Perfect for your next book club read

Andrea Uptmor

Keynote

A newly married couple move into a flipped foreclosure, unaware that the former homeowners are still living in the attic, in this striking and intimate debut about motherhood, loss and the true cost of starting over.

Description

Months after the housing bubble bursts in 2008, newlyweds Emma and Rachel move into a charming house in a conservative college town, hoping for a fresh start after a painful miscarriage.

As Rachel immerses herself in her new role as a professor and bestselling novelist, Emma struggles in the shadow of her wife's success. The house soon becomes a refuge, until strange occurrences make Emma question whether she and her wife are truly alone.

They aren't.

Charlotte and Dirk, the former homeowners whose lives were upended by foreclosure, are secretly living in the attic. Dispossessed by the recession and anxious about her husband's declining health, Charlotte clings to the hope that her estranged son will return to the home they lost.

As she waits, she listens to the new occupants below, her resentment growing as she witnesses the life she once had slipping further away. Determined to reclaim her home, Charlotte climbs down from the attic at intervals to sabotage the interlopers.

But when her campaign to drive out the couple goes too far, Charlotte's and Emma's stories converge in an explosive climax, revealing the lengths people will go to, to reclaim what they've lost.

Sales Points

- **STUNNING, ORIGINAL CONCEPT:** A thought provoking family drama that takes a trope from the creepiest of domestic suspense stories and inverts it in the most thoughtful way; a hook that cannot help but compel you to read
- **PERFECT FOR BOOK CLUBS:** *The New People* blends aching realism with disquieting domestic tension, delving into tense debates over gay marriage, IVF, class divides and the fragility of shelter and security. This is a conversation starting summer read with true commercial potential.
- **A TIMELY, VIRAL HOOK:** With increased cultural interest in "phrogging" and squatter stories, *The New People* taps into an established fascination with people secretly living inside other people's homes.

Reviews

- 'Andrea Uptmor's *The New People* is a delicate exploration of humanity in all its forms, touching on infertility, addiction, grief, and love with real awareness and pathos' - Loretta Rothschild, bestselling author of *FINDING GRACE*
- 'This is a book of wonders. At first you wonder how the central situation could possibly have happened, and then you become convinced that it would have happened in exactly that way. With its suspenseful story, the novel tells us about people who live in hiding, and how we live or try to live now, visibly or invisibly. Its characters and their secrets will stay with you long after you turn the last page' - Charles Baxter, author of *BLOOD TEST*

Author Biography

Andrea Uptmor received her MFA in fiction at the University of Minnesota, and her short fiction has been published in *McSweeney's*, *PANK*, and *The Masters Review*, among others. She lives in the Chicago area with her family.

Market

For readers of Catherine Newman, Claire Lombardo, Kate Sawyer and Jenny Jackson

Publication date	Thursday, July 23, 2026
Price	£16.99 / ₹1599
Main Identifier	9781399765411
Thema 1.6	Poetry anthologies (various poets) (DCQ) Short stories (FYB) Sleep disorders and therapy (MKZS)
Binding	Hardback
Format	178x129
Extent	272 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
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Author living in	N/A
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Bedtime Stories for Stressed Out Adults DESIGNED TO CALM YOUR MIND FOR A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP

Various

Keynote

Tales to soothe tired souls. A night time companion for frazzled adults, including calming stories and poems for a good night's sleep.

Description

THE PERFECT NIGHTTIME READ - DESIGNED TO CALM YOUR MIND FOR A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP

***Introduced by Lucy Mangan* Recommended by RED magazine ***

'Dreamy' STYLIST

'Calm and restore an anxious mind before sleep... the most beautiful book that will, without a doubt, put you in the mood for some ZZZZs.' *THE SUN*

Tales to soothe tired souls. A nighttime companion for frazzled adults, including calming stories and poems for a good night's sleep. This cheering book of best loved short tales, extracts and poems will calm and restore an anxious mind.

Sleep is essential for our well being and our health, but in our busy lives it is often poor and overlooked. Now is the time to put down your smartphone, stop a while and find consolation and wonder in other worlds where all is well and sleep just a page or two away.

From classic stories by Oscar Wilde, Guy de Maupassant and Katherine Mansfield, to friendly tales of our childhoods and poetry that reminds us of the simple joys of life, this lovingly curated book will soothe a tired mind and gently carry you to the peaceful land of sleep.

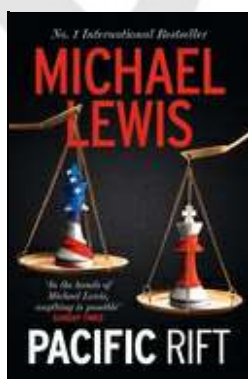
So switch off, snuggle down and allow yourself to escape into new worlds and old; magical, mysterious and tender realms that will accompany you to your own sweet dreams.

'Hurrah for a book that draws us away from the cold blue light of the smart phone and into the soothing glow of poems, short stories and extracts' *THE SIMPLE THINGS*

PICKED FOR WORLD BOOK NIGHT 2020

Sales Points

- A collection of short stories, extracts and poems aimed at anxious adults who may have trouble sleeping.
- *Bedtime Stories for Stressed Out Adults* contains short stories, fairytales and poems that will appeal to the young at heart, especially those seeking a little bit of nostalgia.
- Beautifully packaged gift-sized hardback, designed to be easy to curl up with before bedtime.
- The perfect present for a stressed-out adult in your life - including yourself.



Pacific Rift

The Story of the Epic Culture Clash Between Japan and the USA - from the no 1 bestselling author of The Big Short

Michael Lewis

Keynote

By the author of the #1 bestseller **THE BIG SHORT** and the original business classic **LIAR'S POKER** comes a reissue of the definitive and hugely entertaining book about America and Japan.

Description

'In the hands of Michael Lewis, anything is possible' *Sunday Times*

The story of the epic culture clash between Japan and the USA from the author of *The Big Short* and *Liar's Poker*

In *Pacific Rift*, Michael Lewis follows the fortunes of two cultural transplants: Bob Collins, a forthright American insurance executive who lives and works in Tokyo, and Shuji Tomikawa, a Harvard-educated Japanese man working for Mitsui Real Estate in New York City.

Through these men, Lewis sheds fascinating light on business practices on either side of the Pacific, from the Ginza bars of Tokyo to the wino gangs of Times Square. Written with Lewis's trademark wit and insight, this is a vivid portrait of economic rivalry, cultural exchange and a new global order.

Sales Points

- Reissued with a striking new jacket that mentions Lewis's recent #1 bestseller **THE BIG SHORT**
- 'Michael Lewis is, by a long way, the most important financial writer alive today' (*Spectator*)
- **LIAR'S POKER** was a huge bestseller when first published and is still the must-read book for anyone who works in the City.
- 'The funniest book about Wall Street I have ever read', Tom Wolfe [on **LIAR'S POKER**].

Reviews

- 'Praise for **LIAR'S POKER**: 'An amazing book, readable, funny and mind-boggling ... one of the great business books of all time' - *Punch*
- 'Read all about it: headlong greed, inarticulate obscenity, *Animal House* horseplay . . .' - *The Sunday Times*
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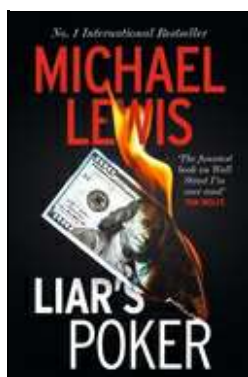
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Liar's Poker

The Hilarious Inside Story of 1980s Wall Street - from the no 1 bestselling author of THE BIG SHORT

Michael Lewis

Keynote

The original classic that revealed the truth about ambition, greed and excess in London and Wall Street, by the author of #1 bestsellers *The Big Short* and *Flash Boys*

Description

THE MILLION-COPY BESTSELLER

'So memorable and alive . . . one of those rare works that encapsulate and define an era' *Fortune*

'Groundbreaking . . . remains required reading on Wall Street' *New York Times*

'Wickedly funny' *Daily Express*

Michael Lewis's iconic first book, defining an era of greed and outrageous fortune on Wall Street

In 1986, before Michael Lewis became the bestselling author of *The Big Short*, *Moneyball*, and *Flash Boys*, he landed a job at Salomon Brothers, one of Wall Street's premier investment firms. During the next three years, Lewis rose from callow trainee to bond salesman, raking in millions for the firm and cashing in on a modern-day gold rush.

Liar's Poker is the culmination of those heady, frenzied years - a behind-the-scenes look at a unique and turbulent time in business. Funny, frightening and heartless, this is the original story of hysterical greed and ambition.

Sales Points

- 'The funniest book about Wall Street I have ever read' Tom Wolfe
- Repackaged with a stunning new cover
- Published in early July, making for perfect male holiday reading
- The real-life BONFIRE OF THE VANITIES
- The classic tale of Wall Street greed told with Michael Lewis' characteristic wit

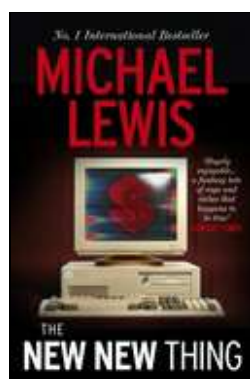
Reviews

- '[A] modern classic... a true insider's account... Michael Lewis is, by a long way, the **most important financial writer alive today** - not just in his native America, but worldwide.' - *Spectator*
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The New New Thing

The Gripping Inside Story of Silicon Valley - from the no 1 bestselling author of The Big Short

Michael Lewis

Keynote

From the author of the #1 bestseller THE BIG SHORT and the original business classic LIAR'S POKER comes the definitive 21st-century business story

Description

'Hugely enjoyable . . . it reads like a novel, a fantasy tale of rags and riches that happens to be true' - *Sunday Times*

'A fascinating journey into the Wild West of American capitalism' - *Daily Telegraph*

The gripping inside story of Silicon Valley from the author of *The Big Short* and *Liar's Poker*

As the millennium drew to a close, Michael Lewis set out to find the world's most influential technology entrepreneur - the person who would most embody the spirit of the coming age. His search led him to Jim Clark, the billionaire who founded Netscape and Silicon Graphics.

In *The New New Thing*, Lewis accompanies Clark on the maiden voyage of his superyacht and, on the sometimes hazardous journey, takes the reader on the ride of a lifetime through a landscape of geeks and billionaires. This is the lively and hilarious inside story of Silicon Valley's super-rich and the history of the internet revolution.

Sales Points

- Reissued with a striking new jacket that mentions Lewis's recent #1 bestseller THE BIG SHORT
- The ultimate Silicon Valley story by **'the most important financial writer alive today'** (*Spectator*)

Reviews

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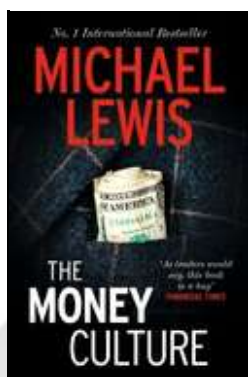
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The Money Culture

The Outrageous Exposé of the 1980s Financial Scene - from the no 1 bestselling author of The Big Short

Michael Lewis

Keynote

A modern resissue of a bestselling classic by the author of the #1 bestseller **THE BIG SHORT**

Description

'Michael Lewis is, by a long way, the most important financial writer alive today' *Spectator*

'One of our most entertaining writers. *The Money Culture* rivals *Liar's Poker* in giggle-inspiring quality' *New York Times*

True stories of money turned to madness in the 1980s from the author of *The Big Short* and *Liar's Poker*

The 1980s was the most turbulent era in the financial market since the crash of '29, not only on Wall Street but around the world. Michael Lewis, as a trainee at Salomon Brothers in New York and later an investment banker and financial journalist, was uniquely positioned to chronicle the ambition and folly that fuelled that decade.

In *The Money Culture* we meet the movers and shakers who commanded the headlines and rewrote the rules. This is a gripping account of the biggest names and moments in one of the most outrageous decades in Wall Street's history.

Sales Points

- Repackaged in a new, modern series style referencing THE BIG SHORT alongside PACIFIC RIFT, THE NEW, NEW THING and LIAR'S POKER.
- LIAR'S POKER was a huge bestseller when first published and is still the must-read book for anyone who works in the City.
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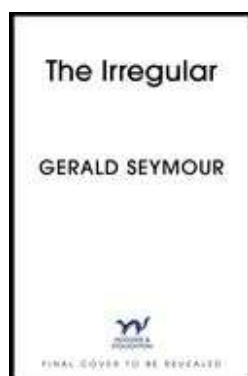
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The Irregular

The utterly gripping new instalment in the Jonas Merrick series from the master of the spy thriller

Gerald Seymour

Keynote

An intense spy thriller, spanning multiple continents and intelligence agencies, *The Irregular* finds Jonas Merrick and Gerald Seymour at their nailbiting best.

Description

The Metropolitan Police have an unsolvable problem: 'Lachy' Wilson is a ruthless and obscenely rich British drugs lord who has bought off dozens of their officers. Thanks to these informants, no one can lay a glove on Wilson and he is considered 'untouchable'.

Wilson is dreaming of one last, game-changing shipment of heroin into the UK. The Met turn to the outside for help. Jonas Merrick is an MI5 officer, unspectacular in his own right but spectacular in the success he's had in dangerous counter terrorist operations. Can he thwart the drugs plot?

Jonas has an ace in the hole: Kenny 'Chopper' Harris is an ex-paratrooper and soon to be ex-member of the Flying Squad, looking for a new home, new loyalties. Jonas recruits him to get close to Wilson's Achilles's heel: Julie Wilson is the heir apparent to the family drugs empire and Lachy's go-between. Julie, like Chopper, is a lost soul - she dreams of life outside her father's brutal orbit. Her fate is about to change at their first meeting. A bond is formed, a resolution is made: Chopper will get her free of her family, if she'll betray her mission.

Soon their desperate game of deception begins - a game which will inevitably end in a bloody denouement.

Sales Points

- **VETERAN AUTHOR:** Gerald Seymour is a master of the thriller genre, with an amazing track record and extensive backlist.
- **EVER-RELEVANT:** Gerald Seymour has a truly uncanny knack for topical themes.
- **MUCH-LOVED SERIES:** *The Irregular* is the sixth book in the Jonas Merrick series. *The Crocodile Hunter* - the first - was a *Times* Book of the Week in 2021, and the second and third were *Sunday Times* Thrillers of the Month.
- **PRESTIGE PUBLISHING:** *Harry's Game*, Gerald Seymour's groundbreaking debut, turns 50 in 2025. It has been listed in the *Times*'s Best Novels Since 1945 and is being reissued by H&S. This is the perfect opportunity for Gerald to be celebrated as the master thriller writer that he is.

Reviews

- **'PRAISE FOR GERALD SEYMOUR'**
- 'Gerald Seymour has created **the most memorable hero of his long career**' - *The Times*
- 'You don't read Gerald Seymour, **you commit to it totally**. His stories have **amazing detail**, yet you still fly through them' - *Sun*
- 'There are **strong echoes of George Smiley** in Merrick's mild and unprepossessing manner, which disguises a razor-sharp brain and considerable courage when necessary' - *Financial Times*

Author Biography

Gerald Seymour exploded onto the literary scene in 1975 with the massive bestseller HARRY'S GAME. The first major thriller to tackle the modern troubles in Northern Ireland, it was described by Frederick Forsyth as 'like nothing else I have ever read' and it changed the landscape of the British thriller forever.

Gerald Seymour was a reporter at ITN for fifteen years. He covered events in Vietnam, Borneo, Aden, the Munich Olympics, Israel and Northern Ireland. He has been a full-time writer since 1978.

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Summer Under a Starry French Sky

Get swept away this summer by this gorgeous second chance romance

Sophie Claire

Keynote

Get swept away this summer by this gorgeous second chance romance, set in the rolling hills of Provence

Description

Daredevil stunt double Amber is fearless in every way... except when it comes to love.

She isn't scared of high-speed car chases. Or of being beaten up. Or even of diving off a cliff - literally. But relationships? That's where you really get hurt.

So when she finds herself spending the summer working on a film set in the rolling French hills she's 100% clear: romantic as the setting may be, she's not open to anything besides casual flings.

Enter scruffily handsome archaeology academic Romain. He's furious to be missing an important dig to work instead as an on-set historical accuracy advisor for a ridiculous Hollywood movie, and his scathing tone soon starts to irritate Amber no end. After a disastrous run-in one night she vows to avoid the grumpy professor for good.

And yet.

As long hot days melt into slow evenings drinking wine under the stars, everyone on set finds themselves changed by the sensual French summer unfolding around them. And Amber and Romain can't help but feel their own walls start to come down too...

But can a change of setting ever really be enough to bring about a change of heart?

Sales Points

- **DEEPLY ROMANTIC SETTING**, our story takes place in the gorgeous rolling hills of Provence - the perfect summer getaway.
- **LUSH WITH SENSORY DETAIL**, from the smell of the pine forests at night to the taste of good French wine, this novel will completely immerse you in a hot French summer.
- **SECOND CHANCE ROMANCE**, readers won't be able to help but be moved by this story of two people slowly tearing down their walls and opening themselves up to love again - even when it might mean getting hurt.
- **PERFECT FOR FANS OF** escapist and emotionally fulfilling romances, who read authors like Cressida McLaughlin, Philippa Ashley and Heidi Swain.
- **WARM, SWEET AND NERDY**: like Amber, readers will fall hard for scruffily handsome professor Romain, whose grumpy, bookish persona doesn't manage to hide his warm heart and deliciously offbeat charm.

Reviews

- *'Praise for Sophie Claire'*
- **'Enduring and endearing. A truly romantic read! Full of Sophie's trademark warmth and charm'** - Heidi Swain
- **'A sumptuous Christmas romance'** - Woman & Home
- **'A gorgeous read - lush and romantic'** - Philippa Ashley

Author Biography

Sophie Claire, born to a French mother and Scottish father, grew up in Manchester where she still lives with her husband and two sons. She writes stories centred around sunny Provence, where she spent her summers as a child.

Sophie is the author of six gorgeously escapist seasonal romances, including *The Christmas Holiday*, *An Escape to Provence* and her latest novel, *Christmas at the French Repair Shop*.



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Is That You, Beth Cherry? the warm and witty new novel from the author of Irresponsible Adult

Lucy Dillon

Keynote

Warm, funny and life-affirming, this uplifting novel is perfect for fans of Jojo Moyes, Katie Fforde and Jenny Colgan

Description

Beth's life, like the unfinished manuscript on her laptop, is stuck.

Since her devastating breakup with Fraser she's retreated into a lonely working-from-home world of sweatpants, disordered timekeeping and comfort eating. The one luminous constant in her life is her love for her rescue dog, Tomsk, and his for her.

When her house share falls apart, she is thrown a lifeline by the least likely person: Fraser's mother Martine, who offers Beth and Tomsk a temporary space above her garage in which to start over.

But Martine's favours always come at a price: she's volunteered a reluctant Beth as a writer for a project called The Story of Your Life, run by the local retirement community. Some of the stories Beth hears are heartwarming, some are heartbreaking, and some even make her question her own past relationships. All of them, she notes, reveal a little more than the teller realises...

When she is sent an anonymous story of first love that threatens to destroy more than one family's identity, Beth faces an impossible decision, and ultimately must choose:

Is she in charge of her own story? Or will she let someone else write her last chapter.

Sales Points

- **YOUR FAVOURITE AUTHORS LOVE LUCY DILLON:** to name but a few Jojo Moyes, Katie Fforde, Jenny Colgan, Mike Gayle and Alexandra Potter have all lined up to praise Lucy's writing.
- **FROM AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR LUCY DILLON** who among many other achievements has twice won the Romantic Novelists Association Novel of the Year award.
- **SET IN LONGHAMPTON** the fictional English town where all of Lucy's novels are set - the familiar cast and setting will delight her returning readers.
- **CAREFULLY TARGETED, HIGH-PROFILE CAMPAIGN:** across women's media, brand partnerships and book clubs, to delight women's fiction readers.

Reviews

- 'So good! Warm and funny, and I was rooting for Robyn from the very first page' - MILLY JOHNSON
- 'Funny, perceptive and oh-so-relatable, Robyn's reluctant mission to clean up her world is full of laughs and also some heart-twisting surprises' - ALEXANDRA POTTER
- 'A funny, relatable read with some surprise twists' - *STYLIST*

Author Biography

Lucy Dillon grew up by the seaside in Cumbria, and read English at Cambridge University, before working as a fiction editor. She is the best-selling author of eleven novels set in the market town of Longhampton, including Romantic Novelists Association Novels of the Year *Lost Dogs* and *Lonely Hearts* and *A Hundred Pieces of Me*. An enthusiastic collector of dog-related junk, Lucy lives in Herefordshire with an English Otterhound, a Welsh Pembroke Corgi and a Scottish Husband.

Market

For fans of Sophie Kinsella, Milly Johnson and Alexandra Potter.



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The Devil's Bible

An utterly gripping and addictive action-adventure thriller from New York Times bestselling author Steve Berry

Steve Berry

Keynote

The next action-packed and thrilling book in the Cotton Malone series from internationally bestselling author Steve Berry.

Description

From celebrated *New York Times* bestselling author Steve Berry, don't miss the next action-packed Cotton Malone novel!

Former Justice Department operative, Cotton Malone, is called to Sweden when the younger sister of King Wilhelm is kidnapped. The ransom demand? Hand over an 800-year-old book, the Codex Gigas, the largest illuminated medieval manuscript in the world. Claimed as war loot from Bohemia in 1648, it's been kept in Stockholm for nearly 400 years. Along the way it also acquired another more mysterious moniker: **The Devil's Bible**.

Now the Czech Republic wants the codex back, and Sweden has agreed to return it, but forces are at work to stop that deal from happening. The likely instigator? Russia. Who is also top of the list for possible kidnappers. It's up to Cotton and Cassiopeia Vitt to locate the king's sister, secure the codex, and thwart the Russians. Yet nothing is as it seems. Trusted allies become hostile enemies. Long-standing enemies suddenly shift into partners. Making matters worse an array of conflicting personalities re-emerge from Cotton's past, transforming an already chaotic international situation into something far more personal and deadly.

From the cobbled streets of Stockholm with its placid waterways and picturesque islands, to the hostile skies over the Baltic Sea, and finally onto a fabled 16th century Swedish warship, Cotton and Cassiopeia come face-to-face with the unthinkable - changing both of their lives forever.

Sales Points

- **BESTSELLING AUTHOR:** Steve Berry has been a regular *New York Times* bestseller for decades and has more than 25 million books in print across the globe.
- **PERFECT FOR FANS OF:** Dan Brown, Sam Bourne and Scott Mariani, Steve Berry marries real historical research with fast-paced, action-filled plots.
- **DEDICATED READERSHIP:** This is the 20th action adventure novel in the Cotton Malone series, and readers just can't get enough, as Steve consistently receives strong reader reviews.

Reviews

- "Steve Berry is at the top of his game, blending history and fiction into a propulsive thriller. Highly recommend!" - *Reader review*
- "Steve Berry has produced a masterpiece" - *Reader review*
- "I love Steve Berry's mix of intrigue, adventure, and historical context. I zipped through this novel and I am anxiously awaiting the next one" - *Reader review*
- "Impressed as always, and again sad that I finished the book so fast and can't wait for his next book" - *Reader review*

Author Biography

Steve Berry is the *New York Times* and #1 internationally bestselling author of nineteen Cotton Malone novels, five standalone thrillers, two Luke Daniels adventures, and several works of short fiction. He has more than twenty- six million books in print, translated into forty- one languages. With his wife, Elizabeth, he is the founder of History Matters, an organization dedicated to historical preservation. He serves as an emeritus member of the Smithsonian Libraries Advisory Board and was a founding member of International Thriller Writers, formerly serving as its copresident.

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This Blade of Ours

The dazzling conclusion to the seductive and sensational This Monster of Mine

Shalini Abeysekara

Keynote

The thrilling conclusion to the dark and addictive romantasy duology which sees Sarai and Kadra fight to stay together as their world is ripped apart by rebellion, plague and ancient gods.

Description

Rebellion was their weapon. Now it's their curse.

Sarai believed the worst was behind her. However, months after exposing the government's corruption in what has now been deemed "the Great Unravelling," she faces scorn from citizens who preferred her and Kadra as the underdogs than victors. Worse, eerie omens rock the country: from a deadly plague outbreak to a sweeping madness that leave the afflicted ranting of an approaching reckoning. Accused of angering the gods, Sarai returns to the only place that can clear her name: Ur Dinyé's frozen north. But among the secrets buried in its ice are Kadra's.

Cursed with frightening, new abilities, Kadra struggles to protect Sarai against a land at odds with itself. When historical tensions worsen between the north and the south, a powerful religious order seizes control in the chaos, led by a man whose very voice can kill-Noceo bu Kader. Trapped between love and a crumbling country, Sarai and Kadra must outwit a power with roots as deep in fear as in cruelty. But the gods are always watching, and Sarai and Kadra may not escape a second time.

Sales Points

- The first book in the duology, *This Monster of Mine*, was a #1 Sunday Times bestseller, w/c April 14, 2025
- Tropes: enemies-to-lovers, slow burn romance; forced proximity, stabby heroines, villains who get the girl, vengeance plots, morally grey characters
- Perfect for fans of Carissa Broadbent, Sarah A. Parker, Jennifer Armentrout, Rebecca Yarros
- A lushly decadent and thrilling romantasy from a brilliant, very promotable new voice in the genre

Reviews

- **'PRAISE FOR THIS MONSTER OF MINE'** - -, -
- 'In a world rife with corruption, *This Monster of Mine* dares to ask the question: what's the cost of doing what is right? With sizzling romantic tension, intricate world-building, and an irresistible mystery at its core, this book is an absolute feast for the senses. A dazzling and deliciously dark debut!' - Keshe Chow, Sunday Times bestselling author of *The Girl With No Reflection*

Author Biography

Shalini Abeysekara is the author of *This Monster of Mine*. She is a neurodivergent woman of color and a former lawyer based in Hamilton, Canada. She enjoys using fantasy as a mirror to interrogate both government policies and the bizarre workings of the business world. She is passionate about depicting other neurodivergent women of color reckoning with themselves and their place in a world that tells them they're too much or not enough. When not glued to the screen for some escapist purpose or the other, you'll find her attempting to re-create famous desserts, doomscrolling, or both. She still can't believe she's an adult and hopes you don't either.

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The Lure of Wolves and Whispers a propulsive and dark romantasy for fans of One Dark Window

Amanda Connolly

Keynote

Set in a world where magic is banned, a desperate woman trades her life to a rebel leader in exchange for her sister's survival in this dark romantasy debut.

Description

MAGIC COMES WITH A TERRIBLE PRICE. ARE YOU WILLING TO PAY?

Years after the High King banned magic, whispers persist that a mage remembered only as the Martyr lies in hiding, waiting to lead the people into their powers once more.

For Maeve, the stories are just that, stories. But when her sister is gravely injured, she risks impalement on the dreaded Black Dock for a chance to buy the forbidden magic that could save her sister's life and trade her own to a ruthless and dangerously alluring rebel leader.

Bound to do the rebel leader's bidding, Maeve begins to suspect he knows more than he lets on. But as she probes deeper, a dark past emerges tying him to a prince who could be even more brutal than his father - and who could hold the key to whether they will live or die. With the Isle on the brink of war, trust and survival come at a terrible cost - one that will tear her world, and her heart, in two.

Sales Points

- **DARK ROMANTIC FANTASY:** This dark and deliciously addictive fantasy grabs you by the heart and refuses to let you go. Packed with everything readers know and love about this genre; enemies to lovers, allies to lovers, a bride competition, a love triangle, a slow burn and a seductive shadow daddy set to take BookTok by storm.
- **ANGRY AND EXPLOSIVE:** filled with feminine rage and with an explosive ending that will leave you desperate for more, this fantasy has an intricately built world, set after magic has been forbidden, where the pursuit of it comes with a horrible cost. It's dark and deadly, and all-consuming.
- **PERFECT FOR FANS OF** *Kingdom of the Wicked*, *One Dark Window*, *Powerless* and *The Foxglove King*.

Reviews

- 'A relentless ride through a land sundered by poison and rebellion, Connolly's *The Lure of Wolves and Whispers* is as raw, compelling, and as unflinching in the face of horror as its protagonist. The delicious slow-burn romance is the cherry on top of a masterfully-woven debut' - *Shalini Abeysekara*
- '[A] pulse-pounding romantasy debut. . . Maeve's candid narration amplifies the tale's emotional impact, while subtle, effective worldbuilding adds texture. Political intrigue, high-stakes action, and a steamy love triangle between white-cued characters combine for a twisty, electrifying trilogy launch' - *Publishers Weekly*, starred review
- 'This trilogy opener infused with Irish lore is a fast-paced, bloody story of cruelty, fear, and the fragile power of hope. The action begins on the first page and holds strong through the end. The characters are complex, and the romantic tension is steamy. . . A sizzling, high-stakes debut launching a series that readers will greedily devour' - *Kirkus Reviews*, starred review
- '*The Bachelor meets Throne of Glass* in this atmospheric, slow-burn romantasy . . . The story is well-paced and readers will be kept on their toes as the plot shifts between the tasks of the competition, life in the castle, and Maeve's rebellious activities. A promising debut; hand to readers who enjoyed Lauren Roberts's *Powerless* and Shelby Mahurin's *Serpent & Dove*' - *SLJ*

Author Biography

Amanda Connolly is an award-winning journalist whose work focuses on Canadian and international politics, most often around issues of foreign policy, national security and defence, and gender equality. She is a dual Canadian-Irish citizen and *The Lure of Wolves and Whispers*, her debut novel, draws loose inspiration from the legend claiming St. Patrick drove the snakes out of Ireland centuries ago. She resides in Canada's beautiful capital of Ottawa.

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Extent	464 pages
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Series	The Martyred Isle Series
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Author living in	Canada
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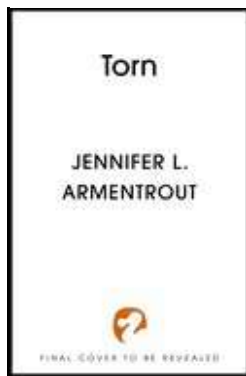
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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	352 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Series	A Wicked Trilogy
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
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Oblivion
Obsession
Obsidian
Onyx
Opal
Opposition
Origin
Pure
Sentinel
Shadows
The Power
The Prophecy
The Return
The Struggle
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Torn

The steamy sequel in paranormal romance series WICKED by bestselling author, Jennifer L. Armentrout

Jennifer L. Armentrout

Keynote

In the sequel to WICKED, Ivy is "torn" between her duty to the Order and her survival, all while trying to maintain her forbidden relationship with Ren, an Elite member of the Order.

Description

Torn between duty and survival, nothing can be the same.

Everything Ivy Morgan thought she knew has been turned on its head. After being betrayed and then nearly killed by the Prince of the Fae, she's left bruised and devastated-and with an earth-shattering secret that she must keep at all costs. And if the Order finds out her secret, they'll kill her.

Then there's Ren Owens, the sexy, tattooed Elite member of the Order who has been sharing Ivy's bed and claiming her heart. Their chemistry is smoking hot, but Ivy knows that Ren has always valued his duty to the Order above all else-he could never touch her if he knew the truth. That is, if he let her live at all. Yet how can she live with herself if she lies to him?

But as the Fae Prince begins to close in, intent on permanently opening the gates to the Otherworld, Ivy is running out of options. If she doesn't figure out who she can trust-and fast-it's not only her heart that will be torn apart, but civilization itself.

Sales Points

- **FANTASTIC AUTHOR BRAND & ENGAGED FANBASE** #1 New York Times and #1 International Bestselling author!! A beloved author with a legion of fans who adore her writing.
- **APPETITE FOR ROMANTASY** Addictive enemies-to-lovers trope set against the backdrop of a secret war between humans and the faeries of the Otherworld.
- **GREAT REVIEWS** This series comes with an array of fantastic reviews from readers, showing how compelling it is.

Author Biography

#1 *New York Times* and #1 international bestselling author Jennifer L. Armentrout lives in Shepherdstown, West Virginia. All the rumors you've heard about her state aren't true. When she's not hard at work writing, she spends her time reading, watching really bad zombie movies, pretending to write, hanging out with her husband, her Border Jack Apollo, Border Collie Artemis, six judgmental alpacas, two rude goats, and five fluffy sheep. In early 2015, Jennifer was diagnosed with retinitis pigmentosa, a group of rare genetic disorders that involve a breakdown and death of cells in the retina, eventually resulting in loss of vision, among other complications. Due to this diagnosis, educating people on the varying degrees of blindness has become a passion of hers, right alongside writing, which she plans to do as long as she can.



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Main Identifier	9781399762021
Thema 1.6	Fantasy romance / Romantic fantasy (FMR)
	Romance (FR)
	Fantasy (FM)
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Wicked

The must-read, addictive first book in the steamy paranormal WICKED series from bestselling author, Jennifer L. Armentrout

Jennifer L. Armentrout

Keynote

Ivy Morgan is a college student by day and a faerie hunter by night. She's part of The Order which is a group that has dedicated their lives to protecting people from the faeries and sending them back where they belong.

Description

Twenty-two year old Ivy Morgan isn't your average college student. She, and others like her, know humans aren't the only thing trolling the French Quarter for fun... and for food. Her duty to the Order is her life. After all, four years ago, she lost everything at the hands of the creatures she'd sworn to hunt, tearing her world and her heart apart.

Ren Owens is the last person Ivy expected to enter her rigidly controlled life. He's six feet and three inches of temptation and swoon-inducing charm. With forest-green eyes and a smile that's surely left a stream of broken hearts in its wake, he has an uncanny, almost unnatural ability to make her yearn for everything he has to offer. But letting him in is as dangerous as hunting the cold-blooded killers stalking the streets. Losing the boy she loved once before had nearly destroyed her, but the sparking tension that grows between them becomes impossible for Ivy to deny. Deep down, she wants... she needs more than what her duty demands of her, what her past has shaped for her.

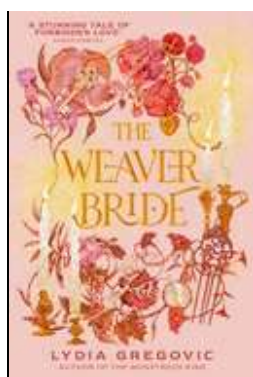
But as Ivy grows closer to Ren, she realizes she's not the only one carrying secrets that could shatter the frail bond between them. There's something he's not telling her, and one thing is for certain. She's no longer sure what is more dangerous to her-the ancient beings threatening to take over the town or the man demanding to lay claim to her heart and her soul.

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Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage fiction: Fantasy (YFH) Fiction: pastiche (FYH) 19th century, c 1800 to c 1899 (3MN)

CBMC	E3N79
Age	12+ years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
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Binding	Paperback
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Author living in	NY, USA

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The Weaver Bride

Lydia Gregovic

Keynote

Part twisting mystery, part thrilling romance, *The Weaver Bride* is an unputdownable romantasy steeped in a lush magical world.

Description

Lovett Tamerlane is a silkwitch, her rare magic harnessed only through marriage to a Weaver. But finding a Weaver husband requires status, refinement, and money, all of which Lovett lacks. Her only saving grace is her secret ability: to open any door.

But when Lovett opens the wrong one, she finds herself face to face with Eliot Lear, the notorious son of a prominent Weaver. Eliot offers her a life-altering opportunity: entrance to the Vainglory, a competition with the ultimate prize - marriage to Noé Alaire, heir to generations of Weaver wealth.

Last year, Eliot's sister won the Vainglory - and died. Now Lovett must solve the mystery of her death. If she does, Eliot will ensure she has her pick of Weaver suitors, regardless of who wins the competition. Yet unravelling the murder proves far more complicated than either of them anticipated. And Lovett should know better than to take a Weaver at his word.

After all . . . what is love without betrayal?

Sales Points

- **Bridgerton in fantasy with a murder mystery:** regency-inspired world with the Bridgerton's atmosphere and dynamics, but adding a murder investigation and a deadly marriage competition.
- **Increasing popularity in YA/NA regency** titles like Sasha Peyton Smith's *THE ROSE BARGAIN* or Allison Saft's *A FRAGILE ENCHANTMENT*.
- *TRIAL OF THE SUN QUEEN* meets *THE SELECTION* meets *RED QUEEN*.

Reviews

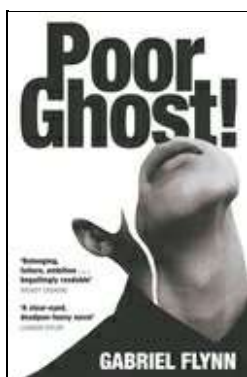
- 'A stunning tale of magic, mystery, and forbidden love ... Lovett Tamerlane is everything I want in a heroine' - *Sarah Hawley, USA Today bestselling author of Servant of Earth*
- **'Unlocks a door between sparkling glamour and deadly secrets. With romance and mysteries both unfurling like shadows, I was completely under this book's spell'** - *Sasha Peyton Smith, New York Times bestselling author of The Witch Haven and The Rose Bargain*
- 'Expertly weaves a page-turning murder mystery and a cutthroat marriage competition with heart pounding romance and a lush, magical world. If you're looking for your next romantic fantasy obsession-here it is' - *I. V. Marie, author of Immortal Consequences*
- **'A perfect mix of classic gothic suspense meets modern romantasy with an ending that had me so spellbound that I'm convinced Lydia Gregovic may be a silkwitch herself'** - *Emily J. Taylor, New York Times bestselling author of Hotel Magnifique and The Otherwhere Post*

Author Biography

Lydia Gregovic is a Brooklyn-based author and editor, whose identity is rooted in the Texas gulf and along the coastline of Montenegro. She currently lives in New York with her complete collection of the works of Jane Austen and several half-dead plants. *The Monstrous Kind* is her first novel.

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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	272 pages
Word Count	
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Poor Ghost!

'Place, belonging, failure, ambition . . . beguilingly readable' Wendy Erskine

Gabriel Flynn

Keynote

Heartbroken and newly adrift in the world, a young man returns to the city where he grew up, that he thought he'd left behind, to finally confront his father's ghost - a darkly funny debut novel about class, family, and ambition.

Description

'Place, belonging, failure, ambition: this beguilingly readable novel has interesting, fresh things to say on them all'

Wendy Erskine, author of *The Benefactors*

'A clear-eyed, deadpan-funny novel about the present'

Lauren Oyler, author of *Fake Accounts*

'A moving meditation on inheritance and home'

Esquire

'Acidly funny'

TLS

Luca is back in Manchester, returning from Harvard with little more than a broken heart and a failed academic career.

Desperate for money and still clinging to his literary dreams, he finds work as a ghost writer. Andy, a local man with a colourful history, wants Luca to write his story. But the assignment is a personal one: Andy has the same condition Luca's dad suffered from, before he took his own life.

Now, balancing his artistic ambitions with Andy's demands, Luca must confront the past he thought he'd escaped, and the failures that have led him back home.

'Gabriel Flynn's work, rich with insight and wit, makes the world newly vivid'

Claire Messud, author of *This Strange Eventful History*

'A brilliantly simple idea and compellingly complicated characters'

Aidan Cottrell-Boyce, author of *The End of Nightwork*

Sales Points

- **COMBINES EXPLORATION OF CLASS AND MASCULINITY WITH HUMOUR AND HEART:** heavy things like alcoholism and the legacy of a parent's suicide are explored, but it's not too heavy.
- **A CONNECTED AUTHOR:** UEA alumnus, published in Five Dials, shortlisted for the White Review Short Story Prize.
- **A RARE LITERARY TALENT FOR THE LIST:** for fans of Ben Lerner, Michael Magee, and Caleb Azumah Nelson.

Reviews

- 'An adept psychologist and a powerful descriptive writer . . . **A moving book which will stay with me**' - Hassan Akram, *Literary Review*
- 'Reinforced by stinging deployment of similes and metaphors, *Poor Ghost!* is a **solid exploration of trauma, class and people's sense of place** - wherever that may be.' - *New Statesman*
- '*Poor Ghost!* is a **compulsive, razor-sharp and deeply tender novel** about dislocation, belonging and authenticity; the past beating away beneath it all the while.' - Lara Williams, author of *Supper Club*

Author Biography

Gabriel Flynn was born in Seattle, Washington, 1991 and grew up in Manchester. He was shortlisted for the *White Review* Short Story Prize in 2020, and his work has appeared in *Five Dials*, *Minor Literature[s]*, and *Best British Short Stories*. *Poor Ghost!* is his first novel.

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The Parallel Path

Love, Grit and Walking the North

Jenn Ashworth

Keynote

A memoir of walking the Coast to Coast walk - and a lesson in caring: for one self and for others.
From acclaimed author Jenn Ashworth.

Description

'Touching, thoughtful and frank - Jenn is a wonderful writer' David Nicholls

'The best kind of walking companion' *Guardian*

'Wonderful for taking on a walk yourself' *Financial Times*

'Exceptionally good company. I loved it' Mark Haddon

Burnt-out and in need of retreat, Jenn Ashworth emerged from lockdown with a compulsive need to walk - and to walk away. Armed with little more than the knowledge imparted by a two-day orienteering course and a set of maps, she embarked on the most epic of English walks: Wainwright's Coast to Coast.

Guided not just by Wainwright's writing but also by daily letters from her friend Clive - facing an epic journey of his own - Jenn's pilgrimage soon became more than just walking: a chance to reconnect and excavate, to reflect and meditate, to re-engage with the act of caring for others and for one self.

Arresting in its unbridled honesty, *The Parallel Path* is a moving journey through the ever-changing scenery of the North - and the internal landscape of a life in turmoil.

Sales Points

- **STAR AUTHOR.** Jenn's first novel, *A Kind of Intimacy*, won a Betty Trask Award. On publication of her second novel, *Cold Light*, in 2011, she was chosen by the BBC's *The Culture Show* as one of the twelve Best New British Novelists. In 2018, she was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature, and in 2022, Jenn was shortlisted for the BBC National Short Story Award in 2022.
- **A MEMOIR THAT WILL RESONATE WITH MANY.** The book explores both the sense of escape after the confinement of lockdowns and what it means to care for people who are approaching the end of their lives. It is also an exploration of a failing body: Jenn has been diagnosed with a (benign) brain tumour and she experiences its debilitating effects during the walk. As the book progresses (and her symptoms become more severe) the memoir takes on a deeper, more poignant meaning.
- **FOR READERS OF** Raynor Winn's *The Salt Path* and Amy Liptrot's *The Outrun*, and other literary memoirs about grief, nature, illness and walking.

Reviews

- 'Forget the Salt Path - this writer's introspective journey provides genuine food for thought... Chastened but buoyant, she's stimulating to be with, her book the best kind of walking companion.' - Blake Morrison, *The Guardian*
- 'I've long loved Ashworth's uncanny fiction, and this memoir is filled with her characteristic understanding of the connections between the physical world and our interior lives. Wonderful for taking on a walk yourself.' - *Financial Times*
- **'Touching, thoughtful and frank** - Jenn is a wonderful writer.' - David Nicholls, author of *YOU ARE HERE*
- **'Reading *The Parallel Path* feels like going on a long walk with an old friend:** Jenn Ashworth is exceptionally good company. I loved it.' - Mark Haddon, author of *THE CURIOUS INCIDENT OF THE DOG IN THE NIGHT-TIME*

Author Biography

Jenn Ashworth is the author of the novels *A Kind of Intimacy*, which won a Betty Trask Award, *Cold Light*, *The Friday Gospels*, *Fell* and *Ghosted: A Love Story*, which was shortlisted for the Portico Prize. In 2011, she was featured on BBC Two's *The Culture Show* as one of the twelve Best New British Novelists. She has also written a memoir-in-essays, *Notes Made While Falling*, which was shortlisted for the Gordon Burn Prize. She lives in Lancashire and is a Professor of Writing at Lancaster University.

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Thema 1.6 **Memoirs (DNC)**
Nature therapy (VXHF)
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Published diaries, letters and journals (DND)
Health, illness or addiction: social aspects (JBFN)
North and North East England (1DDU-GB-EY)

Binding **Paperback**
Format **B Format**
Extent **336 pages**
Word Count
Illustrations **5 B&W maps**
Exclusively for Sale **Cw (ex Can); EU; UK**
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Book locale **North of England: Lake District, Cumbria, Yorkshire, Lancashire**
Author born in **England**
Author living in **Lancaster**

Previous Titles

A Kind of Intimacy (2009), *Cold Light* (2011), *The Friday Gospels* (2013), *Fell* (2016), *Notes Made While Falling* (2019), *Ghosted* (2021)

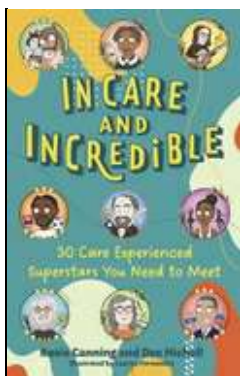
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Age	7-9 years
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Character	Non-character
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Binding	Trade Paperback
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Author living in	Hertfordshire and South Australia
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In Care and Incredible 30 Care Experienced Superstars You Need to Meet

Rosie Canning and Dee Michell (Illustrated By Lauren Fernandes)

Keynote

30 amazing adventures of world-famous trailblazers with early experience of foster care, adoption or kinship care.

Description

There are lots of different paths to happiness and success

Did you know that many of the most inspiring people in the world -- from Steve Jobs to Mary Seacole - didn't always have the simplest of childhoods?

From record-breaking athletes and award-winning writers, to activists, inventors, and leaders who have shaped history, learn about the stories of 30 incredible people who also spent some time in foster care, lived with relatives or who were adopted.

Many faced tough times as kids but all went on to do INCREDIBLE things - and you can too!

Sales Points

- **Inspiring, engaging book** for kids aged 8-12 who have been in care Popular format employed by 'Little People, Big Dreams' and 'Good Night Stories' and others, but the first profiling care experienced people - designed to inspire children aged 8-12 who are themselves care experienced.
- **Diverse lives:** Amazing achievements span sports, science, literature. The 30 people who feature represent diverse backgrounds, and are drawn from around the globe.
- **Familiar names and intriguing stories:** High profile achievers like Simone Biles, Maya Angelou, Raheem Sterling, Li Cunxin, Steve Jobs and John Lennon are combined with the lives of people who lower profile but who have equally incredible stories - like Faith Thomas, one of the greatest female acrobats on horseback.
- **Authentic and trusted:** Authors and illustrator all have lived experience of being in care.

Reviews

- '*In Care and Incredible* is a vital representation of resilience and talent from individuals who chose to not let their journey from care define their future goals or dreams, it's an honour to be alongside so many amazing people!' - Dr. Fagan, author of five novels, a memoir Ootlin and eight poetry collections.

Author Biography

Rosie Canning is a writer and researcher who uses a *care experience lens*-a way of seeing the world through the eyes of those who have lived in care. She grew up in London in foster care and children's homes. A reader of orphan tales, she went on to study literature and become a librarian. Rosie completed a PhD which reflected on the practice of writing an autobiographical novel, Hiraeth, and the representation of care-experience in literature. Hiraeth follows a young girl leaving care in London in the mid-1970s and finding her way in the world.

Dee Michell is a researcher, academic and advocate based in South Australia. She was placed in foster care at age 3 and lived in that system for about 15 years. Later in life she went into higher education, completing her university studies (including a PhD) as a mature-age student. One of her major publications is *The Slow Evolution of Foster Care in Australia - Just Like a Family?* (co-written with Nell Musgrove) which traces the history of foster care in Australia, situating personal stories of care-experienced people alongside policy, institutional and social change.

Market

Middle grade children aged between 8-12. Secondary market of social workers, foster parents, adoptive parents, teachers.



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Thema 1.6	Occupational therapy (MQT) Physiotherapy (MQS) Rehabilitation (MQV)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	246x173 (6.8x9.7")
Extent	320 pages
Word Count	104046 words
Illustrations	60 black and white photos and illustrations.
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
Author living in	Hertfordshire, UK/ Lincolnshire, UK

Previous Titles

The Essential Guide for Newly Qualified Occupational Therapists (9781785922688), April 2018, 2,485 copies

Key Skills for Housing Adaptations (9781839974465), January 2024, 442 copies

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher
Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
Large print	Refer to Publisher
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Key Skills for Wheelchair Provision A Guide for Occupational Therapists, Physiotherapists and Wheelchair Services

Ruth Parker and Lauren Osborne

Keynote

A comprehensive guide for health and social care professionals on the assessment and provision of manual and powered wheelchairs.

Description

This practical guide gives health and social care professionals straightforward and comprehensive advice on wheelchair assessment and provision. It covers how wheelchairs are provided within the UK through statutory services and the private market, the types of wheelchairs available, comprehensive assessment methods for understanding posture related to seating and taking measurements, how to build a wheelchair specification, wheelchair provision across the lifespan and environmental considerations.

This book addresses the wide range of considerations required across different professions, assisting with joint working, understanding of role and remit, and professional development within the sector. It also features the perspectives of wheelchair users themselves, as well as downloadable resources on measurements and appropriate wheelchair use and transfers.

Sales Points

- Will fill a gap in the literature for a UK-focused resource, as books used by practitioners in the UK are either out of print or out of date, leaving space for this title to be a go-to on the subject
- Book includes perspectives from wheelchair users, adding to its validity
- Provides an affordable supplement to training courses on the subject matter
- Includes downloadable resources to demonstrate measurement of the person and appropriate wheelchair use and transfers

Reviews

- '*Key Skills for Wheelchair Provision* provides an excellent and comprehensive primer on the landscape of wheelchair provision in England as well as walking the reader through the range of skills and knowledge that are required to support wheelchair users and their equipment to achieve the best outcomes for them. It draws in expertise from a range of knowledgeable practitioners and users, and the pace and structure of information presentation allows for readers to build up their understanding of each topic from the fundamentals, or to quickly dive into more advanced or specific elements of each area depending on their existing level of competence. *Key Skills for Wheelchair Provision* can be considered an important reference work for both practitioners and wheelchair users whether they are new to the field or looking to reassure themselves of their practice, and I have no hesitation in recommending it.' - Nathan Robson, Clinical Scientist, Chair of the Posture and Mobility Group (PMG)
- 'A valuable resource, providing helpful, practical information for students, newly qualified practitioners, and clinicians new to this field.' - Bex Oakes, Posture Management Specialist Occupational Therapist and Educator

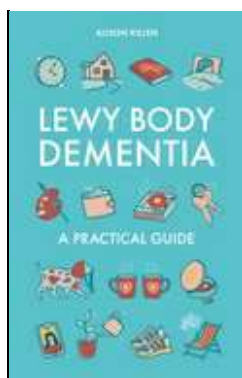
Author Biography

Dr Ruth Parker PhD has been an occupational therapist since 1985 working in the NHS and in Social Care as a clinician, a legacy mentor and in leadership roles. She is currently a Research Associate at the University of Lincoln and an Independent Occupational Therapist. She lives in Lincolnshire, UK.

Lauren Osborne is a clinical lead in an NHS-commissioned wheelchair service and visiting lecturer in occupational therapy at the University of Hertfordshire. She also works as an Independent Occupational Therapist offering posture and wheelchair assessments. She is a wheelchair specialist and self-described 'wheelchair geek'. She lives in Hertfordshire, UK.

Market

Specialist and generalist occupational therapists, physiotherapists, wheelchair engineers and technicians. Students and professionals working in the wider system who may recommend a wheelchair assessment or support those who previously have had a wheelchair prescribed.



Lewy Body Dementia A Practical Guide

Alison Killen

Keynote

A practical guide for understanding and improving the lives of people with Lewy body dementia.

Description

The route to a diagnosis of Lewy body dementia can be long and challenging, and living with the condition or supporting a family member leaves many people feeling isolated and misunderstood.

This groundbreaking book sets out practical guidance for people with Lewy body dementia, their families and carers, providing valuable information for finding acceptance and support. Alongside details about why the condition can be difficult to diagnose, it explains common treatments and physical and behavioural symptoms. There are honest and personal accounts from people living with Lewy body dementia and those caring for them, providing valuable insight into how the condition typically progresses and how to find effective support. Chapters are easy to navigate allowing readers to address concerns when they arise and 'points to ponder' at the end of each chapter encourage conversation and reflection.

Whether you are someone with Lewy body dementia looking for effective strategies to try, or a carer wanting to build deeper understanding and gain insight into the caregiving experience, this guide is the companion you need.

Sales Points

- There are currently estimated to be 982,000 people with dementia in the UK and around 10-15% of all diagnosed dementia cases are those with Lewy body dementia.
- There is poor understanding of Lewy Body Dementia (LBD) amongst health and social care professionals making it difficult for people living with the condition to access effective support. This book fills this gap by providing LBD specific advice and strategies.
- Expert author - Allison Killen has 15 years of research experience in Dementia with Lewy Bodies (DLB) and has worked in one of the only LBD specific diagnostic clinics in the UK.
- The inclusion of lived experience perspectives makes this book a particularly helpful resource as it provides insight into daily challenges and strategies that have worked for others.

Author Biography

Alison Killen is a Research Associate and the Biomedical Research Centre Dementia and Mental Health Theme Public and Patient Involvement and Engagement Facilitator at Newcastle University. She has worked in dementia research with a focus on Lewy body dementia (LBD) for the past 15 years and authored a number of papers on the topic. She was awarded a grant from the Lewy Body Society UK to develop an intervention to meet the support and information needs of people and their families following a new diagnosis. She has worked in one of very few LBD specific diagnostic clinics in the UK with an international expert on this condition Professor J P Taylor. During this time, she has conducted numerous psychological assessments and provided psychosocial support to a wide variety of people with LBD and their families.

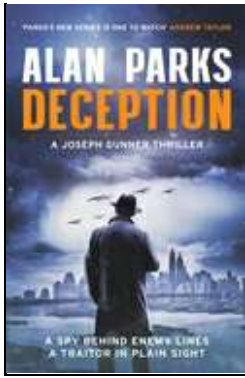
Market

Professional and family carers of people with LBD.

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Price	£18.99 / ₹1799
Main Identifier	9781805012009
Thema 1.6	Coping with / advice about illness and specific health conditions (VFJB) Alzheimer's, dementia, Parkinson's disease and other neurodegenerative diseases (MKJD) Coping with / advice about Alzheimer's and dementia (VFJB6) Care of the elderly (JKSG)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	216x138 (5.43x8.5")
Extent	256 pages
Word Count	72272 words
Illustrations	1 black and white illustration.
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
Author living in	Hexham, Northumberland
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Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
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Thema 1.6	Historical fiction (FV) Second World War fiction (FJMS) Espionage and spy thriller (FHD)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	352 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Series	The Joseph Gunner Thrillers
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex UK, Can); Ire
Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA
Book locale	New York
Author born in	Scotland
Author living in	Glasgow, Scotland

Previous Titles

Joseph Gunner Thrillers:
Gunner

Harry McCoy Thrillers:
Bloody January
February's Son
Bobby March Will Live Forever
The April Dead
May God Forgive

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Deception

Alan Parks

Keynote

The second instalment in the thrilling WW2 Joseph Gunner series, from the award-winning author of the Harry McCoy books.

Description

The second instalment in the thrilling WW2 Joseph Gunner series, from the award-winning author of the Harry McCoy books

New York, December 1941.

Joseph Gunner, former soldier, is off the front lines and on the streets of New York, tasked with helping tip America into the Second World War.

Working for a section of the British Secret Service, Gunner spends his days covertly encouraging pro-war sentiment through planted news stories, radio broadcasts and even blackmail.

But when a honeytrap mission with a prominent US politician goes wrong and the young woman involved is found dead, Gunner realises he has a target on his back. Who silenced her? Who knew their plan? And who has betrayed Gunner?

As he investigates, Gunner is plunged into the secretive world of Nazis in America, the NYPD and the mobs of New York, as the body count quickly stacks up. With world events accelerating, Gunner finds himself in a race against time before he becomes the next victim. Soon, he'll uncover a conspiracy that goes beyond what he thought was possible.

A riveting and atmospheric wartime thriller, Deception is the second novel in the acclaimed Joseph Gunner series.

Sales Points

- **A RIVETING THRILLER BASED ON REAL HISTORICAL EVENTS:** *Deception* is the second instalment of a gripping and stylish crime series by critically acclaimed and award-winning author Alan Parks. *Deception* is set in New York and features real historical figures and events. It focuses on the support for fascism that was prevalent in early 1940s America, making it prescient to contemporary politics in the US.
- **A GLOBETROTTING CRIME SERIES:** *Deception* is the second book in a WW2-set crime series that will take readers all over the world. The first in the series, *Gunner*, is set in Glasgow, Scotland. The second in the series, *Deception*, is set in New York and the UK. Book 3 will take place across North Africa and southern Europe.
- **FOR FANS OF ROBERT HARRIS, RORY CLEMENTS AND PHILIP KERR:** This book will appeal to fans of literary historical crime novels that are stylishly written and intricately plotted.
- **AN AWARD-WINNING WRITER:** Alan Parks is a critically acclaimed and prize-winning author. His books have appeared in multiple 'book of the year' lists and in 2022 he won the McIlvanney Prize for Scottish Crime Book of the Year. His books have been translated into 10 languages and have been optioned for TV.
- **STRONG SALES AND REVIEW HISTORY:** Alan Parks' previous books include the Harry McCoy series which has sold 30,000 copies UK TCM and received consistent rave reviews in the national press. *Gunner*, the first in this current series garnered acclaim from the likes of **Ian Rankin, Peter James, Andrew Taylor, Vaseem Khan** and brilliant reviews in *The Times*, *Guardian* and *Financial Times* among others.

Reviews

- **'Praise for Gunner--'**
- **'Perfectly captures the chaos, danger and moral mess of a world turned upside down by conflict' - Guardian**
- **'Parks's characters jump out at you and the story fizzles with history and colour. A brilliant thriller to kick off a new series' - Sun**
- **'[A] compelling story . . . Foyle's War, but with a sharper, darker edge' - Scottish Daily Mail**

Author Biography

Alan Parks is the award-winning and critically acclaimed author of the Harry McCoy series, which has won the McIlvanney Prize for Scottish Crime Book of the Year, the Prix Mystère de la Critique award and an Edgar Award. *Gunner* is the first in a new and thrilling international crime series set during the Second World War featuring Joseph Gunner. Alan worked in the music industry for over twenty years before turning to writing. He now lives and works in Glasgow.



The Good, the Black and the Boujee How Black Britain Became Middle Class

Symeon Brown

Keynote

A groundbreaking non-fiction book about the Black elite and the new, emerging Black middle class.

Description

A landmark portrait of modern Britain, *The Good, the Black and the Boujee* is a critical reckoning with the pursuit of 'black excellence'.

From broadcasters and lawyers to content creators, actors and politicians, black professionals appear to have become leaders of Britain's most visible, profitable and culture-defining industries. Yet educated black professionals say racism is entrenched and rising to the top has never been harder. So what is going on? How have they ascended? At what expense? And what does the expansion of a black middle class mean for all black people in Britain?

National correspondent Symeon Brown has undertaken the largest known data study of Britain's black middle class and elite to compile a social history and critique of the new black middle class. With style, depth and an incisive eye, Brown unravels the web of class and gender that shapes black Britain today and reconciles the cultural and political conversations surrounding black British identity with the present reality. Whether dissecting the preference of educated black women to be single, the rise of black Conservative power brokers or how the triumph and assimilation of black elites mask the barriers facing the black working class, Brown renders visible the psychological and material cost of class aspiration.

More than a simple portrait of class in motion, *The Good, the Black and the Boujee* is a forensic study of how race, capital and identity entwine - and what's lost, gained and discovered through social mobility.

Sales Points

- **INFLUENTIAL SUPPORTERS:** *The Good, the Black and the Boujee* has already garnered significant interest from **Emma Dabiri, Derek Owusu, Nels Abbey and Yomi Adegoke**. Symeon is heavily involved in the **Black Writers Guild, whose members include Bernardine Evaristo, David Olusoga, Afua Hirsch and Reni Eddo-Lodge**. We can expect endorsements incoming from these figures and more as we approach publication.
- **TRAILBLAZING RESEARCH:** Building upon **expansive and illuminating data from 8,000 people who identify as Black middle-class Britons from the first ever Black Census**, *The Good, the Black and the Boujee* is a unique, ambitious project **merging sociology, journalism, history and literary criticism**.
- **A WELL-RESPECTED, ESTABLISHED JOURNALIST:** Symeon Brown has been hailed as **'the future of journalism'** by Jon Snow; his work **won a Medical Journalists' Association Award and a Criminal Justice Alliance Outstanding Journalism Award**, and has also been **shortlisted for the Orwell Prize and a British Journalism Award**. His first book *Get Rich or Lie Trying* was a **Stylist 'must-read for 2022'**, and he has a significant presence across publications, with work featured in **Vice, the Guardian and the New Statesman, among others**.
- **SIGNIFICANT ONLINE PRESENCE:** Symeon Brown has **considerable reach via his Instagram account** with a number of **high-profile followers, including Ash Sakar, Bernardine Evaristo, Jason Okundaye and Yomi Sode**.

Author Biography

Symeon Brown is a correspondent on Channel 4 News and the author of *Get Rich or Lie Trying: Ambition & Deceit in the New Influencer Economy*. He has worked for the *Guardian* and the Black Cultural Archives. Symeon's journalism has won a Medical Journalists' Association Award and a Criminal Justice Alliance Outstanding Journalism Award and been shortlisted for the Orwell Prize and a British Journalism Award; he was nominated for a BAFTA as executive editor of Channel 4 News' *Black to Front* special. Symeon was also seconded to Channel 4 as a commissioning executive in current affairs and specialist factual between 2022-2023, where he was part of the team that launched the new youth documentary strand *Untold*. He graduated from the School of Oriental and African Studies, lives in London and supports Arsenal.

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Previous Titles

Get Rich or Lie Trying: Ambition & Deceit in the New Influencer Economy (2022)

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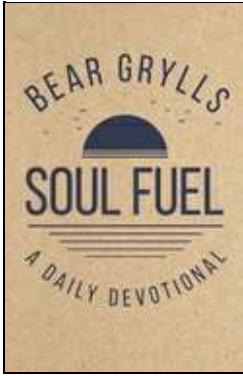
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	True stories of heroism, endurance and survival (DNXP)

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Extent	400 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); EU; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

The Greatest Story Ever Told
Mud Sweat and Tears
How to Stay Alive

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Soul Fuel

Start your day on the right foot with the world's best-known adventurer

Bear Grylls

Keynote

Short daily reflections from one of the world's favourite adventurers. *The Telegraph* calls him 'globally . . . perhaps the most famous adventurer alive'.

Description

Bestselling author Bear Grylls has survived a free-fall parachute accident that left him with a broken back, possibly unable to walk again; falling down a mountain in the Rockies, severing a finger in the Vietnam jungle, a broken shoulder in Antarctica. He passed the gruelling training to join the SAS, crossed the North Atlantic in an open inflatable boat, and held the highest ever open-air formal dinner party, in a balloon at 25,000 feet.

But the hardest thing he has ever had to face, he says, is the death of his father. It was then, age 25, that he found what he describes in an interview with the *Telegraph* as 'a really lovely quiet faith that has been a powerful thing in our lives'.

As he wrote in *GQ magazine*, 'Faith doesn't mean you have to be especially "religious". But, in a nutshell, my faith tells me that I am known, that I am secure and that I am loved - regardless of the storms I may find myself in from time to time, regardless of how often I fall and fail.'

In 2025 Bear shot to the top of the bestseller charts with a re-telling of the life of Jesus: *The Greatest Story Ever Told*. It is now one of the biggest -selling Christian books of all time.

In this open, brave and honest book, Bear reveals the inspiration that helps him to stand strong and find peace each day. These daily readings - exploring themes of friendships, failure, courage, risk, and much more - show us all how to face each day with purpose and power.

'Be brave. Embrace faith wherever you may find it. You have nothing to lose and everything to gain.'

Sales Points

- *The Greatest Story Ever Told* is a Sunday Times No.1 Bestseller and one of the biggest selling Christian books ever.
- The *Telegraph* calls him 'globally . . . perhaps the most famous adventurer alive'.
- His television shows, including *Man Vs Wild*, have been watched by 1.2 billion people in 200 countries. Readers praise his 'moral compass' and 'innate mixture of grace and humility', his 'steely determination to never quit and give up, but to summon up courage and fight from the depths within himself.'
- Each day contains a reflection and a verse from the Bible.
- Entries are numbered, not dated, to complete at your own pace.

Author Biography

Bear Grylls is probably the most recognisable face of adventure on the planet.

He is a former 21 SAS soldier, who went on to become one of the youngest ever climbers of Mt Everest, despite breaking his back in a free-fall accident only months earlier.

From Everest he has gone on to host more extreme adventure TV shows across more global networks than anyone in history.

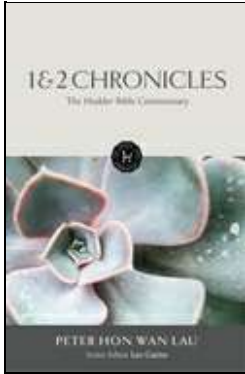
Bear's shows include the legendary Discovery channel show *MAN Vs WILD* and the hit show *RUNNING WILD* with Bear Grylls, now in its eighth season on National Geographic Channel and Disney Plus.

His guests have included: Will Ferrell, Bradley Cooper, Roger Federer, Julia Roberts, plus President Obama, Prime Minister Modi of India and many others.

Bear currently hosts the hit Netflix series *Bear Hunt* where he takes 12 celebrities to the jungle, trains them up, before hunting and tracking them down. This became the Number One show on Netflix.

He is a double BAFTA & EMMY winner, a family man, and a No. 1 bestselling author who has sold over 20 million books.

He is the Honorary Colonel to the British Royal Marine Commandos, & the first ever Chief Ambassador to 55 million young Scouts worldwide.



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Thema 1.6	Christianity (QRM) Criticism and exegesis of sacred texts (QRVC)
Binding	Hardback
Format	Royal
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Illustrations	Hodder Bible Commentary
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The Hodder Bible Commentary: 1 & 2 Chronicles

Peter Hon Wan Lau (Edited By Lee Gatiss)

Keynote

A fresh international Bible commentary series for Bible readers and teachers, by contributors from around the globe.

Description

Far from being a dusty historical appendix, Chronicles is a theological compass, pointing a weary people back to hope in God's promises. It's a retelling of Israel's past with a purpose: to reawaken worship, renew identity and rekindle trust in the God who keeps his covenant, even after catastrophe.

In this accessible and rich commentary, Peter Lau explores Chronicles as a work of careful literary and spiritual design. Taking a biblical-theological approach, it shows how Chronicles' themes find their ultimate fulfilment in Christ. Drawing from insights from across Christian history and around the world, it highlights how the book's themes resonate far beyond its original setting, inviting readers to see God's faithfulness afresh for them today.

About the Hodder Bible Commentary

50 volumes. 4 million words. Global representation.

Engage with the latest theological thinking in this new, readable exposition of the Bible in 50 volumes. Covering all books of the Bible and including the full the Anglicised New International Version (NIV) text, the *Hodder Bible Commentary* series makes connecting scripture and scholarship easier than ever.

Explore how the Bible intersects with 21st century life with commentary that is doctrinally sensitive and globally aware, sourced from a team of contributors representing a variety of cultural and ecclesiastical contexts from around the world.

Designed to be accessible to all adult readers and particularly for those who preach, teach, and lead Bible studies, each book is split into manageable sections suitable for talks or study groups. Read the Bible text and the commentary side by side to gain a deep knowledge of scripture and the variety of interpretations that can be made from it.

Be refreshed with new understanding. Be encouraged to apply your conclusions to life today.

Sales Points

- HBC is the new go-to commentary series for the Bible, belonging on every church leader's bookshelf.
- Designed for the modern church leaders and studious lay people with a contemporary classic look and feel: a series to invest in and treasure for life.
- The Bible Speaks Today series (IVP) is a key competitor.

Author Biography

Peter Hon Wan Lau is visiting scholar in Old Testament studies at Seminari Theoloji Malaysia. He has written academic and pastoral books on Ruth, Ezekiel, Psalms, and Esther.



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Binding	Hardback
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Illustrations	N/A
Series	Hodder Bible Commentary
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA
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Author born in	UK
Author living in	UK
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The Hodder Bible Commentary: Psalms 1-41

Benjamin Sargent (Edited By Lee Gatiss)

Keynote

A fresh international Bible commentary series for Bible readers and teachers, by contributors from around the globe.

Description

In Psalms 1-41, the people of God give voice to their trust in the goodness of God through lament, praise and petition. They are the source of ethics and morality, praise, penitence, prayer and doctrine. They have been part of the hymn book of the church in every place and in every generation.

Presenting new research alongside the best of old wisdom, Benjamin Sargent's commentary will inspire readers to discover the riches of the Psalms, to reflect deeply upon the living word, and - like the people of God in Psalm 29:9 - to cry out in stunned and fearful adoration, 'Glory!'

About the Hodder Bible Commentary

50 volumes. 4 million words. Global representation.

Engage with the latest theological thinking in this new, readable exposition of the Bible in 50 volumes. Covering all books of the Bible and including the full the Anglicised New International Version (NIV) text, the *Hodder Bible Commentary* series makes connecting scripture and scholarship easier than ever.

Explore how the Bible intersects with 21st century life with commentary that is doctrinally sensitive and globally aware, sourced from a team of contributors representing a variety of cultural and ecclesiastical contexts from around the world.

Designed to be accessible to all adult readers and particularly for those who preach, teach, and lead Bible studies, each book is split into manageable sections suitable for talks or study groups. Read the Bible text and the commentary side by side to gain a deep knowledge of scripture and the variety of interpretations that can be made from it.

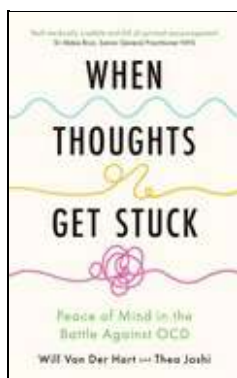
Be refreshed with new understanding. Be encouraged to apply your conclusions to life today.

Sales Points

- HBC is the new go-to commentary series for the Bible, belonging on every church leader's bookshelf.
- Designed for the modern church leaders and studious lay people with a contemporary classic look and feel: a series to invest in and treasure for life.
- The Bible Speaks Today series (IVP) is a key competitor.

Author Biography

Ben Sargent is a vicar and member of the Church of England General Synod based in Hampshire, UK.



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Price	£15.99 / ₹1499
Main Identifier	9781399826532
Thema 1.6	Mind, body, spirit (VX)
	Christian life and practice (QRMP)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Demy
Depth	18mm
Extent	176 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	8 b/w diagrams
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

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Mind Fuel
Mind Fuel for Young Explorers

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
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Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher
Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
Large print	Refer to Publisher
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When Thoughts Get Stuck Peace of Mind in the Battle Against OCD

Will Van Der Hart and Thea Joshi

Keynote

If your mind feels stuck in loops of fear, doubt, or what-ifs - especially about your faith - this book offers a way forward. *When Thoughts Get Stuck* is the grace-filled, shame-breaking companion every Christian with OCD - and anyone who loves them - needs to read.

Description

If you have felt like you are fighting against your own mind, *When Thoughts Get Stuck* will help you understand why. Showing you a gentle pathway to peace, it will reintroduce you to the unshakeable love of God in the midst of fear.

Written by two people who live with OCD, this book combines personal experience with psychological insight and spiritual wisdom. Well-being Chaplain Rev Will Van Der Hart and mental health communicator Thea Joshi expose the hidden struggle of obsessive thinking - especially when it gets tangled with Christian faith.

In this book you'll discover:

What OCD really is (- and what it's not)
How biblical principles and OCD mindsets interact
Why we can let go of persistent guilt and condemnation
Practical tools for handling obsessions and compulsions when they appear
Biblical truth and clinical insights that break the cycle of fear

Each chapter includes spiritual encouragement, expert-informed guidance, and a prayer to help you to embrace the love of God for you.

"Written with pastoral care and the warmth of personal experience, Will and Thea do a superb job of providing readers with practical tools for breaking cycles of rumination. This empowering book is a must read for church leaders and for those who struggle with OCD and obsessive thoughts."

Cheryl Donaldson, Psychologist, MA, LMFT, LCPC

"Full of hope and help."

Reverend Simon Ponsonby, Priest, author and chaplain

Sales Points

- Authors are well-regarded in market
- An accessible 'first book' on the subject for those exploring OCD from themselves or others
- Prayer prompts at the end of each chapter
- Illustrated with line drawings throughout

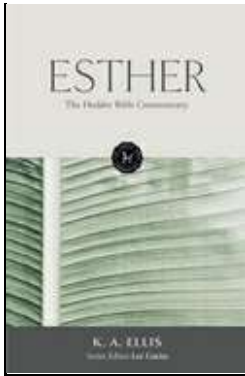
Author Biography

Will Van Der Hart (Author)

Will Van Der Hart is an executive coach and has been an Anglican priest for over twenty years. He was a founding director of the Mind and Soul Foundation, exploring the interface between faith and mental health. He is passionate about equipping people to look after their own emotional health as well as empowering them to support the emotional needs of their communities. Will is the author of a number of books including *Mind Fuel*, *The Worry Book*, *The Perfectionism Book*, *The Guilt Book*, *The Power of Belonging*, *The Stuff of Life*, *The Pregnancy Book* and *Mind Fuel for Young Explorers*. You can follow him on Instagram at @willvanderhart

Thea Joshi (Author)

Thea Joshi is the communications director for a national mental health charity. She is fiercely passionate about churches becoming safe spaces for anyone living with a mental health difficulty. She lives in Nottingham and loves tea, dogs and the facepalm emoji. You can follow her on Instagram at @theajoshiwrites



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Thema 1.6	Christianity (QRM) Criticism and exegesis of sacred texts (QRVC)
Binding	Hardback
Format	Royal
Depth	20mm
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Illustrations	n/a
Series	Hodder Bible Commentary
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The Hodder Bible Commentary: Esther

K.A. Ellis (Edited By Lee Gatiss)

Keynote

A fresh international Bible commentary series for Bible readers and teachers, by contributors from around the globe.

Description

The Book of Esther has spoken to God's people down the ages about faithful endurance under threat, even when God's hand seems hidden. Drawing us into the wider biblical story of exile, persecution, and covenant promise, it shows how God keeps his people through threat and opposition, in the time of Esther and throughout history.

In this powerful commentary, K.A. Ellis maps out the themes of providence, identity, hiddenness, fear, boldness, and dramatic reversal in the book of Esther, speaking directly to Christians navigating hostility today. Pointing us to Christ as the true Deliverer, she shows how the covenant faithfulness of God never fails to strengthen, keep, and expand his Kingdom on earth until the day it is fully revealed.

ABOUT THE HODDER BIBLE COMMENTARY

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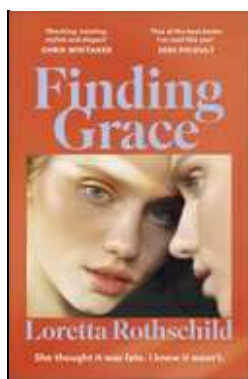
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Sales Points

- The most up-to-date Bible Commentary series in print
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- Written by experts - men and women - from around the world, and reviewed by a globally representative panel of scholars
- The new go-to commentary series for the Bible, belonging on every church leader's bookshelf

Author Biography

Karen Ellis teaches and disciples young people at her local church on Bible and Global Christianity, and is the Director of the Edmiston Center at Reformed Theological Seminary in Atlanta, Georgia. She is also the Robert Cannada Fellow in World Christianity at Reformed Theological Seminary.



Publication date **Thursday, July 16, 2026**
 Price **£10.99 / ₹999**
 Main Identifier **9781399825825**
 Thema 1.6 **Romantic suspense (FRM)
 Thriller / suspense fiction (FH)
 Modern and Contemporary romance (FRD)**

Binding **Paperback**
 Format **B Format**
 Extent **336 pages**
 Word Count
 Exclusively for Sale **Cw (ex Can); EU; UK**
 Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Author born in **UK**
 Author living in **UK, Italy**

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Finding Grace

Loretta Rothschild

Keynote

A gripping love story with a moral dilemma at its centre: would you tell the truth about the past if it would cost you your future?

Description

'Shocking, stylish, elegant, and twisting. A truly stunning debut' Chris Whitaker, NYT bestselling author of *All the Colours of the Dark*

'One of the best books I've read this year' Jodi Picoult

Jenni Godfrey

****AN AMAZON.COM BEST BOOK OF THE YEAR****

SHE THOUGHT IT WAS FATE. I KNEW IT WASN'T.

Honor's life is nearly perfect: she adores her bright and beautiful daughter, Chloe, and her charming, handsome husband, Tom, even if he works one hundred hours a week. Yet Honor's longing for another baby threatens to eclipse all that is wonderful - until a shocking event changes everything.

Years later, Tom makes a decision that ripples through their family's life in ways he could never have predicted. As the consequences of his choice continue to unfold, two women's paths become irrevocably intertwined.

Blending a page-turning moral dilemma with a sweeping love story, *Finding Grace* explores the price of secrets and asks whether it's ever too late to tell the truth.

'The darkest beach read imaginable, with a protagonist that no reader could predict' Plum Sykes, author of *Wives Like Us*

'Full of wisdom and stuffed full of unpredictable twists that kept me engrossed to the end' *Daily Mail*

'A strikingly original and deeply moving debut' *People*

Sales Points

- 1. Extremely powerful, hook-y opening with a **first-chapter cliffhanger** that will have you racing to the Richard Curtis-esque ending - which is an **emotionally satisfying (though not cliched!) Happily Ever After.**
- 2. Strong talkability with **unique, provocative themes** - surrogacy, egg donation, love after loss, parental/ spousal grief, suicide/ terrorism.
- 3. **Dead omniscient narrator** a la *Lovely Bones*, who knows the characters better than they know themselves.
- 4. Outside of usual JM fiction, but an opportunity to tap into **Upmarket Women's Fiction space** - with future books on the horizon.
- 5. **Connected author with great quotes** already - from Jodi Picoult and Chris Whitaker. Publishing to be led by the US.

Reviews

- **'FINDING GRACE feels like a movie, with characters and scenes that explode off the page** and a propulsive plot that had me in a choke hold.' - Carola Lovering, bestselling author of *TELL ME LIES*
- **'Such a clever concept, such a whip-smart voice, such perfectly rendered characters.'** - Julia Whelan, author of *THANK YOU FOR LISTENING*
- **'Shocking, stylish, elegant, and twisting. A truly stunning debut.'** - Chris Whitaker, NYT bestselling author of *ALL THE COLOURS OF THE DARK*
- **'Inventive, tender, heartbreaking, redemptive . . . Loretta Rothschild's debut novel has one of the best first-chapter cliff-hangers ever . . . and then it just keeps getting better.'** - Jodi Picoult, NYT bestselling author of *MY SISTERS KEEPER*

Author Biography

Loretta Rothschild is originally from London and currently splits her time between the UK and Italy. She lives with her husband, Nat, their young son, and their beloved dogs. *Finding Grace* is her debut novel.

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Thema 1.6	Romance (FR) Modern and Contemporary romance (FRD) Romance: wholesome / clean (FRF)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Depth	34mm
Extent	448 pages
Word Count	101000 words
Series	The Italian Legacy
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Secrets of the Italian Guesthouse

Don't miss the brand-new escapist and uplifting romance from the Sunday Times million-copy bestseller!

Sue Moorcroft

Keynote

A warm and escapist novel in a new trilogy from the award-winning *Sunday Times* and internationally published author Sue Moorcroft. *Secrets of the Italian Guesthouse* will be set on Lake Como and centre around the estranged granddaughters of Mairead Campbell, who leaves them her guesthouse *The Three Sisters*.

Description

Escape to Italy with the heart-warming new novel from the million-copy and *Sunday Times* best-selling author Sue Moorcroft. Available to pre-order now!

*Two sisters she's never met
A first love who's impossible to forget...*

For Jade, life in Lake Como is *la dolce vita*. Until her beloved grandmother passes, leaving Jade not just the family's bustling guesthouse to run, but two life-changing secrets to confront...

The *pensione* hasn't just been left to Jade, it's also been inherited by her sisters - who she had no idea existed. As Erin and Rosalie arrive in Italy, Jade is forced to face the heart-wrenching prospect of sharing her last remaining tie to the woman who raised her.

Jade is desperately trying to hold on to the past, but there's one person she would prefer to leave firmly behind: her first love, Leo. He's back in the city that is filled with the memories they once made together. But as Jade fights to take control of her future *and* her heart, why do all cobbled roads lead back to Leo?

Lose yourself in the first, utterly romantic novel in a brand-new trilogy, filled with new beginnings and second chances. Perfect for fans of Sarah Morgan and Milly Johnson.

Sales Points

- **New market for Renegade:** Sue is our lead supermarket author and Renegade's only brand in the commercial women's fiction genre for an older demographic. *Legacy Trilogy* is going to be perfect for fans of escapist, atmospheric and warm holiday fiction.
- **A household name:** We poached Sue from Avon, where she was their biggest author and a massive hit with the supers. Our aim is to take her career to even greater heights through an eye-catching cover rebrand and dedicated publicity and marketing campaigns.
- **Strong digital potential:** As well as a print and supermarket focus, the *Legacy Trilogy* is going to have an ambitious digital and KU campaign. Sue is a fixture in the Kindle Top 100 and according to BookStat, Sue's books made over 100k in revenue in 2024.
- **Author credentials:** Sue is brilliantly prolific and the perfect author for this genre. She is a *Sunday Times* bestselling author and has reached the #1 spot in the UK Kindle chart. She's won the Goldsboro Books Contemporary Romantic Novel Award, Readers' Best Romantic Novel Award, a HOLT Medallion and the Katie Fforde Bursary. She reviews fantastically with an average 4.5 stars on Amazon. Hugely connected in the women's fiction community, Sue is also the president of the Romantic Novelists' Association.

Reviews

- 'Brimming with warmth and Italian sunshine, being whisked to Lake Como in the hands of Sue Moorcroft is the ultimate comfort read. Dreamy, delightful and unashamedly romantic.' - Veronica Henry
- 'A sun drenched tale of family secrets and surprises set in the glorious Italian lakes. A gorgeous summer read!' - Philippa Ashley
- 'The perfect escapist read. I defy you to read this and not immediately book a holiday to Lake Como. I loved it!' - Cressida McLaughlin
- 'I couldn't put this down. It's full of glorious sunshine, the wonderful flavours of Italy and a gripping plot. Sue always delivers.' - Julie Caplin

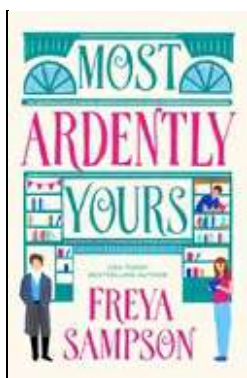
Author Biography

Sue Moorcroft is a *Sunday Times* bestselling and internationally acclaimed author whose work has topped the Amazon Kindle UK charts and reached the Top 100 on Amazon Kindle US, Canada, Germany and Italy. Since 2005, she has published 25 novels, along with numerous short stories, serials, courses, and columns that have been enjoyed by



readers worldwide. Her books have been translated into thirteen languages. Sue has won the Goldsboro Books Contemporary Novel of the Year, Readers' Best Romantic Novel Award, two HOLT Medallions, and the Katie Fforde Bursary. In 2023, she was appointed President of the Romantic Novelists' Association and continues to champion the prestige of romantic fiction through both the RNA and the #RespectRomFic movement.

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Main Identifier	9781408750926
Thema 1.6	Modern and Contemporary romance (FRD) Romance: wholesome / clean (FRF)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	320 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); EU; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
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Audio	Refer to Publisher
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Most Ardently Yours

A swoon-worthy, laugh-out-loud romance

Freya Sampson

Keynote

A swoony, magical rom-com followin romance-obsessed Zoe Knight who, after accidentally summoning the real Mr. Darcy from a stolen copy of *Pride and Prejudice*, must find a way to send him back to the pages of her favourite book with the help of a romance-sceptic bookseller.

Description

'Sweet, sexy, and laugh-out-loud funny, this book is a love letter to the romance genre and deserves a keeper place on the shelf' Elizabeth Everett, USA Today bestselling author

'A magical cross between Kate & Leopold and Notting Hill and I loved it so so much!' Lynn Painter, NYT bestselling author

'It is a truth universally acknowledged, that a single woman in possession of many romance novels, must be in want of a book boyfriend.'

Zoe Knight, a struggling romance writer, has sworn off men for good. At least...the ones in real life. Once a believer in a happily ever after, she now curbs her loneliness with the help of the best book boyfriends in literature - and there is no better man than Jane Austen's Mr. Darcy. So when she stumbles into a classic London bookshop and argues with the annoyingly attractive store owner, Nick, who refuses to sell romance novels, she decides to liberate him of a dusty copy of *Pride & Prejudice* abandoned on a top shelf. But this is no ordinary book.

After reading from the pages, Zoe finds herself in a remarkable situation: she has accidentally summoned the Mr. Darcy to the real world. Now, she's face-to-face with the man she's loved forever, and he's everything she dreamed he would be. Handsome? Check. Brooding? Check. Talks like he swallowed a thesaurus? Check and check. But even in all his regency perfection, can he ever be as good as in the novel? And if he's here, in her London apartment trying to figure out how to work a shower, what will happen to the literary world he came from? With Nick-the last man she could ever be prevailed upon to work with-urging her to send the fictional Darcy back to his own story, Zoe will have to decide what she really wants from a happy ending, before it's too late.

Perfect for fans of Kirsty Greenwood and Ashley Poston, *Most Ardently Yours* is a delightfully bookish and swoony romance with a lightly speculative flair from the USA Today bestselling author Freya Sampson that brings to life one of Jane Austen's most universally beloved love interests.

Reviews

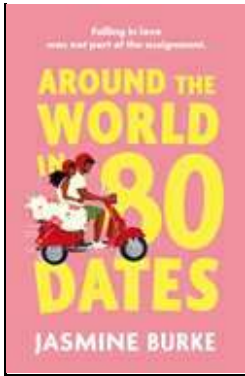
- 'Watch out, Bridget Jones! I have a new favorite modern-day *Pride and Prejudice*. Sampson's *Most Ardently Yours* is a fantastically imaginative homage to the power of romance novels, indie bookstores, and, of course, the lifelong pursuit of Happily Ever After. I loved every minute.' - *Lucy Gilmore, author of The Lonely Hearts Book Club*
- 'A lively and unputdownable story that's up to its breeches in charm, *Most Ardently Yours* has all the best elements of a fantastic read: romance, humor, and Mr. Darcy. Freya Sampson's writing is the perfect balance of wit and heart, leaving us laughing as much as we swoon. Readers who've always wondered what it would be like to date your favorite book boyfriend-this one's for you. You're going to love it.' - *London Sperry, Author of Passion Project*
- '*Most Ardently Yours* is the epitome of the Mr. Darcy hand flex and I devoured every page. Cozy, brilliant, and deeply romantic, this is every bookworm's dream!' - *Amy Lea, international bestselling author*

Author Biography

Freya Sampson is the USA Today bestselling author of *The Last Chance Library*, *The Girl on the 88 Bus*, *Nosy Neighbours* and *The Busybody Book Club*. Before writing full-time, Freya worked in television as an executive producer, making documentaries about everything from the British Royal Family to neighbours from hell. She lives in London with her husband, children and cats. *Most Ardently Yours* is her fifth novel.

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Around the World in 80 Dates

Jasmine Burke

Description

Amorie Grant expected to wake up with a hangover, *not* viral sensation status. But in the space of a single drunk post, her innermost thoughts on dating became the business of 2.3 million viewers.

Now the barista's safe, ordinary life has blown up - into something entirely out of her control. Until her video catches the attention of the magazine that inspired her to pursue journalism. Sitting in front of the Editor-in-Chief, Amorie knows it's time to make her dream come true, by pitching a brand-new dating column: *Around the World in 80 Dates*. But, as Amorie embarks on a six-month interrailing adventure, newly contracted to write about her journey to finding 'the one', reality hits. She's never casually dated or, quite frankly, done anything alone. So, when Amorie meets fellow interrailer, **Noah**, she takes the ultimate gamble. By asking him not just to be Date #1, but her new travel partner meets dating guru.

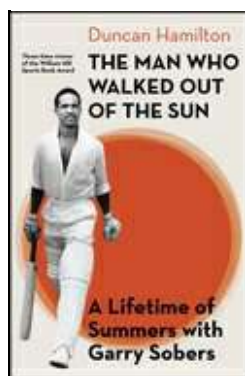
Travelling together comes with ground rules, of course. Starting with 'No flirting with each other' and ending with 'Separate beds, *always*.' Yet, as Amorie hops from train to train and date to date, she finds herself tempted to break every rule...

Sales Points

- Author platform: Jasmine Burke is an engaging content creator and has a consistently growing TikTok channel and blog where she shares her publishing journey, writing while working full-time and organic lifestyle content. Her audience are the book's perfect target readers.

Author Biography

Jasmine Burke is a content creator, writer and podcast host. As well as achieving a degree in English and Philosophy, she spent most of her late teens and early twenties creating her lifestyle blog and working in marketing and PR. More recently, she has been building a loyal and engaged audience by documenting her journey of balancing full-time work and writing her book on her TikTok channel @jaswritestuff.



Publication date	Thursday, July 02, 2026
Price	£18.99 / ₹1799
Main Identifier	9780349148663
Thema 1.6	Biography: sport (DNBS)

Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	C Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	352 pages
Word Count	100000 words
Illustrations	16 page plate section
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; EU; Ire; SA
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The Man Who Walked Out of the Sun A Lifetime of Summers with Garry Sobers

Duncan Hamilton

Keynote

A biography of Garry Sobers, who turns 90 in 2026 and personifies the greatest of West Indian cricket

Description

A biography of Garry Sobers, who turns 90 in 2026 and personifies the greatest of West Indian cricket

At the end of the 1960s, Garry Sobers became the highest profile beneficiary of English cricket's decision to rid itself of the qualification rule about hiring overseas glamour. He picked Nottinghamshire, a side mediocre for so long that it was stranded on the margins of the Championship. In that first memorable summer Sobers so successfully sparked the revival of a moribund club that it acquired the sobriquet 'Sobers-shire'.

Duncan Hamilton fell in love with cricket because he first fell in love with Sobers. He counts himself as 'blessed' to have lived only a shilling bus ride from Trent Bridge during the years Sobers played there. *The Man Who Walked Out of the Sun* is both Hamilton's remembrance of those times and a study of Sobers' career, tracking the rise and dominance of the world's first 'jet age' cricketer.

The barest of Sobers' statistics prove that every superlative ever used about his brilliance is justified, but Hamilton considers them less important than the sense of wonder he inspired, the emotion he stirred, the *elan* with which he played, the abundant beauty in almost everything he did.

Sales Points

- Hamilton is the author of numerous successful cricket books, and has won the William Hill Sports Book of the Year three times
- Published to coincide with Sobers' 90th birthday, July 2026

Author Biography

Duncan Hamilton is the three-time winner of the William Hill Sports Book Award. He is the author of several cricket books, including the biography *Larwood* and 'The Summer series': *A Last English Summer*, *The Kings of Summer*, *One Long and Beautiful Summer*. He is also grateful to have been given the chance to work with Jonny Bairstow on the memoir: *A Clear Blue Sky*. He lives at the foot of the Yorkshire Dales.

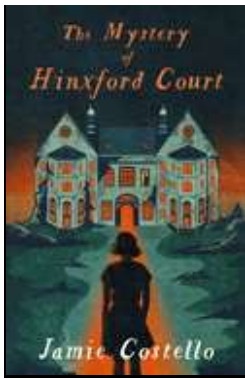
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The Mystery of Hinxford Court

Jamie Costello

Keynote

***The Picture of Dorian Grey* meets *Stranger Things* in this inventive and utterly compelling tale of rogue science, living ghosts, and long-buried lies.**

Description

Praise for Jamie Costello and *THE MIDNIGHT CLOCK*

'Unexpectedly funny as well as tense' *Sunday Times*

'A marvellously exciting - and thought-provoking - time-travelling murder mystery. Smart, funny, moving, atmospheric' Simon Mason

'This book is equal parts tension, explosive drama, and heart. I loved it' Ben Oliver

Summer 2025.

Amy and her mother, Claire, arrive in the village of Hinxford Magna, where Claire's family lived happily until her sister vanished without trace.

The family cottage is now Claire and Amy's only chance for a new start. But the tranquil village sits in the shadow of Hinxford Court, a long-abandoned manor house whose history is steeped in tragedy. And when Amy sees a young man through a window there, he seems to vanish without trace . . . almost like a ghost.

Summer 1985.

Eighteen-year-old Louise is working at the local pub when a young man passes her a note: he claims he is being held captive at Hinxford Court. She feels she must try and help him, but what will she risk if she does?

Strange things start happening in Amy's life. The past seems to be catching up with the present in frightening ways, but Amy knows she is close to uncovering the secrets of Hinxford Court once and for all . . .

Sales Points

- *Stranger Things* meets *The Picture of Dorian Grey* in a story of rogue science, living ghosts, and long-buried lies.

Author Biography

Jamie Costello lives in London. Under her own name, Laura Wilson, she is the author of six educational books on historical subjects for children aged eight to twelve, and thirteen critically acclaimed psychological thrillers, including the DI Stratton series. Her books have been shortlisted for many awards, including the Crime Writers' Association Gold Dagger, and she has won both the CWA Historical Award and the French *Prix du Polar Européen*. She was the Programming Chair for the Harrogate Crime Writing Festival in 2009, and co-programmed the Killer Women Crime Writing Festival. She is also the *Guardian's* crime fiction reviewer. You can follow Jamie on TikTok @jamiecauthor. Website: jamiecostelloauthor.co.uk

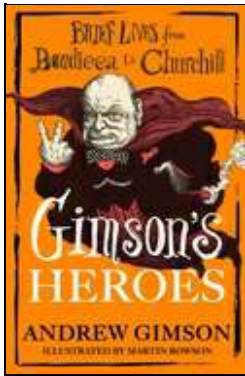
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Gimson's Heroes

Brief Lives from Boudicca to Churchill

Andrew Gimson

Keynote

Gimson's great British heroes . . .

Description

In recent years an audacious attempt has been made to deprive us of our heroes. We have been told that instead of admiring and enjoying these brilliant figures from British history, we should be deeply embarrassed by them. No reasonable person supposes that heroes should be spared criticism, or that reputations never change.

But episodes in the life of, say, Sir Francis Drake or Sir Winston Churchill which conflict with modern values are treated as sufficient to invalidate that hero's entire record, however wonderful it may be in other respects - circumnavigating the globe in 1577-80, defying Hitler in 1940. We are threatened with guilt by association unless we endorse the harsh verdicts of judges who enforce rules which did not apply at the time. These self-appointed arbiters place their yearning to condemn before the study of history, and are, indeed, intent on making us hate our country's past, and solely dependent on them for moral instruction.

This book will show why, on the contrary, pride and pleasure may continue to be taken in flawed heroes.

As in the three previous Gimson books, only the most vivid, characteristic and amusing information will be included, along with illustrations by martin Rowson.

Sales Points

- Gimson has a brilliant sales record, with his previous books (Kings and Queens; Prime Ministers) selling 21K and 16K TCM respectively.
- Gifty, tongue-in-cheek and in series style, this book is the perfect gift for any history buff.

Author Biography

Andrew Gimson is a writer and journalist who contributes to many different publications. His acclaimed life of Boris Johnson, *Boris*, described by Michael Crick as 'my biography of the year', first appeared in 2006 and was reissued and updated on numerous occasions. He is also the author of *Gimson's Kings and Queens*, *Gimson's Prime Ministers* and *Gimson's Presidents*. He lives in London.



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The Venetian Redemption

A page-turning, atmospheric thriller set in Italy's most beautiful city

Philip Gwynne Jones

Keynote

The ninth gripping thriller featuring Nathan Sutherland, set against the background of the most beautiful city on earth: Venice.

Description

Set against the backdrop of the most beautiful city on earth, this is a gripping and atmospheric crime novel perfect for fans of Donna Leon and Andrea Camilleri.

The city of Venice is alive with celebrations for *Redentore*, the most spectacular festival of the year. The streets are lined with revellers eating and drinking, and boats travel along the canals into the *bacino* of San Marco in anticipation of the firework display.

It's going to be a night to remember, and all the more so for Nathan Sutherland and his wife Federica, who have been invited to an exclusive party in the company of the British Ambassador.

The festivities take a turn, however, when Nathan suddenly finds himself struggling for breath and is rushed to hospital. Tests show he has all the symptoms of aconite poisoning, a toxin derived from the deadly wolfsbane plant.

An unfortunate accident? Or a deliberate attempt to poison him? As Nathan investigates, he discovers many guests might just have had a motive for murder . . .

Praise for Philip Gwynne Jones

'I devoured all Philip's novels and felt transported to Venice with a new intimacy' Val McDermid

'An irresistible concoction of crime and culture' *Daily Mail*

'As delightful as a Spritz by the Rialto - a must for all Italy lovers' David Hewson

'Clever and great fun' *The Times*

'The lively, colourful narrative scuds along as briskly as a water taxi...you'll enjoy the ride' *Italia Magazine*

'Sinister and shimmering . . . as haunting and darkly elegant as Venice itself' L.S. Hilton

Sales Points

- **THE SERIES:** A gripping, atmospheric crime series set against the backdrop of the most beautiful city on earth: Venice. The series follows Nathan Sutherland - an Englishman in Venice - and the mysteries he encounters in the city in his role as English Honorary Consul. This is a holiday in a book and a must for Italy lovers - it will leave you yearning for a Spritz and a bowl of olives by the Venice canal.
- **PREVIOUS SUCCESS:** We have sold approximately 190,000 copies of Philip Gwynne Jones's books. The first novel in the Nathan Sutherland series, *The Venetian Game*, was selected as Waterstones Thriller of the Month in March 2019 and sold over 60,000 copies through its stores. The series is loved by peers such as Val McDermid, L.S. Hilton and Gregory Dowling.
- **THE COMPS:** Perfect for fans of Donna Leon, Andrea Camilleri - and anyone who loves Italy.
- **THE AUTHOR:** Philip Gwynne Jones lives in Venice, after leaving his life in the UK - post a job redundancy in middle age - to create a better, simpler life. He has never looked back. He regularly travels to the UK for events and book signings.

Reviews

- 'I devoured all Philip's novels Val McDermid' - *Val McDermid*
- 'Clever and great fun' - *The Times*
- 'An irresistible concoction of crime and culture' - *Daily Mail*
- 'As delightful as a Spritz by the Rialto - a must for all Italy lovers' - *David Hewson*

Author Biography

Philip Gwynne Jones was born in South Wales in 1966, and lived and worked throughout Europe before settling in Scotland in the 1990s. He first came to Italy in 1994, when he spent some time working for the European Space Agency in Frascati, a job that proved to

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be less exciting than he had imagined.

He spent twenty years in the IT industry before realising he was congenitally unsuited to it. Furthermore, an attempt to find a secure, well-paid job with a proper pension had resulted in him finding himself in the IT department of a large Scottish bank during the global financial crisis.

Something, clearly, had to change. And so it was that - following a conversation with a man in a pub - Philip and Caroline left their jobs, sold their flat and moved to Venice in search of a better, simpler future. They were wrong about the 'simpler' bit . . .

Philip now works as a teacher, writer and translator, and lives in Venice with Caroline. He enjoys cooking, art, classical music and opera; and can occasionally be seen and heard singing bass with Cantori Veneziani and the *Ensemble Vocale di Venezia*.

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The Recruit

The clever, gripping first book in the Pelican Black spy thriller series

L. D. Sharpe

Keynote

The first instalment of L.D. Sharpe's Pelican Black series: Pacy, whip-smart reads in the emerging area of high octane, contemporary spy thrillers with female leads to root for.

Description

'It's just so exciting to see a powerful female character like Sarah Black . . . This is a fast-paced espionage thriller that feels fresh and exciting . . It will keep you up far too late!' - Holly Watt

'Sarah Black's wit and guile shines through . . a colourful, enjoyable book and the start of a promising series' - NetGalley reviewer, □□□□

The spy game has a brand new player . . .

Sarah Black is startlingly smart and super frustrated . . . while her fellow fresh graduates are signing away their souls to square mile internships, she is sabotaging civil service exams and beating any chess opponent who dares face her. Surely there has to be more to life?

Enter, **Michael**.

Enigmatic, suave, and looking for a new recruit to his band of elite spies. His offer is irresistible, and Sarah leaps into the world of international espionage without hesitation.

But when Michael hears rumours of a catastrophic attack on an oil pipeline in the Caucasus, he whisks Sarah from London to Georgia with a new identity, a meagre brief and no backup.

Thrown into a hostile environment where nothing is as it seems, and no one can be trusted, Sarah must learn the rules of the game quickly, just to survive.

But is she really a player, or merely a pawn?

Readers and reviewers are raving about *The Recruit*!

'A fabulously written gripping story that was a pleasure to read. I would absolutely recommend this book, it was brilliant' - NetGalley reviewer, □□□□

'Thoroughly entertaining . . . I would pick up the next book by Sharpe without hesitation' - NetGalley reviewer

'Definitely keeps the pages turning!' - NetGalley reviewer

'A really enjoyable spy thriller with a fresh feel and a strong central character' - NetGalley reviewer

'A slick fast paced espionage thriller that leans heavily into atmosphere, deception and the psychological uncertainty of entering the intelligence world for the first time' - NetGalley reviewer

'Bond, Bourne . . . now Black. Sharpe has served up a spy novel for the 21st century and a magnificent protagonist to lead it. Sarah Black is bold, brainy, and badass! And believable too - this story is as authentic as it is exciting, from the magnificently crafted cast of characters to the incredibly well-drawn locations. Gripping, pacy, and intelligent, I couldn't put it down' - Daniel Aubrey, author of *Dark Island*

'*The Recruit* introduces an impressive, complex, resourceful recruit to British espionage, and a world that is shabbier, darker, more ambiguous and far more compromised than the MI6 of James Bond. But it's every bit as tense and exciting . . . this is a sharply written thriller that is also sharply contemporary' - Michael Russell, author of the Stefan Gillespie thrillers

***The Recruit* is the first instalment of L.D. Sharpe's series of modern spy thrillers. Perfect for fans of Mick Herron, I.S. Berry, Ava Glass and David Goodman.**

The Recruit was previously published by Burning Chair in 2022 as *The King's Pawn* by Lucy Hooft.

Sales Points

- This is modern, fun, clever, female-led spy fiction for the *Black Doves* (Netflix) era. Perfect for fans of Mick Herron, I.S. Berry, Ava Glass and David Goodman.
- THE RECRUIT is the first in the series. The second instalment, ROGUE AGENCY, will publish in October 2026 and the third, CODE BLACK, in January 2027.
- L.D. Sharpe is the pen name of Lucy Hooft, Oxford graduate and former Foreign Office and Department for International Development employee with first-hand experience of all the locations she brings to life in her thrillers.

Reviews

- **'Bond, Bourne . . . now Black. With *The Recruit*, Sharpe has served up a spy novel for the 21st century and a magnificent protagonist to lead it. Sarah Black is bold, brainy, and badass! And believable too - this story is as authentic as it is exciting, from the magnificently crafted cast of characters to the incredibly well-drawn locations. Gripping, pacy, and intelligent, I couldn't put it down. This promises to be the start of an exciting series and I cannot wait for more'** - Daniel Aubrey, author of *Dark Island*
- **'This feels very contemporary - I'd even say prescient . . . L.D. Sharpe's *The Recruit* introduces an impressive, complex, resourceful recruit to British espionage, and a world that is shabbier, darker, more ambiguous and far more compromised than the MI6 of James Bond. But it's every bit as tense and exciting. Sarah may not want to be a spy, but somehow she already is. She's been chosen, it seems. *The Recruit* is a sharply written thriller that is also sharply contemporary. As for Sarah's career, it's only the beginning - if she lives, that is . . .'** - Michael Russell, author of the Stefan Gillespie thrillers
- **'I loved *The Recruit* - it's just so exciting to see a powerful female character like Sarah Black emerging. This is a fast-paced espionage thriller that feels fresh and exciting - and takes you to some shocking places. It will keep you up far too late!'** - Holly Watt, author of the Casey Benedict Investigations series

Author Biography

L.D. Sharpe has loved books for as long as she can remember - stories of adventure, of weird and wonderful places, and seeing the world through someone else's eyes. She studied languages and philosophy at Oxford and joined the Foreign Office straight out of university. She quickly moved across to the Department for International Development (DFID), where she spent time in Georgia, Armenia and Azerbaijan, China and Sierra Leone. She left DFID to work for Her Majesty Queen Rania in Jordan, while spending much of her time bumping around the desert in a Land Rover.

After Jordan, she spent several years in a jungle camp in Gabon surrounded by elephants and humpback whales, which is where the Pelican Black books began. They took life as a way to record all the best bits of people she had met and places she had been, with a plot to make them much more exciting. L.D. Sharpe has always plausibly denied being a spy - but the books were written to show what that life might have been like.

She now lives with her family and two mad dogs in Namibia, growing giant kelp and running the Lüderitz Blue School.

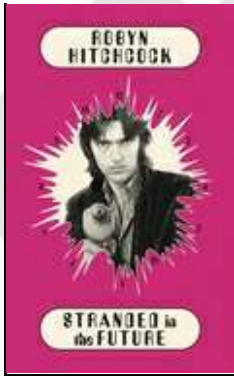
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Stranded In The Future

Robyn Hitchcock

Keynote

Robyn's follow-up to his succès d'estime 1967: that takes the reader into the '70s and the formation of The Soft Boys.

Description

1967 leaves the 14-year-old Robyn Hitchcock determined to become a songwriter and follow his dream to Nashville: but how to get there?

Exiled from his happy place of the late 1960s, Robyn must navigate his way through the hungover 1970s. Fuelled by his obsessions with two people - an enigmatic teenage ex-girlfriend and a burned-out rock star whom he never actually meets - Hitchcock slowly learns to write songs (with a little help from his friends). In the course of this he must learn to handle adult vices and pleasures, all the while adjusting to strangers from worlds utterly unlike the one in which he grew up.

It's no surprise that Robyn gravitates towards misfits and people at a tangent to life, as increasingly the place he feels most at home is in his imagination...

Finally, ten years after his psychedelic epiphany, and now marooned in the dystopian wasteland of 1977, Robyn Hitchcock has his art-rock module assembled in the form of The Soft Boys. However, they arrive just in time for Punk Rock to point music in a very different direction from theirs. The Soft Boys get as far as opening for Elvis Costello, but will they get any further?

In the course of this journey through the 1970s, we meet sirens, street people, bullies, pedants and wannabe musicians, all gazing out at existence from their own peculiar points of view, and filtered through Robyn Hitchcock's. Welcome to the future!

Sales Points

- Robyn has a substantial online following:
Twitter: 30.8K
Facebook: 61K
Insta: 25.1K
Spotify: 25.5K monthly listeners
Spotify: 35.8K million followers
Soft Boys Spotify: 28K monthly listeners
Soft Boys Spotify: 41.4K million followers
- His previous book, 1967, saw several glowing reviews and a US rights deal.
- Friends and supporters include: Stewart Lee, Gillian Welch, Johnny Marr, Peter Buck (R. E. M.), Alexis Taylor (Hot Chip), Jon Savage, Barney Hoskyns, Brian Eno et al., who may be willing to support on publication

Reviews

- 'I first saw Robyn Hitchcock and the Soft Boys in 1978 at London's Hope & Anchor. They were the most psychedelic band I'd seen since Pink Floyd in 1968-and they covered Elvis Presley's 'Mystery Train,' a perfect metaphor for this wild, intimate memory ride as one of Britain's greatest songwriters finds his voice and Technicolor mission in the perpetual winter of the 1970s. Gather your late-night reading hours and give 'em to the Soft Boys.' - *David Fricke, MOJO, Sirius XM Radio*
- 'Incredibly enough, when decades ago I first swooned for the Soft Boys and their shambolic leader, I said to myself and anyone who'd listen, "This is the sole psychedelic musician I can imagine writing not one, but actually *two* witty, self-effacing, phantasmagorical autofictional memoirs in quick succession as he rounds into late middle age." Even more incredibly, I have been completely vindicated in this left-field speculation, and we are all the better for it, as *Stranded in the Future* has capitalized on the opportunities opened by 1967's close focus on that single year of boyish self-invention and vaulted us into the next act, in which mannish boy becomes boyish man. Now our correspondent only has to repeat this astonishing trick ten more times to complete his imperishable twelve-volume epic *A Dance to the Music of Hitchcock*.' - *Jonathan Lethem, author of Brooklyn Crime Novel*
- '*Stranded in the Future* is filled with keen, brilliant, totally original observations about what it feels like to be at the start of your quest for first love, your first band, and your elusive idol who keeps mysteriously crossing your path. Robyn Hitchcock's mind, his writing, this book-it's a trolleybus ride straight to the essence of being alive.' - *Jennifer Belle, author of Swanna in Love*

Author Biography

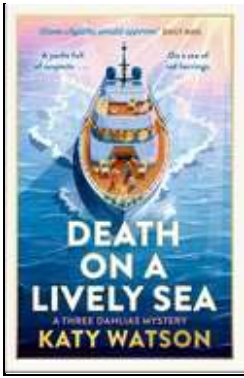
With a career now spanning six decades, Robyn Hitchcock remains a truly one-of-a-kind artist: surrealist rock 'n' roller, iconic troubadour, guitarist, poet, painter, performer. An unparalleled, deeply individualistic songwriter and stylist, Hitchcock has traversed myriad genres with humour, intelligence and originality over more than thirty albums and seemingly infinite live performances. From the Soft Boys' protopsych-punk and the Egyptians' Dadaist pop, to solo masterpieces like 1984's milestone 'I Often Dream of



Trains' and 1990's Eye, Hitchcock has crafted a strikingly original oeuvre rife with sagacious observation, astringent wit, recurring marine life, mechanised rail services, cheese, Clint Eastwood, and innumerable finely drawn characters both real and imagined. His songs have been covered by R.E.M., Gillian Welch and David Rawlings, Neko Case and Suzanne Vega with the Grateful Dead, amongst others. His main interest outside music, writing and drawing, is obsolete electric traction. He is based in Nashville with his wife Emma and their cats Ringo and Tubby.

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Death on a Lively Sea

A deliciously witty and escapist cosy murder mystery

Katy Watson

Keynote

Two weeks on a luxury cruise. Eight suspects accused of murder. Three Dahlias to solve the case . . . The sixth irresistible and whip-smart murder mystery starring three charismatic actresses turned amateur sleuths.

Description

Rosalind King, Caro Hooper and Posy Starling may be famous for each playing fictional detective Dahlia Lively on screen, but their growing reputation for solving *real* murder cases has prompted an offer that they can't refuse . . .

Property mogul and billionaire, Percy Pendleton, has invited them for a two-week trip on his mega yacht this summer to investigate a case of *expected* murder.

Percy doesn't believe that his father's recent death was natural, despite what the police say. In fact, he thinks he's going to be murdered too - and soon.

Not being one to sit around waiting for things to happen, he's gathered all the people he suspects of wanting him dead for a luxury cruise around the Mediterranean. He's giving the three Dahlias the length of the voyage to investigate his father's demise, figure out who wants him dead, and stop them.

It's a challenge unlike any they've ever tackled before. But at least they get to enjoy the sun, sea and a Limoncello Spritz while they're interviewing the suspects . . .

Sales Points

- **THE THREE DAHLIAS SERIES:** This is the sixth book in the delightfully entertaining crime series starring the three Dahlias - three actresses turned amateur sleuths. Posy, Caro and Rosalind have each played fictional detective Dahlia Lively (think Miss Marple) at different points over the decades, before they turned to sleuthing, and this series is a contemporary homage to the Golden Age of Detective Fiction. As the *Daily Mail* said: 'Dame Agatha would approve'.
- **THIS BOOK:** This latest adventure for the three Dahlias is set on a luxury cruise around Mediterranean: think evening dresses, Limoncello Spritzes and murder. A holiday in a book!
- **PREVIOUS SUCCESS:** We have sold over 90,000 copies of this series across formats. *The Three Dahlias* was a Waterstones Thriller of the Month in May 2023.
- **THE COMPS:** Cleverly constructed and huge fun, this novel is perfect for fans of Janice Hallett, Kristen Perrin, Ian Moore and Robert Thorogood.

Reviews

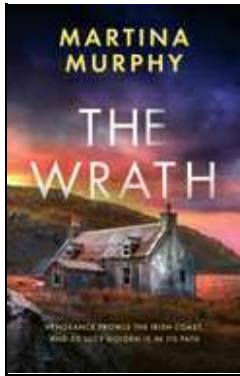
- 'Praise for the Three Dahlias mysteries:'
- **'An absolute treat of a read** with all the ingredients of a vintage murder mystery: a country house, mysterious dead bodies and three actresses all keen to catch the killer. Perfect weekend reading!' - *Janice Hallett, author of THE APPEAL*
- **'Dame Agatha would approve'** - *Daily Mail*
- 'Celebrates and gently satirises Golden Age crime novels in **a hugely entertaining country house mystery**' - *The Times*

Author Biography

Growing up in a family of murder mystery addicts, Katy Watson learned early to look for means, motive and opportunity.

After studying English Literature - with a sideline in crime fiction - at Lancaster University, she set about teaching herself to write her own stories, while also experiencing enough of the world to have things to write about.

Two careers, a lot of airmiles, one husband, two children, three houses and forty-five published books for children and adults later, lockdown finally gave her the means, motive and opportunity to create her own murder mystery. The Three Dahlias mysteries are the result.



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Book locale	Achill Island
Author born in	Ireland
Author living in	Ireland

Previous Titles

DS Lucy Golden series:
The Night Caller - 2021
The Branded - 2022
The Reckoning - 2023
The Bone Fire - 2024

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The Wrath

A completely addictive serial killer thriller

Martina Murphy

Keynote

An utterly gripping serial killer thriller! DS Lucy Golden's fifth outing sees her on the hunt for a devilish killer wreaking bloody vengeance on unsuspecting souls across Ireland.

Description

'Breathtaking!' - Amazon review, □□□□□

'Another riveting page-turner from Martina Murphy's series' - Amazon review, □□□□□

You will not know the day, or the hour, but I am coming for you...

When **DS Lucy Golden** discovers an abandoned car showing signs of a recent and bloody escape, the race is on to find the injured occupant, who must be somewhere close by on the Irish island of Achill. But when an anonymous threatening note is found in a pool of blood, the search team is briefed to look for a body, rather than a survivor.

Once the victim is revealed to be a retired police officer, Lucy and her team are on edge . . . was the brutal killing an act of personal revenge? Or is the killer making a statement against the wider Gardaí?

Tensions rise as bizarre clues, conflicting witness testimony, viral videos and family feuds send Lucy and her partner **Detective Dan Brown** across Ireland on the hunt for a vicious murderer. They're feeling the pressure at work and at home . . . Lucy's son Luc is in a stormy relationship with a wannabe social media influencer, Dan's mother-in-law is conducting a steamy affair under his roof, and Lucy fears that a recent case that got a little too personal could be the cause of her boss DI William's noticeable coldness towards her.

Meanwhile, the killer is only just getting started...

Readers love the DS Lucy Golden series!

'10 out of 10 - would recommend! Tense, twisty, surprisingly moving!' - Amazon reviewer, □ □ □ □ □

'If you want to start a new crime series, make it this one. It's one of the best I've ever read' - Goodreads reviewer, □ □ □ □ □

'Brilliant... superb - Lucy Golden is a flawed heroine and mother but a brilliant detective... The plots are gripping and complex and the solutions are believable. Peppared with humour and great characters, these books are a pleasure to read. They deserve all the praise' - Goodreads reviewer, □ □ □ □ □

'Taut, gripping, brilliantly plotted. Lucy Golden gets better and better. With each book in this gripping series the reader is drawn in to a deftly spun web of half-truths and hidden betrayals' - Amazon reviewer, □ □ □ □ □

'It gripped me right from the start... I could empathise with Lucy, she is very relatable and completely dedicated to finding justice... the descriptive passages pull you right in to Achill island and I found myself transposed right there' - Amazon reviewer, □ □ □ □ □

Sales Points

- **PLOT:** Serial killers, vigilante justice, anonymous notes, twists and turns that will give you whiplash... this thriller has it all! It's a gripping addition to the ever-popular DS Lucy Golden series that can be devoured as a standalone, too.
- **COMPS:** Fans of Patricia Gibney, S.A. Dunphy and Tana French who love brilliantly written Irish police-procedural novels will love this! It will also appeal to viewers of clever detective series with stunning settings like *Shetland*, *Vera* and *Broadchurch*.
- **SERIES:** THE WRATH sees the very welcome return of DS Lucy Golden. The series performs particularly well in audio, with fans describing it as: 'tense, twisty, moving'; 'taut, gripping and brilliantly plotted'
- **SETTING:** The rugged, windswept wilds of Achill Island on the breathtakingly beautiful west coast of Ireland.

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Reviews

- **'Raising the bar for crime procedurals... artful, measured and gripping'** - *Shots Magazine*
- **'A gripping mystery lies at the heart of this atmospheric and wonderfully written police procedural'** - *Brian McGilloway, Sunday Times bestselling author of THE EMPTY ROOM*
- **'With the raw and savagely beautiful Achill Island as a fitting backdrop, a tense and gut-wrenching plotline, and a cast of expertly drawn characters, Murphy delivers up a gritty and emotional reading experience'** - *Zoe Miller*

Author Biography

Martina Murphy lives with her family in Maynooth, County Kildare. She is the author of the *DS Lucy Golden* crime series and has previously written general fiction as Martina Reilly (and years ago, YA as Tina Reilly), published by Little Brown and Hachette Ireland. Her novel *Something Borrowed*, was long listed for an Impac award.

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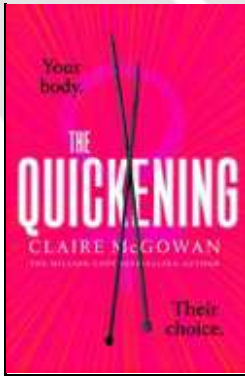
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The Quicken

The thrilling, feminist page-turner from the bestselling author of *What You Did*

Claire McGowan

Keynote

***Quicken* is a powerful exploration of motherhood, sacrifice, and the terrifying cost of complicity in a world where freedom is the ultimate rebellion. For fans of *Vox*, *Red Clocks*, and *The Handmaid's Tale*.**

Description

Your body. Their Choice.

Great Britain, 2040. The Hope Party is in power, and their *Future Generations* laws have transformed the nation: the countryside is being rewilded, immigration curtailed, and births on the rise. But beneath the surface of this new order, freedom is fading.

Karen has learned to navigate this new world. A devoted wife to Tom, whose legal career thrives while hers has stalled, and a mother to seventeen-year-old twins, Rory and Charlotte. Charlotte is destined for Oxford, her future bright - until she reveals a life-changing secret: she's pregnant.

With abortion now outlawed, Karen faces a terrifying choice. She refuses to let her daughter's dreams crumble, but seeking an abortion is fraught with danger. If they're discovered, Charlotte would disappear into 'Protective Custody', a chilling fate shrouded in mystery.

In desperation, Karen turns to her sister Isobel, a gynaecologist working under the new regime. Isobel is reluctant to help at first, but when Charlotte's pregnancy is revealed to be ectopic - and life-threatening - the stakes skyrocket. Their only hope: an illegal journey to Ireland, where the laws are less draconian, but every step is shadowed by surveillance. As Charlotte's case grabs national headlines, the three women must rely on secret resistance networks to survive - and fight back.

***Quicken* is a powerful exploration of motherhood, sacrifice, and the terrifying cost of complicity in a world where freedom is the ultimate rebellion. For fans of *Vox*, *Red Clocks*, and *The Handmaid's Tale*.**

Sales Points

- Claire McGowan is a million-copy, number one bestselling author with her crime publishing on Kindle. With *Quicken's* thriller-like pace, it should find plenty of fans with Claire's existing crime audience - as well as lots of new ones!

Author Biography

Claire McGowan published her first novel in 2012 and followed it up with many others in the crime fiction genre, as well as in women's fiction - writing as Eva Woods. She has had three radio plays broadcast on Radio 4, and her thrillers, *What You Did* and *The Other Wife* both went to number one on Kindle in the US and UK.

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Extent **144 pages**
Word Count **13000 words**
Illustrations **13 colour photos and several poems in red font.**

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Author living in **Georgia, Tennessee**
UNITED STATES **Farrar Straus & Giroux Publisher**

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Obit (2022)
The Trees Witness Everything (2022)
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Tree of Knowledge

Victoria Chang

Keynote

New collection from Forward Prize-winning poet Victoria Chang. In TREE OF KNOWLEDGE, Chang directs her gaze to a range of subjects including works by artists such as Pablo Picasso, Joan Mitchell, and most notably, Hilma af Klint in an unparalleled meditation on art, language, selfhood, memory, and loss.

Description

A poet watches the limbs of a eucalyptus tree get sawed off: the image persists, recurring across poems of art, language, selfhood, memory, and loss.

Joan Mitchell said, *When I talk about love, I mean loving a tree. When I talk about love, I mean loving where a tree used to be.*

Men assess the eucalyptus tree growing on the poet's street; a crane arrives. The sound of a chainsaw rings in the air and branches begin to fall. This tree-cutting haunts the poet, and refracts across the remarkable work collected in *Tree of Knowledge* as Chang turns her thoughts to artists such as Pablo Picasso, Joan Mitchell and Hilma af Klint.

Roving, evocative, and intricate, *Tree of Knowledge* is rooted in Victoria Chang's crystalline voice and generous, probing gaze, and by certain images — trees, a hanging figure, a branch, fingertips, a briefcase — that resurface like apparitions.

Sales Points

- Chang's last collection WITH MY BACK TO THE WORLD won the Forward Prize for Best Collection, was finalist for the PEN/Jean Stein Book Award and the Kingsley Tufts Poetry Award, and was named Best Poetry Collection of the Year by the Guardian, Literary Hub, and Electric Literature

Reviews

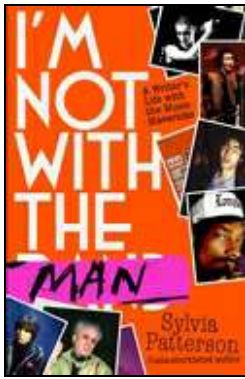
- 'Chang changes the way readers see art, the world, and themselves in this contemplative epic that rivals the major works of Wallace Stevens and A. R. Ammons' - *Library Journal*

Author Biography

Victoria Chang is the author of *With My Back to the World* (Corsair, 2024), which received the Forward Prize in Poetry for Best Poetry Collection. A few of her other books include *The Trees Witness Everything*, *Dear Memory*, and *OBIT*, named a *TIME* Magazine, NPR, *Publisher's Weekly*, and *New York Times* Book of the Year. *OBIT* received the *Los Angeles Times* Book Prize, the PEN Voelcker Award, and the Anisfield-Wolf Book Prize. It was a finalist for the Griffin International Poetry Prize and the National Book Critics Circle Award, and it was longlisted for a National Book Award. Her most recent children's book is *Eureka*. She has received a Guggenheim Fellowship and she is the Bourne Chair of Poetry at Georgia Tech and the Director of Poetry@Tech.

Market

Readers of Celia Paul, Rachel Cusk, Olivia Laing, Anne Carson, Raymond Antrobus, Ada Limon



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Author living in	Hornsey, London

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9780751558685	<i>I'm Not with the Band</i>
9780349727455	<i>Same Old Girl</i>

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I'm Not With the Man A Writer's Life with the Music Mavericks Sylvia Patterson

Keynote

From the Costa-shortlisted author of *I'm Not with the Band*, a collection of interviews with the weird and wonderful musicians who defined an iconic era

Description

From the Costa-shortlisted author of *I'm Not With The Band*, a collection of interviews with the weird and wonderful musicians who defined an iconic era

Whatever happened to the weirdos? The rock'n'roll rebels? The children of The Revolution who not so much raged against The Man as barely acknowledged the concept of authority?

Sylvia Patterson remembers them. The freaks, geeks and oddballs who picked up microphones and instruments not to become rich or famous but because they were too mad (or unemployable) to do anything else.

I'm Not With The Man is the flipside to Sylvia's award-winning memoir *I'm Not With The Band*, celebrating the era of 'the rock 'n' roll nutter' through her own encounters with some of music's most uncompromising mavericks. From a cursing Adam Ant to a formidable Chrissie Hynde, from a carousing Liam Gallagher to a coruscating Sinead O'Connor, from a comedy Wu Tang Clan to an unrepentant Marianne Faithfull, and many, many more.

Hilarious, revealing and poignant, *I'm Not With The Man* heralds a farewell fanfare to the heroically unhinged, those who lived on the edge of not only society but their own precarious sanity. We will not see their like again.

Sales Points

- **Strong track-record:** *I'm Not with the Band* was widely-reviewed, had brilliant peer support, was shortlisted for the Costa Biography Award and sold over 19k copies
- **Huge peer support:** Sylvia has brilliant contacts across the media and her first book has become a beloved memoir
- **An engaged audience:** Generation X, the UK's 14 million adults aged 41-56, have grown up alongside Sylvia, reading the nation's once-beloved music press, and remain fans of her engaging, in-depth, often hilarious pop star interviews
- Featuring interviews with: Marianne Faithfull, John Lydon, Adam Ant, John Cooper Clarke, Chrissie Hynde, Kevin Rowland, Johnny Marr, Billy Idol, Paul Heaton, Sinead O'Connor, The Prodigy, Bobby Gillespie, Evan Dando, Bjork, Snoop Dogg, Liam Gallagher, Steve Mason, Thom Yorke, Wu-Tang Clan, Pete Doherty Lady Gaga, Viv Albertine, Fat White Family

Reviews

- 'There's no mistaking the writing of Sylvia Patterson' - *Sunday Times*
- 'One of the finest writers in the world' - David Quantick
- 'One of my favourite music writers ever' - Jude Rogers
- 'A phenomenal writer' - *The Face*

Author Biography

Sylvia Patterson is one of pop journalism's best-known voices. Born in Scotland, she moved to London aged twenty, to join *Smash Hits* as Staff Writer, going on to freelance for *NME*, *The Face*, *Glamour*, *Q*, *Sunday Times* and many other publications across the UK and US.

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Ambessa: Chosen of the Wolf A League of Legends: Arcane Novel C. L. Clark

Keynote

Set in the blockbuster and award-winning universe of *League of Legends: Arcane* and written by award-winning author C. L. Clark, discover a thrilling epic fantasy novel where Ambessa Medarda truly learns what it means to be a Chosen of the Wolf.

Description

Set in the blockbuster and award-winning universe of *League of Legends: Arcane* and written by award-winning author C. L. Clark, discover a thrilling epic fantasy novel where Ambessa Medarda truly learns what it means to be a Chosen of the Wolf.

Medarda over all.

Ambessa Medarda: Warrior, general, mother. She is a woman to be feared, and the Medardas are unrivaled in their pursuit of glory. She has led conquests and armies. She has slain legendary beasts. She has made grave sacrifices in her ascent up the ranks. And for this she was rewarded: She entered the realm of death and was granted a vision of herself upon the throne of the vast Noxian empire.

But before she can lead her empire, she must become head of her own clan. Yet the title is contested by her cousin and former confidante, Ta'Fik. He knows the bloody sins of Ambessa's past. And he knows he cannot allow her to rise.

They will fight a war for the very soul of the Medardas.

But the war won't be fought on battlefields alone. Ambessa's daughter, Mel, can deftly break through the walls around anyone's heart, and she'll put her talents to use for her mother. Yet despite Mel's strength, Ambessa sees only a child who lacks her killer instincts. Mel knows she can be the leader Ambessa wants her to be, if only she gives her time.

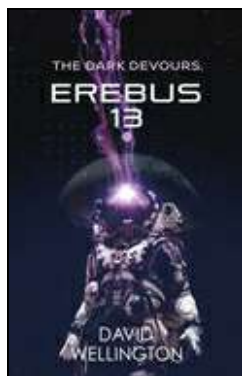
With her family betraying her, enemies closing in on all sides, and unseen forces moving in the shadows, every day proves more dangerous than the last. But Ambessa will not bow. She will burn the world down to claim her place in it.

Sales Points

- **Arcane is a Global Phenomenon:** *Arcane* Season One aired on Netflix in Nov. 2021 to massive critical and viewer acclaim. It was in Netflix's top 10 globally for six weeks and has been viewed for hundreds of millions of hours. Season One won four Emmy Awards including "Outstanding Animated Program." Season Two aired in November of 2024. The trailer for season two has been viewed over 75 million times across all social platforms.
- **First Arcane Novel:** This is the first novel set in the *Arcane* universe. The *League of Legends* video game is a massive hit, but *Arcane* reached an entirely new (and huge) audience. Riot has been heavily involved every step of the way to ensure that the novel will appeal to fans of both properties.
- **Video Game Hit:** *League of Legends* is one of the most successful properties in the history of gaming. With more than 100 million active users, it is one of the most played games in the world.
- **Acclaimed Author:** C. L. Clark is an award-winning author and the author of *The Unbroken*. Clark has received immense praise from authors like Alix E. Harrow, Andrea Stewart, and Tasha Suri. Riot and Orbit handpicked Clark to write this novel.

Author Biography

C. L. Clark is a BFA award-winning editor and the Nebula Award-nominated author of *The Unbroken* and *The Faithless*, the first books of the Magic of the Lost trilogy, several short stories, and a few essays. When she's not imagining the fall of empires, she's trying not to throw her kettlebells through the walls.



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Erebus-13

David Wellington

Keynote

The thrilling conclusion to the Red Space trilogy of survival horror in deep space, from Clarke Award-nominated author David Wellington

Description

THE DARK DEVOURS.

The crew of the *Artemis* has escaped the nightmare of Paradise-1, but at great cost. Parker is gone. Petrova's past continues to haunt her. Worst of all, Erebus - a timeless entity of pure darkness - has been released from its prison.

Now it's headed for Earth.

Petrova must rally her crew for one final mission. Somehow, they must find a way to unite the disparate factions of the solar system - the United Earth Government, the Lunar colonies, and the outer planets - and find a way to stop Erebus.

The fate of humanity - and the entire galaxy - is in their hands.

Prepare for the thrilling conclusion to the Red Space trilogy of survival horror in deep space, from Clarke Award-nominated author David Wellington.

Praise for the Red Space series:

'A captivating, eerie story with such engaging characters you won't want to say goodbye at the end' S. A. Barnes, author of *Dead Silence*

'Wellington skillfully combines hard sci-fi worldbuilding with tense mystery . . . Readers will be on the edges of their seats' *Publishers Weekly* (starred review)

'Intensely creepy worldbuilding' *Library Journal*

Red Space

Paradise-1
Revenant-X
Erebus-13

Sales Points

- **The Red Space series is a gripping survival horror set in space** - the crew of the *Artemis* must survive numerous dangers as they seek to uncover the mysterious fate of Earth's first deep space colony. The truth is out there . . . and it's more terrifying than they could have imagined
- **Space adventure/horror is an ever-popular genre** and will appeal to fans of *Arrival*, *Interstellar*, *Prometheus* and *The Martian*
- **A critically-acclaimed author:** David Wellington's *The Last Astronaut* was shortlisted for the Arthur C. Clarke Award and he's known for his pacy, action-packed novels

Reviews

- 'An edge-of-your-seat tale of first contact' - Gareth Powell on THE LAST ASTRONAUT
- 'A terrifying tour de force . . . Gripping authenticity and an uncompromising white-knuckled pace' - James Rollins on THE LAST ASTRONAUT
- 'Timely and terrifying, *The Last Astronaut* propels us deep into the mysteries of space . . . breathless, compulsive reading' - Christopher Golden on THE LAST ASTRONAUT

Author Biography

David Wellington is an acclaimed author who has previously published over twenty novels in different genres. His novel *The Last Astronaut* was shortlisted for the Arthur C. Clarke Award.



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Depth	22mm
Extent	512 pages
Word Count	150000 words
Series	The Sea Beyond Duology
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THE MASK OF MIRRORS

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The Eye of Leviathan

M. A. Carrick

Keynote

From the author of *The Mask of Mirrors* comes a sweeping epic adventure set in the world of the fae in which they secretly walk amongst those who seek to persecute them the most.

Description

From the author of *The Mask of Mirrors* comes a sweeping adventure set in a world where fae secretly walk amongst those who seek to persecute them.

In an alternate Spanish Golden Age, the Council of the Sea Beyond has risen to unrivalled power, exploiting the Otherworld's most precious resources for their own gain. Estevan seeks to uncover their secrets, but he risks the exposure of his own: that he is a faerie, masquerading as a mortal.

The Hungry Girl is the human whose place he took. Lost among the fae and desperate to find some purpose for her existence, she leaps at the chance to help a group of Spanish explorers in the Sea Beyond...only to be horrified at the atrocities they commit.

A faerie pact has separated them - but only together can they bring down Spain's worlds-spanning empire and save the homes they have both come to love.

Sales Points

- **NEW PIVOT:** Building on the success of their debut trilogy, *The Rook and Rose*, which began with *The Mask of Mirrors*, this next duology is the perfect genre pivot for M.A. Carrick as it is much more accessible in every way which gives it greater potential to reach an even wider audience.
- **POPULAR THEMES:** This novel prominently features the fae- a theme that remains perennially popular amongst fantasy fans.

Reviews

- '*The Eye of Leviathan* is a masterful historical fantasy, drawing on the real strangeness, cruelty and wonder of human history. This is a shining new story crafted out of old ones, in a world that echoes our own. An entrancing and moving read' - Kate Heartfield, author of *The Embroidered Book*
- 'For those who like their revenge plots served with the intrigue of *The Goblin Emperor*, the colonial conflict of *The City of Brass*, the panache of *Swordspoint*, and the richly detailed settings of Guy Gavriel Kay' - Booklist (starred review) on *Mask of Mirrors*
- '*The Mask of Mirrors* is exactly the fantasy adventure novel you're craving: an escape into a vast, enchanting world of danger, secret identities, and glittering prose' - Tasha Suri
- '*The Mask of Mirrors* ushers you into the fascinating city of Nadezra, replete with complex politics, intricate magic, and mysteries that readers will be racing to unravel. Wonderfully immersive-I was unable to put it down' - Andrea Stewart, author of *The Bone Shard Daughter* on *Mask of Mirrors*

Author Biography

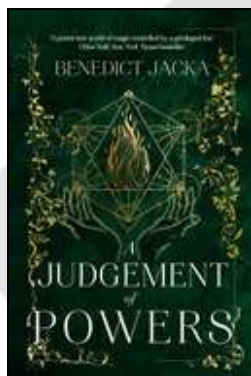
M. A. Carrick is the joint pen name of Marie Brennan (author of *The Memoirs of Lady Trent*) and Alyc Helms (author of *The Adventures of Mr. Mystic*). The two met in 2000 on an archeological dig in Wales and Ireland -- including a stint in the town of Carrickmacross -- and have built their friendship through two decades of anthropology, writing, and gaming. They live in the San Francisco Bay Area.

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A Judgement of Powers

An Inheritance of Magic Book 3: urban fantasy from the author of the million-copy-selling Alex Verus novels

Benedict Jacka

Keynote

The super-rich control everything-including magic-in this thrilling and brilliant, contemporary fantasy series from the author of the Alex Verus novels.

Description

The super-rich control everything-including magic-in this thrilling and brilliant, contemporary fantasy series from the author of the Alex Verus novels.

Stephen Oakwood's ambitions used to be simple. Pay his bills, track down his father, and take care of his cat. Maybe study a little magic after work, if he had time.

Now it's a year later and he's got everything he wanted. But it's come with a price.

The Winged, a mysterious group involved with his father, have noticed Stephen, and they want him to join them or else. His career as a corporate locator has hit a dead end. And his new job as bodyguard to Calhoun Ashford is proving a lot more lethal than expected due to assassination attempts from outside the House, and possibly also from within.

To survive, Stephen's going to need allies of his own. And along the way, he's going to have to figure out the secret of his own gift, and what it means. The cults, Houses, and corporations of the magical world are locked in an endless battle for dominance, and Stephen is beginning to realize that he's going to have to pick a side . . . before someone else picks it for him.

In this series:
AN INHERITANCE OF MAGIC
AN INSTRUCTION IN SHADOW
A JUDGEMENT OF POWERS

Sales Points

- Book three in a brand new fantasy series by Benedict Jacka, the author of the hugely successful Alex Verus series
- Benedict's fantasy fiction has sold over one million novels worldwide
- This idea of a world where magic can be bought is new and exciting - think *Succession* meets Harry Potter, and has appeal to readers of fantasy, urban fantasy and LitRPGs.
- After this author's huge success in paperback, this new series is now hardback-first - a must for fans in a fantasy readership that is gravitating towards hardbacks and special editions. We will create a beautiful first edition with a rich, luxurious looking cover to match book one and book two

Author Biography

Benedict Jacka is the author of the Alex Verus series, which began in 2012 with *Fated* and ended in 2021 with *Risen*. He's studied philosophy at Cambridge, taught English in China, and worked at everything from civil servant to bouncer before becoming a full-time writer. For information about his books, settings, and releases, check his website at benedictjacka.co.uk or his Twitter at @benedictjacka.

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Format	B Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	336 pages
Word Count	95000 words
Series	The Inheritance of Magic Series
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Not for Sale	Can; USA
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Born of an Iron Storm Book Two of the Age of Wrath

Anthony Ryan

Keynote

Anthony Ryan returns with a blockbuster epic fantasy series set in the same world as his acclaimed Covenant of Steel trilogy

Description

The start of a dark and bloody new fantasy epic from *New York Times* bestseller Anthony Ryan, whose books have sold more than a million copies worldwide.

Sales Points

- The start of a thrilling new series, this is epic fantasy at its very best: grand in scope and packed with action and intrigue
- Perfect for fans of Brandon Sanderson, John Gwynne and Joe Abercrombie
- Anthony Ryan is an international bestseller and his debut novel *Blood Song* was one of the biggest fantasy blockbusters of the past decade
- Orbit UK has sold over 750,000 copies of Anthony Ryan's books across all formats

Reviews

- 'A gritty, heart-pounding tale of betrayal and bloody vengeance. I loved every single word' - John Gwynne on THE PARIAN
- 'Anthony Ryan is a master storyteller' - Mark Lawrence
- 'Robin Hobb meets Joe Abercrombie . . . This is fantasy with a totally legendary feel' - FANTASY BOOK REVIEW on THE WOLF'S CALL
- 'Anthony Ryan's best work since the release of his incredible debut . . . fantastic storytelling' - NOVEL NOTIONS on THE WOLF'S CALL

Author Biography

Anthony Ryan lives in London and is the *New York Times* bestselling author of the Raven's Shadow and Draconis Memoria series. He previously worked in a variety of roles for the UK government, but now writes full time. His interests include art, science and the unending quest for the perfect pint of real ale.

Publication date	Tuesday, July 21, 2026
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Main Identifier	9780356522869
Thema 1.6	Epic fantasy / high fantasy (FMB) Fantasy (FM)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	464 pages
Word Count	150000 words
Exclusively for Sale	Africa; ANZ; EU; Ind; Ire; M East; UK
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Main Identifier	9780356524559
Thema 1.6	Dark fantasy (FMT)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	528 pages
Word Count	110000 words
Series	The Hand and the Heart
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The Second Death of Locke the devastatingly romantic instant Sunday Times bestseller!

V. L. Bovalino

Keynote

The Second Death of Locke is a devastatingly romantic epic fantasy about the undying bond between a knight and their mage, perfect for fans of *The Knight and the Moth* and *The Six Deaths of the Saint*.

Description

'This is how you do chemistry! *The Second Death of Locke* is a masterful epic that combines classic fantasy worldbuilding with an addictive love story. Alternately charming and hauntingly dark, this one will stay with you long after the last page' Heather Fawcett, author of *Emily Wilde's Encyclopaedia of Faeries*

Love. Loyalty. Sacrifice.

Grey Flynn has dedicated her life to her mage, Kier.

She will be his blade on the battlefield, his healer and protector. The deep well of raw power inside her is Kier's to use. Grey would do anything for Kier - be anything for him - if he would only ask.

When a quest to protect the child of an enemy kingdom pulls them into the dangerous heart of their nation's war, Grey and Kier will need to decide what they are willing to sacrifice to protect their secret.

For Grey is no ordinary magical well, but heir to the lost island of Locke - the root of all power. If she dies, all magic dies with her.

The Second Death of Locke is a devastatingly romantic epic fantasy and about the undying bond between a knight and their mage, perfect for fans of *The Knight and the Moth* and *The Everlasting*.

'With unique magic, a rich and war-torn world, and a retinue of characters I would pledge my life to defend, *The Second Death of Locke* is an epic quest for belonging and a romance for the ages. The yearning is off the charts and I'm here for it' Samantha Shannon, author of *The Priory of the Orange Tree*

'Gritty, romantic, and breathlessly fierce, *The Second Death of Locke* will grip your heart and never let go' Tasha Suri

'A rich exploration of the way the ties of love and friendship can be complicated, the way the sacrifices we make can be easier to accept than the sacrifices others make for us. Impressive and transporting' Megan Whalen Turner, author of *The Thief*

'This book has it all: Arthurian themes of devotion and betrayal, the carnage of courtly politics and combat, every manner of unadulterated yearning. Glorious' Olivie Blake, author of *The Atlas Six*

'A gloriously haunting story, with a searing chivalric romance that burns bright and bittersweet, *The Second Death of Locke* will hold your heart in its fist until the very end' Georgia Summers, author of *The City of Stardust*

'Intricately imagined and deftly told, *The Second Death of Locke* is the perfect pairing of romance, pining, and sprawling epic fantasy' Hannah Whitten, author of *The Foxglove King*

'An epic tale that explores what it truly means to love' Brigitte Knightley, author of *The Irresistible Urge to Fall For Your Enemy*

'A gripping tale of friendship, sacrifice, and the power to be found in the bonds we make' M.H. Ayinde, author of *A Song of Legends Lost*

'An astonishing tale of loyalty, sacrifice and loss, and at its centre - a sweeping romance that will melt the iciest of hearts' Holly Race, author of *Six Wild Crowns*

'A heady, unputdownable epic fantasy with a heartfelt romance at its core' Hadeer Elsbai, author of *The Daughters of Izdiyar*

'Sweeping, epic and deliciously romantic, *The Second Death of Locke* is the

perfect marriage of magic and swordplay' Kate Dylan, author of *Until We Shatter*

'A masterfully crafted world of warring knights, fierce friendships and breathtaking romance. This story broke my heart and made it anew' A. S. Webb, author of *Daughter of Chaos*

Sales Points

- WIDE APPEAL TO ROMANTASY AND CORE GENRE: this will appeal to fans who love a strong romance 'B' plot, with an intricate and highly compelling fantasy world full of action and political intrigue. Fans who got into reading fantasy through popular books on TikTok, but are looking for a read that sits more in the core fantasy genre, will gravitate towards *The Second Death of Locke*.
- APPEAL TO FANFIC AUDIENCE: In the same vein as *Gideon the Ninth*, the dynamic and romance between the main two characters will strongly appeal to the 'Tumblr aesthetic' audience, and fans who like to 'ship' characters. This has the potential to become a word of mouth phenomenon.
- KNIGHTS! KNIGHTS! KNIGHTS! 2025 is the era of chivalric romance with *The Knight and the Moth*, *The Isle in the Silver Sea* and Alix Harrow's *The Everlasting* - *The Second Death of Locke* is the perfect addition to this booming sub genre!
- *The Second Death of Locke* is an instant Sunday Times bestseller!
- *The Second Death of Locke* is a USA Today bestseller!

Reviews

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Author Biography

V. L. Bovalino is the pseudonym of Tori Bovalino, the author of three YA horror novels, including *My Throat an Open Grave*, and editor of the Indie-bestselling anthology, *The Gathering Dark*. She is originally from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and now lives in the UK with her partner, cat and puppy. Tori loves scary stories, obscure academic book facts and impractical oversized sweaters. She can be found on Instagram @toribovalino.

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The Witch Below the Dreaming Wood

H. G. Parry

Keynote

From the author of *The Magician's Daughter* comes a historical fantasy where dreams come to life and Arthurian legends are reborn, perfect for fans of *The Everlasting* and *The Once and Future King*. 

Description

'This book feels as though I could have pulled it, dust-coated, from a half-forgotten shelf. A true feast of myth and wonder . . . I grinned, I cried, I didn't want to put it down and I haven't stopped thinking about it since I finished'
Freya Marske, bestselling author of *A Marvellous Light*

From the author of *The Magician's Daughter* comes a captivating historical fantasy where dreams come to life and Arthurian legends are reborn.

Wales, 1941. As the second world war ravages the globe and bombs fall from the sky, people all over the world begin to dream of King Arthur. The dreams spread like a fantastical plague, flooding people's sleep night after night. Whispers arise of wonders and unexplained sights - dragons in the London Underground, and strange lights over Stonehenge. Self-proclaimed prophets claim they are miracles, heralding Arthur's return at the time of Britain's greatest need. 

Elaine Ambrose has never dreamed of Arthur, and she doesn't believe in miracles. A librarian at the British Museum, she wants only to protect the museum's collection from the Blitz, and is frustrated to be sent instead to catalogue a reclusive professor's private library on the coast of North Wales. But all is not as it seems. Soon Ellie must confront what she's tried to ignore: she dreams not of Arthur, but of Nimue - the Lady of the Lake. And her dreams promise not salvation, but a return to the darkness of the last days of Camelot. 

'A dreamy, achingly beautiful tale about the power of stories. *The Witch Below the Dreaming Wood* imagines the magic and legend of the Arthurian age as a bright light, thrust into the darkness of World War II. Beautifully conceived and impossible to put down'

Morgan Ryan, author of *A RESISTANCE OF WITCHES*

Reader reviews:

'A lush and beautiful love letter to Arthurian myth, H.G. Parry's *The Witch Below the Dreaming Wood* is everything that I could have hoped for . . . I loved it'    

'OFFICIALLY AN AUTO-READ AUTHOR NOW! . . . luminous, and magical'    

Sales Points

- Hannah's signature beautiful writing and historical detail is present in this work, now combined with a mythic exploration of Arthurian legend, one of the most popular and enduring stories of our time
- This is a fresh take on Arthurian legend, set in two timelines: during WWII, and in the ancient world of Avalon. Perfect for readers who seek out Arthurian stories specifically, but also for those who generally enjoy historical, myth-inspired fantasy. It's perfect for fans of Lucy Holland and *The Warm Hands of Ghosts* by Katherine Arden

Reviews

- 'This book feels as though I could have pulled it, dust-coated, from a half-forgotten shelf. **A true feast of myth and wonder**; it fed both the Arthuriana-loving child in me and the adult hungry for fresh ways of looking at old tales. **I grinned, I cried, I didn't want to put it down and I haven't stopped thinking about it since I finished'** - Freya Marske, USA Today bestselling author of *A MARVELLOUS LIGHT*
- 'H.G. Parry masterfully **blends myth, history, and legend into a rich and heartfelt story**. *The Witch Below the Dreaming Wood* is a worthy addition to the annals of Arthuriana' - Rowenna Miller, author of *THE PALACE OF ILLUSIONS*
- 'A spectacular, dreamlike journey through British myth and history, this is truly the Arthurian legend for our times: **lyrical, haunting, wounded, but also full of hope**. **H. G. Parry has written a masterpiece**' - Amy S. Kaufman, author of *THE TRAITOR OF SHERWOOD FOREST*
- 'H. G. Parry has crafted **a dreamy, achingly beautiful tale about the power of stories**. *The Witch Below the Dreaming Wood* imagines the magic and legend of the Arthurian age as a bright light, thrust into the darkness of World War II. **Beautifully conceived and impossible to put down**, *The Witch Below the Dreaming Wood* stands as a call to stubbornly cling to our own ideals, even in our darkest hours' - Morgan Ryan, author of *A RESISTANCE OF WITCHES*

Author Biography



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The Final Score

Lana Ferguson

Keynote

A hockey player and a grad student are on thin ice until they meet their match in this sexy romance by USA Today bestselling author Lana Ferguson.

Description

A hockey player and a grad student are on thin ice until they meet their match in this sexy romance by USA Today bestselling author Lana Ferguson.

Jack Baker is on top of the world now that he's back on the rink where he belongs. But the high comes crashing down when he reinjures his arm immediately following his return to the ice, and this time, he might never be able to play again. After a lifetime as the strong, happy hockey guy whose sister needed him, Jack is left questioning everything he knows about himself.

Abigail Thompson feels like she's hit rock bottom. It's only been a few months since the massive scandal that finally severed the cord between her and her narcissistic father. And now, in her last weeks of grad school, she's been kicked out of her building with very short notice. The last thing she wants to do is ask her half-brother for help after what she's put him through, but it's looking like his best friend's spare room might be her only choice.

Jack is flighty, flirty, and a little full of himself - all the things Abby's learned to avoid in men. However, spending every day together breaks the ice between them, and she starts to realize that Jack might not be who he seems. It's possible that maybe, just maybe, he might be struggling as much as she is. Soon confiding in each other leads to falling into bed, and this fling will either play with their hearts - or score them the ultimate goal of love.

'It is no secret that I have and will always devour anything Lana Ferguson writes' ELENA ARMAS

♥□□Tropes♥□□
☐ forced proximity
 ✨☐ outdoor play
☐ frenemies to lovers
☐ banter galore
☐ brother's best friend
☐ grad student/hockey player

Sales Points

- Lana Ferguson is a really fun, sex positive author who writes contemporary romance and paranormal romcoms - perfect for fans of Rosie Danan, Tessa Bailey, Elle Kennedy, Ali Hazelwood, Ruby Dixon
- This is Lana's new hockey romance - there has been a resurgence of passion for sports romance and this perfectly fills that space
- Tropes: hockey player hero, forced proximity, frenemies to lovers, brother's best friend, grad student/hockey player, spicy. banter galore

Author Biography

Lana Ferguson is a sex-positive nerd whose works never shy from spice or sass. A faded Fabio book cover found its way into her hands at fifteen, and she's never been the same since. When she isn't writing, you can find her randomly singing show tunes, arguing over which Batman is superior, and subjecting her friends to the extended editions of *The Lord of the Rings*. Lana lives mostly in her own head but can sometimes be found chasing her corgi through the coppice of the great American outdoors.



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Twisted Road

Christine Feehan

Keynote

There's no escaping the pull of desire in this novel in No. 1 *New York Times* bestselling author Christine Feehan's Torpedo Ink motorcycle club series.

Description

There's no escaping the pull of desire in this novel in No. 1 *New York Times* bestselling author Christine Feehan's Torpedo Ink motorcycle club series.

When Czar shut down Lazar 'Keys' Alexeev's undercover mission, that should have been the end of the story. Instead, Keys is back in the middle of a nowhere town where a petite redhead with a pouty mouth and a ready smile drives him to distraction. He's not sure why he's breaking all of Torpedo Ink's rules to spend more time around a woman who's not even his type. He can't get her out of his head-and now he's facing the consequences.

Lyric Johansen doesn't like to look anyone in the eyes, but Keys's gaze is the one thing keeping her from a full-on panic attack. Her instinct to charge into the fray and help the biker fend off a group of vicious thugs has led to the most insane situation she's ever been in: trapped in a coffin with a man she barely knows, minutes away from a painful death.

Survival means staying focused. But when Keys kisses Lyric to snap her out of losing it, he's the one who ends up falling apart. He'll need to unleash hell to get them out alive.

If only to get another taste....

Find out why readers are OBSESSED with Christine Feehan:

'The queen of paranormal romance' USA Today

'After Bram Stoker, Anne Rice and Joss Whedon, Christine Feehan is the person most credited with popularizing the neck gripper' Time

'Feehan has a knack for bringing vampiric Carpathians to vivid, virile life in her Dark Carpathian novels' Publishers Weekly

'The erotic, gripping series that's defined an entire genre! Must reading that always satisfies!' J.R. Ward

Sales Points

- Feehan is our longest-running and bestselling paranormal author. We've sold over 3.5 MILLION COPIES of her books in our territories alone.
- The new instalment of the thrilling motorcycle club series - addictive and gaining fans

Author Biography

Christine Feehan is a No. 1 *New York Times* and international bestselling author with 90 published novels to date, including seven series; Leopard Series, Dark Series, Ghostwalker Series, Drake Sisters Series, the Sisters of the Heart Series, Shadow Series and Torpedo Ink. Six of her series have hit the No. 1 spot on the *New York Times* bestselling list as well.

She has been published in multiple languages and in many formats, including audio book, e-book, hardcover and large print. Her ground-breaking book trailer commercials have been shown on TV and in the movie theatres. She has been featured on local TV and appeared on *The Montel Williams Show*.

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Main Identifier	9780349446165
Thema 1.6	Modern and Contemporary romance (FRD)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	528 pages
Word Count	100000 words
Series	Defying the Stars
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; EU; Ire; SA; UK
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Book locale	Tennessee, US
Author living in	US
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Forsaking Midnight

A Forbidden Enemies-to-Lovers Romance from the bestselling author of the Never After series

Emily McIntire

Keynote

From No. 1 *New York Times* bestselling author Emily McIntire comes the second book in the Defying the Stars series, where small-town drama meets sizzling retellings of forbidden romances.

Description

From the Queen of the Never After retellings comes a modern-day Lancelot & Guinevere filled with serious yearning, hate-to-love you vibes and a happily ever after

Some sins are worth the fall . . .

Lance Calloway fights when they tell him to fight. Bleeds when they tell him to bleed. Breaks when they tell him to break.

Six years in an unsanctioned cage, and the one line he's never crossed? Loyalty to his best friend, no matter the cost.

Then he's asked to protect *her*.

Genevieve DeGrance didn't ask for any of this.

She came to Rosebrook Falls to be with the mayor's son. But nothing in this town is what it seems. Especially not the dangerous fighter who watches her every move like a threat.

She hates him.
 He can't stand her.
 And yet . . .

The more time Lance spends guarding Genevieve, the harder it becomes to remember she belongs to someone else.

And the more she uncovers about Rosebrook Falls, the more she realizes the only honest person in her life is the one man she's forbidden to want.

In a town built on secrets and lies, falling for each other could destroy them both.

But staying away might be the one fight Lance can't win.

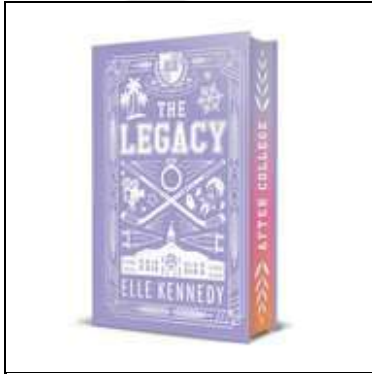
- ☐ **Why you will love this book** ☐
- ☐ forbidden love
- ☐ enemies to lovers
- ☐ best friend's girl
- ☐ morally grey hero
- ☐ forced proximity
- ☐ yearning that ruins lives
- ☐ slow burn with SPICE
- ☐ mafia style romance

Sales Points

- Instagram: 152K followers
 TikTok: 169.4K followers
 Facebook Reader Group: 17.5K members
 Facebook: 25K followers
 Threads: 37.8K followers
 Goodreads: 20,772 followers
- Emily McIntire recently hit #1 on the *Sunday Times* list with the last book in her Never After series, *Hexed*. This is the second book in her brand-new romance series - interconnected standalone contemporary romances inspired by tragic star-crossed love stories.
- Perfect for fans of dark & mafia romance, retelling romance, Emily's previous Never After series and readers that love yearning, addictive romances.

Author Biography

Emily McIntire is a No.1 *New York Times* and No.1 *Sunday Times* bestselling author whose stories serve steam, slow burns, and seriously questionable morals. Her books have been translated in over a dozen languages, and span across several sub-genres within romance. She has been featured on outlets such as Good Morning Chicago and *Cosmopolitan*.



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Thema 1.6	Modern and Contemporary romance (FRD)
Binding	Hardback
Format	Royal
Extent	336 pages
Word Count	
Series	Off-Campus, Off Campus and Briar U Books
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
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Previous Titles

9780349447933 The Goal
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The Legacy

The addictive sports romance from TikTok sensation and bestselling author, Elle Kennedy!

Elle Kennedy

Keynote

This limited Collector's Edition printing will include a new hardcase design, printed edges, designed endpapers, and colored character art of your fave OG hockey couples!

Description

This limited Collector's Edition printing will include a new hardcase design, printed edges, designed endpapers, and colored character art of your fave OG hockey couples!

Four stories. Four couples. Three years of real life after graduation...

A wedding.

A proposal.

An elopement.

And a surprise pregnancy.

Life after college for Garrett and Hannah, Logan and Grace, Dean and Allie, and Tucker and Sabrina, isn't quite what they imagined it would be. Sure, they have each other, but they also have real-life problems that four years at Briar U didn't exactly prepare them for. As it turns out, for these four couples, love is the easy part. Growing up is a whole lot harder.

Come for the drama, stay for the laughs! Catch up with your favorite Off-Campus characters as they navigate the changes that come with growing up and discover that big decisions can have big consequences...and big rewards.

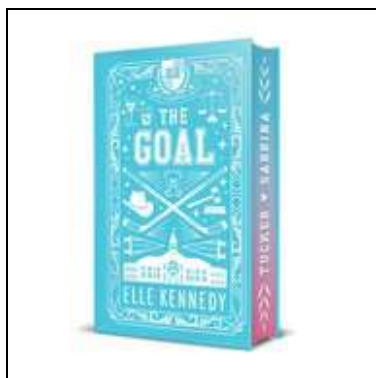
Sales Points

- The beautiful collectable edition of four short stories for fans of the Off-Campus series, following up with characters from the earlier books.
- Elle Kennedy has 545 million views on TikTok (Elle Kennedy Author has 38.9m) and @ellekennedyauthor (her page) has 165.1k followers (as of June 25).
- Upcoming Amazon adaptation of the Off-Campus series due to be released in 2026!

Author Biography

A *New York Times*, *USA Today* and *Wall Street Journal* bestselling author, **Elle Kennedy** grew up in the suburbs of Toronto, Ontario, and holds a B.A. in English from York University. From an early age, she knew she wanted to be a writer, and actively began pursuing that dream when she was a teenager.

Elle currently writes for various publishers. She is the author of more than 50 titles of contemporary romance and romantic suspense novels, including the global sensation Off-Campus series.



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Description

Original Series now on Prime Video

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She's good at achieving her goals...

College senior Sabrina James has her whole future planned out: graduate from college, kick butt in law school, and land a high-paying job at a cutthroat firm. Her path to escaping her shameful past certainly doesn't include a gorgeous hockey player who believes in love at first sight. One night of sizzling heat and surprising tenderness is all she's willing to give John Tucker, but sometimes, one night is all it takes for your entire life to change.

But the game just got a whole lot more complicated...

Tucker believes being a team player is as important as being the star.

On the ice, he's fine staying out of the spotlight, but when it comes to becoming a daddy at the age of twenty-two, he refuses to be a bench warmer. It doesn't hurt that the soon-to-be mother of his child is beautiful, whip-smart, and keeps him on his toes. The problem is, Sabrina's heart is locked up tight, and the fiery brunette is too stubborn to accept his help. If he wants a life with the woman of his dreams, he'll have to convince her that some goals can only be made with an assist.

Sales Points

- Collectable edition of one of the most beloved pairings from Elle Kennedy's Off-Campus series. We've sold over 120k copies of this title so far!
- Forthcoming adaptation on Amazon Prime of this series in 2026!
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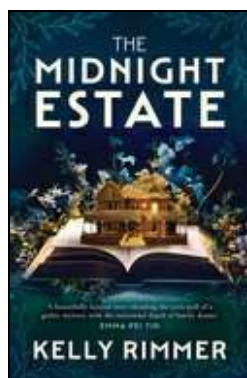
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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	400 pages
Word Count	80000 words
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex ANZ); EU; Ire; UK
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The Midnight Estate

A haunting mystery of a family's darkest secrets, by the bestselling author of THE THINGS WE CANNOT SAY

Kelly Rimmer

Keynote

A haunting tale of family secrets, love and betrayal by the globally bestselling author Kelly Rimmer

Description

'A stunning novel full of heart, hope and enduring love in all its forms. A heart-wrenching mystery to savour' AMANDA GEARD, international bestselling author of *The Midnight House*

'A mesmerizing read which had me glued to the pages from beginning to end. Absorbing, important, impactful, this will stay with me' LOUISE FEIN, international bestselling author of *The Hidden Child*

A crumbling mansion, a forgotten book, and the mystery that could destroy them all . . .

In the aftermath of a tumultuous year, Fiona Winslow finds solace in the decaying grandeur of Wurimbirra, the rambling family estate on Australia's east coast. Intent on restoring it - despite her mother's objections - Fiona discovers the keys to more than just the dilapidated country mansion, but a secret buried for generations.

When a book, *The Midnight Estate*, catches her attention, Fiona is plunged into a tale that mirrors her own life - a story of love, loss and betrayal. She dismisses the similarities as coincidence, but as she's drawn deeper into the story, the lines between fiction and reality blur, and Fiona must ask herself: how well does she know her own family?

A gothic epic that spans generations, *The Midnight Estate* is a chilling journey through a family's darkest secrets, and the haunting echoes they leave behind.

Readers are captivated by *The Midnight Estate* . . .

□□□□□ 'A **must read** for those who enjoy **gothic and eerie fiction** set in old houses'

□□□□□ 'I **didn't want it to end**'

□□□□□ '**Danger, suspense, tragedy**, but also **love and hopefulness**'

□□□□□ '**Memories, mystery, family, secrets, love and betrayal . . . a remarkable story**'

'Kelly Rimmer always delivers a poignant story with real characters who lodge themselves in your heart' MADELINE MARTIN

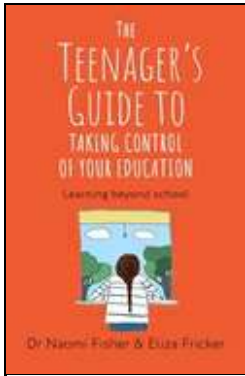
'A book within a book that explores the weight of family secrets and extraordinary acts of humanity in equal measure . . . an emotional, haunting tale' JULIA KELLY

Sales Points

- A haunting tale of family secrets, love, loss and betrayal by a globally bestselling author. For fans of KATE MORTON (HOMECOMING), RACHEL HAWKINS (THE HEIRESS), EVE CHASE (THE GLASS HOUSE) and AMANDA GEARD (THE MIDNIGHT HOUSE).

Author Biography

Kelly Rimmer is the *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal* and *USA Today* bestselling author of ten novels, including *The Secret Daughter* and *The Things We Cannot Say*. Her books have sold more than one million copies, and have been translated into more than 20 languages worldwide. Kelly lives in rural Australia with her family and fantastically naughty dogs, Sully and Basil.



Publication date	Thursday, July 02, 2026
Price	£16.99 / ₹1599
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Thema 1.6	Home schooling / home education (JNH) For secondary education (4CL) Teenage personal and social topics: Advice on careers and further education, leaving school (YXV) Educational psychology (JNC)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	C Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	208 pages
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Illustrations	c.125 b/w line illustrations
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The Teenager's Guide to Taking Control of Your Education Learning Beyond School

Naomi Fisher and Eliza Fricker

Keynote

An essential guide for all teenagers considering education outside of school.

Description

AN ESSENTIAL GUIDE FOR ALL TEENAGERS CONSIDERING EDUCATION OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL

Does any of this sound like you?

- You find regularly attending school difficult or you have been excluded
- School makes you feel unhappy, ill or overwhelmed
- You get so angry at school that you just can't keep doing what you're told to do
- You haven't found the right environment to support your learning
- You are home educated, either because you want to be or because your parents felt they had no other choice

You might not have met anyone else like you, but there are a surprising number of teenagers who do not go to school. Some of them are home educated, but others are just not attending school regularly. Then there are many more who do attend but aren't learning there.

This is not a book which will tell you how to go back to school. You will not find anything here which tells you that without school, your life is ruined. This book is about how you can get an education without going to school. Education is compulsory, but school isn't the same thing as education. School is only one way to get an education.

This book is about some of the other ways.

Co-written by expert clinical psychologist **Dr Naomi Fisher**, who has helped many teenagers deal with navigating education outside of mainstream schools, and by bestselling author and illustrator **Eliza Fricker**, along with seventeen teenagers who have given their experience of learning outside of school.

Sales Points

- Naomi is active on social media and has 88k followers on Facebook, 18.6k followers on Instagram and 11k on LinkedIn. She runs a Substack newsletter with 12k subscribers and has 44k followers on X. Eliza is active on social media including 57k followers on Facebook and a new Substack newsletter.
- Aimed at young people from ages 11-18 who are no longer attending school or who are attending only sporadically and who are not doing well at school.
- Fantastic sales for previous titles, c.21K for *Changing our Minds*, c.6000 for *When The Naughty Step Makes Things Worse* (in just three months), and c.3500 for *The Teenager's Guide to Burnout* (in just a month), so important to keep going with these prolific authors.

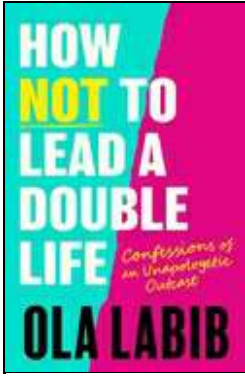
Author Biography

Naomi Fisher (Author)

Dr Naomi Fisher is a clinical psychologist who specialises in trauma, autism and alternative education. She is the mother of two and the author of several books on psychology, education and mental health. Her work has featured in *The Psychologist*, *iNews*, *SEN Magazine* and *The Green Parent*, and she has appeared on many podcasts.

Eliza Fricker (Author)

Eliza Fricker is an author and illustrator who has written and illustrated two books of her own (*The Family Experience of PDA* and *The Sunday Times* bestseller *Can't Not Won't*) as well as having illustrated several others. She runs a successful illustrated blog about her experiences with her daughter's school attendance struggles (missingthemark.co.uk). She created the Missing the Mark podcast, an exploration of what happens when a child isn't happy at school. She has spoken at the Rethinking Education conference and gives talks to local authorities on what it's like for families when a child can't attend school.



Publication date	Thursday, July 09, 2026
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How Not to Lead a Double Life Confessions of an Unapologetic Outcast

Ola Labib

Keynote

A coming of age memoir of growing up as a Hijabi torn between two cultures - by British Sudanese comedian on the up, Ola Labib

Description

'Growing up as the only Black, hijab-wearing girl in a white seaside town, with strict African Muslim parents, I was stuck between a world I didn't feel part of and one I wasn't allowed to fully embrace. I was raised to follow the rules, be the good daughter, be a top-achieving pharmacist and finally marry an eligible bachelor. But life had other plans - like falling for a rapper, sneaking into stand-up comedy, and finding myself on stage at the O2. This is the story of how I found my voice, learned to live for myself, and discover that even when love and tradition clash, there's still room to laugh, grow, and belong.'

Sales Points

- Influential pioneer Ola Labib is a rising name in British comedy. Best known for her infectious charm, edgy comedy material and wry humour, her engaging stories are inspired by having a foot in two cultures.
- Ola is the writer and lead actor in Channel 4 pilot *The Pharmacy*.
- Ola was named by ITalkTelly as being one of 'The Top 22 TV stars to keep an eye on' and has since supported Mo Gilligan as the first Sudanese woman to perform at the O2 Arena and achieved a list of TV credits including *World's Most Dangerous Road* (Dave), *Alan Davies: As Yet Untitled* (Dave), *Comedy Central Live* (Comedy Central), *The Emily Attack Show* (ITV) and Richard Osman's *House of Games* (BBC), *Sorry I Didn't Know* (ITV) *Don't Hate the Playez* (ITV).
- In 2024, Ola completed her first sold out tour run for her debut show pOLArising and is going on tour in 2025 with her show Dispersible.
- Ola has a dedicated and growing audience, with strong engagement.

Author Biography

Ola Labib is a rising name in British comedy. Best known for her infectious charm, edgy comedy material and wry humour, her engaging stories are inspired by both her strict Islamic and traditional African upbringing, citing her father as her biggest comedy hero. She was named by ITalkTelly as being one of 'The Top 22 TV stars to keep an eye on' and has since supported Mo Gilligan as the first Sudanese woman to perform at the O2 Arena and achieved a list of TV credits including *World's Most Dangerous Road* (Dave), *Alan Davies: As Yet Untitled* (Dave), *Comedy Central Live* (Comedy Central), *The Emily Attack Show* (ITV) and *Richard Osman's House of Games* (BBC), *Sorry I Didn't Know* (ITV) *Don't Hate the Playaz* (ITV). In 2024, Ola completed her first sold out tour run for her debut show pOLArising and is going on tour in 2025 with her show Dispersible. Ola has achieved her first commissioned script with Channel 4 *The Pharmacy*.

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Overcoming Chronic Fatigue 3rd Edition A self-help guide using cognitive behavioural techniques

Mary Burgess With Trudie Chalder

Keynote

Break free from the crippling cycle of chronic fatigue

Description

Break free from the crippling cycle of chronic fatigue

This valuable self-help guide offers ways of improving long-lasting fatigue associated with a range of long-term conditions including chronic fatigue syndrome. Using recognised techniques, cognitive behavioural therapy (CBT) helps to change coping strategies. The approach described helps people break the vicious circle of fatigue and for many results in a reduction in symptoms and disability.

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Ways to challenge unhelpful thoughts
Suggestions for how partners, relatives and friends can help

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Series Editor: Emeritus Professor Peter Cooper

Sales Points

- Fully revised and updated edition
- Recommended as part of the Reading Well Books on Prescription scheme for long term conditions
- Based on clinically proven Cognitive Behavioural Therapy techniques.

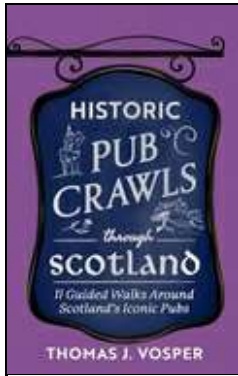
Reviews

- 'Provides an excellent overview of how best the complexities of CFS may be understood.' - *The Psychologist*
- 'Cognitive Behavioural Therapy appears to be an effective and acceptable treatment for adult out-patients with CFS. Its sufferers deserve . . . to be more aware of the potential of this therapy to bring lasting functional benefit.' - *Cochrane Review*

Author Biography

Mary Burgess has worked as a cognitive behavioural therapist with patients with severe fatigue for thirty years. In addition to her clinical work, she has been engaged in research and development. This involved developing and evaluating interventions for adults and adolescents who experienced difficulty in getting to the hospital due to the severity of their symptoms. With colleagues, this work has been published in academic journals and led to the writing of the original version of this book.

Trudie Chalder is a professor of cognitive behavioural psychotherapy at King's College London. She has worked as a clinician and a researcher in the area of fatigue for about thirty-five years. She developed the cognitive behavioural treatment of chronic fatigue syndrome, and the approach has now been evaluated in a number of clinical research trials with positive results.



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Extent	256 pages
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Illustrations	integrated images & line drawn maps
Series	Historic Pub Crawls
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Historic Pub Crawls Through Scotland 11 Guided Walks Around Scotland's Iconic Pubs and Landmarks

Thomas J. Vosper

Keynote

A fun and informative guide to 11 walks around Scotland's iconic pubs and landmarks

Description

Step into Scotland's past, one pub at a time, with *Historic Pub Crawls Through Scotland*.

What started as a birthday pub crawl across London's historic alehouses quickly turned into something much bigger. Author and pub enthusiast Thomas J. Vosper turned his routes into *Historic Pub Crawls Through London I* and *II*. The books took off, leading to popular editions covering England, Ireland and New York - and now, Scotland.

This book brings together 11 guided walking routes through some of Scotland's most atmospheric cities, including Edinburgh, Glasgow and Aberdeen. Each walk strings together a carefully chosen selection of historic pubs, weaving past famous landmarks and hidden corners, and sharing stories that are sometimes fascinating, sometimes irreverent, and always entertaining.

Whether you're into a well-kept ale, a dram of Scotch, or simply enjoy soaking up the history that gathers around Scotland's drinking holes, these crawls are designed to be enjoyed at your own pace. Every route starts and finishes near a main train station, with clear directions and full pub details included to keep things simple.

Perfect for visitors, locals and anyone who enjoys a good pint, *Historic Pub Crawls Through Scotland* invites you to discover Scotland through its pubs, past and present.

Sales Points

• THE PERFECT GIFT FOR LADS, DADS AND PUB AND HISTORY LOVERS

As a self-published author Thomas has achieved sales of £34k through Amazon alone. This is a brand new which will be published as a beautiful gifty hardback with maps against St. Andrew's Day and in time for Christmas.

• FAST-GROWING SOCIAL MEDIA STAR

Thomas has over 250k engaged followers, largely through Instagram @historicpubcrawls and but also TikTok (@historicpubcrawls). He also has a USA dedicated account with 16k followers @historicpubcrawlsusa. His fans are very loyal fans of beer, history and sports. Over 30% of fans are based in USA.

• A CELEB FAVOURITE

Thomas is growing quickly with many celebrity fans, including Bradley Wiggins, Ed Sheeran, Tom Hardy and Jack Cheshire.

• AN ESSENTIAL FOR TOURISTS

Walking books for tourists particularly on Scotland are a perennial favourite that are selling particularly well currently. Comparable titles include London: A Guide for Curious Wanderers (over 40,000 tcm)

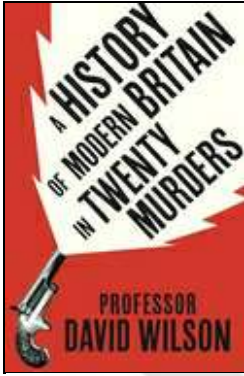
• A PUBLICITY DREAM

Thomas is extremely promotable and his account is attracting a great deal of press attention with BBC News, The Sun and The Mirror, running features about his plan to drink at every pub in Britain as well as BBC national and local radio interviews. Throughout the year, significant anniversaries and events, such as National Beer Day, as well as ongoing discussion relating to the pub trade, mean Thomas is a ready-made, go-to talking head but all matters relating to pubs.

Author Biography

Thomas has been running a pub crawl for his birthday almost every year since his mid-twenties. In the summer of 2023 he compiled and self-published 13 routes into the first book in a series of titles covering Historic Pub Crawls.

His elevation to social media sensation is something of a change after spending over two decades in technology corporates and startups. As well as visiting, filming and writing about pubs he plays guitar and piano, likes tattoos and wears crazy trousers and yellow shoes. He was raised in North West London, where he still lives, with easy access to the city pubs.



A History of Modern Britain in Twenty Murders

David Wilson

Keynote

In this groundbreaking new book from the UK's leading criminologist, David Wilson explores what our nation's most lethal murderers reveal about us in a thrilling blend of history and true crime.

Description

In this groundbreaking new book from the UK's leading criminologist, David Wilson explores what our nation's most lethal murderers reveal about us in a thrilling blend of history and true crime.

Professor David Wilson is renowned for deciphering the hidden motives of murderers and the context in which crimes took place. In *A History of Modern Britain in 20 Murders*, he zooms out to look at the big picture, examining what multiple murders across a range of eras can tell us about our past...and our present.

Told in Wilson's absorbing style, this is a fresh look at crimes and points in history we think we know. Ranging from the crimes of Jack the Ripper and the shocking "Brides in the Bath" deaths, to the tragic murders of James Bulger and Sarah Everard, Wilson reveals why some cases particularly resonate with and reverberate through public consciousness, and how they can help us understand Britain's complex, diverse and ongoing history.

From colonial wars and the end of the empire, to the Blitz, through the swinging sixties, into the nineties all the way to present day, this is a truly fascinating and accessible approach to both history and criminology, always centring the victims, that will leave readers questioning the wider impact of the next murder case that grips Britain.

Sales Points

- David makes regular TV appearances as a commentator on Channel 5 and ITV, and has presented multiple documentaries, including 'In the Footsteps of a Killer' (Channel 4) and 'Jack the Ripper - the Case Reopened' (BBC) alongside Emilia Fox, and starred in the follow-up documentary to 'Des', which 4.3 million viewers tuned in to.
- This is an exciting new direction for David that also harks back to where we seen the biggest success with him. In this "true crime plus" space, we have a book that will appeal equally to both core true crime fans and history readers.

Author Biography

David Wilson is Emeritus Professor of Criminology and the founding Director of the Centre for Applied Criminology at Birmingham City University. Prior to taking up an academic appointment in 1997, David was a prison governor working at a variety of establishments in a number of different roles.

Professor Wilson appears in the print and broadcast media as a commentator and presenter. His publishing includes *Hunting Evil*, *A History of British Serial Killing*, *Signs of Murder*, *A Plot to Kill* and his professional memoir, *My Life with Murderers*, which was shortlisted for the Saltire Prize for Non-Fiction.

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Extent	368 pages
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Series	North University
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Author born in	Sheffield
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North University:	
Falling	
Drayton Hills:	
Our Secret Moments	
Our Secret Game	
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Unravelling

An academic rivals-to-lovers romance for 2026 with sizzling tension and forced proximity, perfect for fans of Hannah Grace and Elle Kennedy.

Janisha Boswell

Keynote

A heart-racing academic rivals-to-lovers college romance, full of sizzling tension and forced proximity. Perfect for fans of Hannah Grace and Elle Kennedy.

Description

'Janisha truly nails the atmosphere of college, the pressure of high-performance athletics, and the fake-dating plot with this book!' **Esha Patel on *Falling***

Welcome to North University!

Scarlett Voss has always been in control. As the daughter of a fashion dynasty, she knows exactly what's expected of her - but no matter how hard she works, she's never taken seriously within the family business. The last thing she needs is being paired with Evan Branson - the infuriatingly handsome blond she loves to hate -for a class project.

Evan Branson has enough on his plate already, trying to figure out what he wants from his future while battling pressures no one else seems to notice.

Teaming up with Scarlett was supposed to be a distraction, but the more time he spends with her, the harder it is to ignore the woman beneath the polished exterior. And when she unexpectedly asks for his help, he jumps at the chance to prove he can be the support she's never had.

But as their banter turns into something deeper, the two must decide: protect their hearts or risk everything for a chance at something real?

A fun, heartfelt academic rivals-to-lovers romance novel. Perfect for fans of Becka Mack, Bal Khabra and Elle Kennedy.

Tropes:

- She dislikes him, he's obsessed with her
- Academic rivals to lovers
- Family drama
- Forced proximity

Readers are giving *Unravelling* 5-stars!

'There were **so many things to love about this book!! The banter!** ☐ Everyone must read this!' 5-star Reader Review

'If you're looking for something cute **to get you out of a reading slump, read this** - I sped through it so fast!' 5-star Reader Review

'**So so good that you'll read it in one sitting.** ☐☐☐☐☐ Nothing better than an **enemies to lovers** story to start your mornings' 5-star Reader Review

'**Academic rivalry, family war, a school project, friendships and more - everything is just perfect**' 5-star Reader Review

'I adored this story. **Black cat and standard poodle vibes...**I can't wait for everyone to get their hands on this story!!' 5-star Reader Review

'The snarky back and forth and tension was just incredible. **I'm obsessed with these characters!**' 5-star Reader Review

Sales Points

- **THE NEXT BOOK IN THE ADDICTIVE NORTH UNIVERSITY SERIES:** Following *Falling*, this is the second instalment in the series (with crossover characters) but it can also be read as a standalone.
- **A SIZZLING RIVALS-TO-LOVERS ROMANCE:** *Unravelling* is a dual POV, academic rivals-to-lovers college romance packed with tension, longing, and undeniable chemistry.
- **PERFECT FOR TROPE LOVERS:** Featuring fan-favourite tropes including black cat x golden retriever, academic rivals to lovers, family drama, and forced proximity, this book delivers everything readers crave in a college romance. Ideal for fans of Hannah Grace (PB TCM 700k), Elle Kennedy (PB TCM 230k) Stephanie Archer (PB TCM 108k) and Bal Khabra (PB TCM 83K).

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- **AUTHENTIC, EMOTIONAL, AND INCLUSIVE:** Janisha's books explore love, career aspirations, and personal growth. Filled with warmth, diverse characters, and emotional depth, her books deeply resonate with readers seeking romantic and inclusive stories.
- **A RISING ROMANCE STAR:** At just twenty years old, Janisha has already written four books and built an impressive 13.4k followers on TikTok with over a million views and 32k followers on Instagram. We're investing in Janisha as a long-term brand author.

Author Biography

Janisha Boswell is a twenty-year-old romance author known for her heartfelt and steamy stories. Her popular Drayton Hills series delves into the lives of college students, exploring themes of love, career aspirations, and personal growth. Her work is celebrated for its warmth, diversity, and emotional depth, resonating with readers who seek romantic and inclusive tales.

You can often find Janisha locked in her room, curtains drawn and a document open in front of her. Writing has always been her passion and she's determined to continue to create passionate love stories even better than the last.

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Author living in	New Barnet, London
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The Shadow Step

The remarkable Detective Miller is back with a riveting new mystery

Mark Billingham

Keynote

The new novel by number one *Sunday Times* and multi-million-selling master of crime fiction, Mark Billingham

Description

<H2>The new Detective Miller thriller from bestselling author Mark Billingham, full of tension, wit and incredible twists.</H2>

'I'm excited to have found a new favourite detective' CLAIRE DOUGLAS

'Edge-of-your-seat tension, wit and heart - fantastic!' LISA JEWELL

'Funny, moving, and full of surprises. An absolute treat' MICK HERRON

<H2>It's Detective Miller's deadliest dance...</H2>

The Shadow Step: One taken simultaneously by a pair of dancers facing the same direction, one of them behind and slightly shifted leftwards ('in the shadow')

Typically, such a step perfectly demonstrates synchronized elegance. It showcases a couple in near telepathic harmony with one another. **It does not normally end with someone stone-dead in a lake.**

DS Declan Miller is a magnet for strange cases, but how can he catch a killer when the man confessing to the crime is clearly innocent? Things rapidly escalate when the murder that isn't really a murder at all attracts the unwanted attention of a drugs Queenpin, a deranged ex-squaddie and a lovesick gangland enforcer. Then a student is kidnapped...

Throw in a wobbly dog, a pair of ceramic leopards and the distracting smell from a local biscuit factory, and - if he wants to save a young man's life - Miller has little choice but to waltz all the way into the shadows.

Sales Points

- **LARGE PLATFORM OF READERS:** Billingham is one of the UK's most established crime brands in the UK, a supporter of new authors who tours relentlessly. He has a **devoted reader following**, with 35k on X and 21k on Facebook.
- **ALWAYS A BESTSELLER** Billingham has had **25 consecutive *Sunday Times* bestsellers**, putting him in an incredibly small group at the top of UK crime fiction. Mark's latest novel, *WHAT THE NIGHT BRINGS*, hit the top 10 bestseller chart two weeks in a row on publication with hardback sales **up 8%** book-on-book.
- **HIGHLY ACCLAIMED** Both public and critics have taken Detective Miller to their hearts. *The Last Dance* received **incredible reviews** and was shortlisted for the Theakston Crime Novel of the Year Award. *The Wrong Hands* received even more reader love, with a 4.5-star Goodreads rating, and was one of **THE TIMES best 10 crime novels of 2024**.
- **FAN FAVOURITE** The Detective Miller novels have been a huge hit with readers. Both *THE LAST DANCE* and *THE WRONG HANDS* hit the *Sunday Times* bestseller chart on launch in hardback and paperback, and have cumulatively sold **over 300K copies** across all formats. In the first 12 weeks of sale, *THE WRONG HANDS* sold over **27K copies** all formats, **up 15%** book-on-book, with career high pre-orders especially in ebook and audio.

Reviews

- 'Mark Billingham does **edge-of-your-seat tension, wit and heart** like no one else' - *Lisa Jewell*
- 'The **very best** in the business' - *Richard Osman*
- '**Exceptionally gifted** storytelling' - *Karin Slaughter*
- 'One of **Britain's greatest** crime writers' - *Daily Mail*

Author Biography

Mark Billingham has twice won the Theakston Old Peculier Award for Crime Novel of the Year, the Sherlock Award for the best detective created by a British writer and in 2026 he was awarded the Crime Writers' Association Diamond Dagger for an outstanding lifetime contribution to the genre. *Sleepyhead* and *Scaredy Cat* were made into a hit TV series on Sky 1 starring David Morrissey as Tom Thorne, and a series based on the novels *In the Dark* and *Time of Death* was broadcast on BBC1. Mark lives in north London with his wife and two children.



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Not for Sale	Can; USA
Book locale	Malmö, Sweden
Author living in	London

Previous Titles

The Hunter
The Enemy
The Game
Better Off Dead
The Darkest Day
A Time to Die
The Final Hour
Kill For Me
A Knock at the Door
A Quiet Man
Traitor
Blood Debt
Firefight

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Unlucky for Some

Tom Wood

Keynote

The latest novel in the breathtaking Victor series, soon to be a major TV series

Description

'Wood is close to taking the crown as our top action writer.' *THE TELEGRAPH*

'Packed with action' *FINANCIAL TIMES*

'An incendiary thrill ride' *HEAT*

'A pure hitman thriller with cinematic flair' *THE I PAPER*

In his latest gripping adventure, the world's deadliest assassin is all out of luck.

Malmö, Sweden. What should have been a simple job - to kill the heir of an organised crime family - spirals out of control when assassin-for-hire Victor is shot and wounded.

Forced to hide out in a hostile city while he recuperates, he doesn't realise that multiple enemies are circling to take advantage of his circumstances.

Faced with a vengeful criminal organisation, corrupt officials, ruthless bounty hunters, elite mercenaries, and the most dangerous assassin he's ever faced, Victor's luck has finally run out.

Sales Points

- **TV INCOMING:** Soon to be a major TV series starring Matthew Fox (LOST) on Max, made by Gaumont and Entertainment 360 (RIPLEY)
- **LOYAL FANBASE:** Tom Wood's fans adore his work, propelling his sales with Little, Brown alone to more than three-quarters of a million copies.
- **ACCLAIMED BY PEERS** Tom is highly acclaimed by both critics and his bestselling peers, including Gregg Hurwitz (THE LAST ORPHAN, 22,224 B TCM), Simon Kernick (GOOD COP BAD COP, 23,416 B TCM), and James Swallow (AIRSIDE, 12,533 B TCM)

Reviews

- 'Terrifically fun and explosively propulsive' - *Gregg Hurwitz*
- 'Great, page-turning, with a hard edge' - *James Swallow*
- 'Each plot twist is unexpected and well timed' - *Daily Mail*
- 'Great insights into tradecraft and psychology' - *Sunday Times*

Author Biography

Tom Wood is a full-time writer born in Burton-on-Trent who now lives in London. After a stint as freelance editor and film-maker, he completed his first novel, *The Hunter*, which was an instant bestseller and introduced readers to a genuine antihero, Victor, an assassin with a purely logical view on life and whose morals are deeply questionable. Like Victor, Tom is passionate about physical sport, being both a huge boxing fan and practising Krav Maga martial arts, which has seen him sustain a number of injuries. He has not, however, ever killed anyone.

Tom also publishes standalone psychological thrillers, including *A Knock at the Door*.



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Previous Titles	
With Sphere and Hachette Ireland: Moving On	
With Hachette Ireland:	
A Winter to Remember	
Life Before Us	
The Book Club	
It's That Time of Year	
The Restaurant	
The Birthday Party	
The Anniversary	
The Street Where You Live	
The Reunion	
I'll Be Home for Christmas	
Two Fridays in April	
After the Wedding	
Don't Even Think About It	
Something in Common	
One Summer	
The People Next Door	
The Things We Do For Love	
Love in the Making	
Half Seven on a Thursday	
See If I Care	
The Last Week of May	
Putting Out the Stars	
The Daisy Picker	
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Second Chances

from the Irish bestseller comes a brand-new uplifting and escapist novel to make you laugh and cry

Roisin Meaney

Keynote

From the Irish bestseller comes a brand-new heart-breaking yet hopeful read about putting the broken pieces of your life back together again, even when it feels impossible, the importance of community and the power of second chances - perfect for fans of Lucy Diamond, Cathy Bramley and Jill Mansell.

Description

It's never too late for second chances...

For the first time in her life, Lydia is taking a great big leap of faith. She's moving to a small town on the West Coast of Ireland to overhaul a large, long-abandoned residence named Chance House with her new husband.

Then tragedy strikes, and Lydia is reminded why she doesn't take chances. Suddenly she's facing a very different prospect: a half-finished ramshackle estate, an overgrown garden, dwindling funds, no-one to turn to - and everywhere she looks, reminders of the love she's lost.

Starting over feels impossible. Staying put feels harder still. But when the local community rallies around her and Lydia is unexpectedly reminded of the power of new beginnings, she realises she might just owe it to herself and them to take a *second* chance on Chance House...

From the Irish bestseller comes a brand-new, heart-breaking yet hopeful read about the importance of community and the power of starting over - perfect for fans of Lucy Diamond, Cathy Bramley and Jill Mansell.

☐ Real readers loved taking a chance on *Second Chances*: ☐

'Gorgeous book...Such depth and empathic writing. Every character true and relatable' NetGalley Reviewer ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'I loved seeing Lydia grow and progress through the book with the help of a mighty and strong community in the village...The poignancy and sentimentality through the book was just beautiful and real. Loved the surprise twist...I would highly recommend this book!' NetGalley Reviewer ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'I absolutely loved this gorgeous exploration of loss, healing and the power of community...it [has] relatable characters and emotional depth. A perfect balance of heartbreak and hope, a soothing balm in times of turmoil' NetGalley Reviewer ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Meaney has a wonderfully warm and immersive writing style...a hopeful and reflective read' NetGalley Reviewer ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Another utterly fantastic book by one of my favourite Irish authors...The way Roisin Meaney writes is just fabulous and I feel that I'm there in the story myself. An amazing read!' NetGalley Reviewer ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'I adored this book: the village life, everybody mucking in to help (oh, Greta!)...one of her best yet' NetGalley Reviewer ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Absolutely loved *Second Chances*...I read it in a single day and couldn't put it down. Lydia is such a warm, relatable main character, and the story is comforting and engaging throughout. I'm a huge fan of this author and will definitely be recommending this book to others' NetGalley Reviewer ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

Sales Points

- **A MUCH-LOVED IRISH AUTHOR:** A multiple-time *Irish Times* bestseller with sales of over 750,000 copies across formats to date, Roisin Meaney is a well-loved author in the genre, which her reviews lay testament to, with over 25,000 four- and five-star ratings across her books in the last decade. Her most recent release, *Moving On*, spent seven consecutive weeks on the bestseller list.
- **A UK OPPORTUNITY:** We have partnered with Hachette Ireland to bring Roisin's wonderful writing to yet more readers, with a three-prong publishing strategy that launches with the C-format, before pivoting to promote digital editions to bridge the gap ahead of a summer release for the paperback, bringing a comprehensive 360

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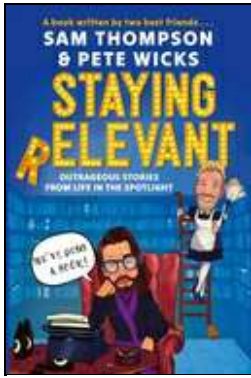
- **TREND-LED PUBLISHING FOR OLDER READERS:** Featuring universal themes of second chances, starting over, weddings and a gorgeous Irish community setting, this book will resonate with readers of all ages, but especially those with some life experience under their belts. Perfect for fans of Sarah Morgan's *Summer Wedding* (45k PB TCM), Cathy Kelly's *The Wedding Party* (28k PB TCM) and Lucy Diamond's *Summer with my Sister* (9k PB TCM).

Author Biography

Roisin Meaney was born in Listowel, Co Kerry, She has lived in the US, Canada, Africa and Europe but is now based in Limerick, Ireland. This Number One bestselling author is a consistent presence on the Irish bestseller list and she is the author of twenty novels including *Life Before Us*, *It's That Time of Year* and *The Restaurant*. She has also written books for children.

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Staying Relevant

The Book - the uproarious Sunday Times bestseller and a perfect gift for fans of Pete and Sam

Sam Thompson and Pete Wicks

Keynote

Welcome to *Staying Relevant*, a book written by two best friends . . . contains swearing, adult themes and desperate stories from life in the spotlight.

Description

Welcome to *Staying Relevant*, a book written by two best friends . . . contains swearing, adult themes and outrageous stories from life in the spotlight.

If you think you know us already, you're wrong. You're gonna find out a hell of a lot about us. Probably more than you ever needed or wanted to know, to be honest. This book isn't about the glossy, filtered version of us that people normally see. It's about the real Sam and Pete, the ones behind the nonsense. Now grab a bevvy, get comfy and enjoy the journey with us - through the best bits, the worst bits, and all the absolute bottom-of-the-barrel moments in between, on our quest to stay relevant.

In their first book together, Sam and Pete lay out what it truly takes to stay in the spotlight. A celebration of their unlikely friendship, the book features brand new, insane stories from their lives, including: behind the scenes, never-before-told tales from the jungle and the ballroom, hosting the NTAs red carpet, their journey creating the podcast, and plenty more. Expect swearing, heaps of positivity from Sam and, of course, zero sarcasm from Pete.

Sales Points

- Pete Wicks is already a successful author. *Never Enough* was a *Sunday Times Bestseller* in 2024, selling over 43k units across all formats. Nearly 30k audio books, over 10.5k hardbacks and over 4k e-Books sold! Spotify listeners have spent 3.4M minutes enjoying Pete's bestselling book.
- Staying Relevant* is a monster success. The Live Tour in 2024 sold out in five venues across the UK, plus three sold out nights at the Apollo Theatre in London. The multiple chart topping podcast receives 217k downloads a week and 926k a month - huge!
- The authors' own and *Staying Relevant* channels are massive.
Instagram: *Staying Relevant* 300k, with over 15.4M views
Sam Thompson 2.7M; Pete Wicks 1.9M
TikTok: *Staying Relevant* 421.9k, with just under 1M views
Sam Thompson 1.7M
YouTube: *Staying Relevant* 76.6k, with 655k views
- A must-have for all fans of *Staying Relevant* and Sam and Pete. With their unlikely friendship front and centre, the book will offer unique value to readers, with more insane stories of their lives, never before seen tales from the jungle and the Strictly ballroom, and insight into their journey on the podcast.

Author Biography

Sam Thompson is a British television personality, radio presenter and podcaster. Sam first rose to fame on E4's BAFTA award-winning *Made In Chelsea*, making his debut in 2013 and final appearance in 2021. He has since appeared on a number of other high-profile TV shows including Channel 4's *SAS: Who Dares Wins* for Stand Up To Cancer, as well as presenting ITV2's *Love Island After Sun* alongside Maya Jama and Indiyah Polack. He won ITV's *I'm A Celebrity...Get Me Out of Here!* in 2023. Staying on the air waves, Sam can be found hosting his own weekend show on *HITS* radio every Saturday.

Pete Wicks is a *Sunday Times* bestselling author, broadcaster and podcast host. A popular and regular guest on mainstream entertainment shows, Pete's work has spanned all major networks and channels, with credits including Channel 4's *SAS: Who Dares Wins*, BBC's *Masterchef*, and Channel 4's *The Circle*, and Pete recently reaching the semi-finals of BBC's *Strictly Come Dancing* 2024. January 2025 saw Pete's debut and record-breaking UKTV series, *Pete Wicks - For Dogs' Sake*, a four-part documentary following the journey and rehabilitation of rescue dogs. Pete then launched his debut Kiss FM weekend radio show, *The Sunday Roast*, with fellow broadcaster and radio co-host Olivia Attwood.



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Sharp Force

The nail-biting new Scarpetta thriller for 2025

Patricia Cornwell

Keynote

The 120-million-copy bestseller returns with a gripping new thriller featuring Kay Scarpetta.

Description

SCARPETTA, A BRAND NEW ORIGINAL SERIES, IS NOW ON PRIME VIDEO

NO ONE IS SAFE FROM THE SERIAL KILLER. NOT EVEN SCARPETTA...

In the early hours of the morning, chief medical examiner Dr Kay Scarpetta receives a chilling call. The Phantom Slasher has struck again.

The serial killer has terrorized Northern Virginia for months. His pattern is to stalk with a sophisticated technology that enables him to invade his victims' homes and watch their every move. They wake up to a ghost-like hologram before being murdered in their beds.

Scarpetta is summoned to Mercy Island, the site of a notorious psychiatric hospital where two people have been brutalized, one of them from Scarpetta's past. It soon becomes apparent that she could be next . . .

DON'T MISS *TRUE CRIME*, PATRICIA CORNWELL'S JAW-DROPPING MEMOIR - AVAILABLE NOW

'In *Sharp Force* Cornwell is at the very top of her game and Scarpetta is as finely wrought as ever. The research is impeccable as always . . . You are in the hands of a master storyteller. Sit back and prepare to be thrilled' DAVID BALDACCI

'Compelling, grisly and dark, another incredible thriller' *THE SUN*

'This is vintage Cornwell' *THE FINANCIAL TIMES*

'Masterfully plotted and utterly addictive' *WOMAN'S OWN*

Sales Points

- **A LIVING LEGEND:** Cornwell has **sold over 9 million copies TCM**, and over **120 million copies worldwide**. The *Scarpetta* TV series starring **Nicole Kidman** and **Jamie Lee Curtis** topped **Amazon's global charts** after launching in March
- **A TRULY GLOBAL BRAND:** Cornwell's books have been translated into **36 languages** in more than **120 countries**
- **AN AWARD-WINNER:** Cornwell has won many **prestigious awards** including the Edgar, the Creasey, the Anthony, the Macavity and the Prix du Roman d'Aventure
- **A NAIL-BITING NEW THRILLER:** the **29th Scarpetta thriller**, following *Identity Unknown* (**174k net** across formats)

Reviews

- **'In *Sharp Force* Cornwell is at the very top of her game and Scarpetta is as finely wrought as ever. The research is as impeccable as always . . . You are in the hands of a master storyteller. Sit back and prepare to be thrilled'** - DAVID BALDACCI
- **'Compelling, grisly and dark, another incredible thriller'** - *THE SUN*
- **'This is vintage Cornwell'** - *FINANCIAL TIMES*

Author Biography

In 1990, **Patricia Cornwell** sold her first novel, *Postmortem*, while working at the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner in Richmond, Virginia. An auspicious debut, it went on to win the Edgar, Creasey, Anthony, and Macavity Awards, as well as the French Prix du Roman d'Aventures - the first book ever to claim all these distinctions in a single year. Growing into an international phenomenon, the Scarpetta series won Cornwell the Sherlock Award for best detective created by an American author, the Gold Dagger Award, the RBA Thriller Award, and the Medal of Chevalier of the Order of Arts and Letters for her contributions to literary and artistic development.

Today, Cornwell's novels and iconic characters are known around the world. Beyond the Scarpetta series, Cornwell has written the definitive nonfiction account of Jack the Ripper's identity, cookbooks, a children's book, a biography of Ruth Graham, and three other fictional series based on the characters Win Garano, Andy Brazil, and Captain Callie Chase. Cornwell continues exploring the latest space-age technologies and threats relevant to contemporary life. Her interests range from the morgue to artificial intelligence and include visits to Interpol, the Pentagon, the U.S. Secret Service and NASA.



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The Last Daughter

Soraya Lane

Keynote

The final instalment of the sweeping, beloved The Lost Daughters series. A heartbreakingly beautiful, expansive and epic love story about lost loves, hidden lives and forgotten secrets

Description

Hope looked up at Gus, his fingers linked with hers as he smiled down at her. The wind whipped at her hair, cool against her skin, but all she cared about was the man standing in front of her. 'I choose you, Hope,' he whispered. 'A thousand times over, I choose you.'

London, Present day: Mia clutches the last remaining box found at Hope's House in her hands. For months she has been determined to reunite every box with its rightful owner. But now it's time for her to discover Hope's own heartbreaking story.

France 1938: When Hope meets Gus in the lively streets of Paris, she finally feels that she has met her kindred spirit. But as they plan their dream future together it is clear that Gus's father will never allow their romance to develop. Defying his wishes, Gus promises Hope that they will be together after his army training.

But with France on the brink of war, Hope travels back to London for safety, cradling a life-changing secret. Then devastating news arrives which threatens Hope's future and shatters her heart. In the darkest days of war, will Hope find the courage to give others the chance of a brighter future? And will her own story of strength inspire Mia to follow her heart?

The utterly gorgeous and heartbreaking final novel in the Lost Daughters series will leave you spellbound and is the perfect read for fans of Santa Montefiore, Lucinda Riley and Victoria Hislop.

Sales Points

- **AN EPIC AND EMOTIONAL LOVE STORY:** Perfect for fans of expansive, stirring romantic fiction, like The Seven Sisters series by Lucinda Riley (200k copies in New Zealand alone)
- **AN ASPIRATIONAL, EVOCATIVE SETTING:** The eighth and final novel in a beloved eight-novel romance series that can be read as a standalone novel; each book is dual timeline, following the journey of a different strong female lead, and featuring a gorgeous location
- **A BESTSELLING SERIES:** *The Italian Daughter* was a bestseller in New Zealand, Germany and the Netherlands. *The Sapphire Daughter*, was an instant Dutch #1 bestseller, and Soraya Lane is a #1 Amazon bestseller who has sold over 750,000 copies in the English language
- **A MASSIVE RIGHTS SUCCESS:** The Lost Daughters series has sold in twenty territories
- **A BRILLIANT AUTHOR:** The author is based in New Zealand and travels frequently to Australia for events

Author Biography

Soraya Lane is the author of historical and contemporary women's fiction, and her novel *Wives of War* was an Amazon Charts bestseller. Soraya lives in her native New Zealand.

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The Burning Fears

Katy Massey

Keynote

The gripping new novel from Katy Massey, a fresh, northern, Black British voice in the crime genre with endorsements from Bernardine Evaristo and Louise Doughty.

Description

****THE GRIPPING NEW NOVEL FROM WINNER OF THE ILP JOHN CREASEY FIRST NOVEL DAGGER 2025, KATY MASSEY****

Leeds 1982. As a city struggles to break free of the past, evil finds a new place to hide.

DS Mick Hunniford, tired and tainted by the botched Yorkshire Ripper investigation, is yesterday's man, his career hanging by a thread.

Maureen, owner of Leeds's leading brothel, struggles to recover from a horrendous attack three years before.

When notorious escort Lynda Brown is killed in front of Maureen's eyes, she and Mick find themselves drawn together once more.

The pair must face a new killer, with new appetites, one which dwells among the city's elites. Can they put the past behind them once and for all, even if this investigation proves to be their last?

PRAISE FOR KATY MASSEY:

'Powerful, provocative, beautiful and unforgettable. *All Us Sinners* is a chilling, moving, majestic debut and Katy Massey is a wonderful storyteller' - Chris Whitaker

'A masterful debut crime novel... Clever and compelling' - *Woman & Home*

'I loved this. It takes a fresh and moving look at a series of crimes we all think we know well. The writing is terrific, conveying the fear and the grief of the women who lived through this with tender respect.' - Emma Flint

'A gripping and important story imbued with suspense, giving voice to the forgotten women in the gruesome shadows of the Yorkshire Ripper' - Diana Evans

'Enthrallingly exciting' - *Heat*

'A book about real women, vivid, complex and tender from a great new voice. You'll love it' - Kit de Waal

'Loved it. A gem!' - Bernardine Evaristo on *Are We Home Yet?*

Sales Points

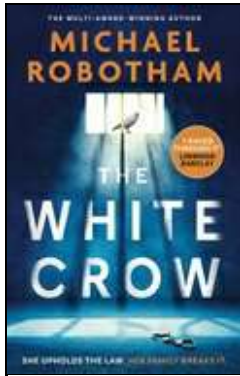
- **AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR:** Katy is an extraordinary writer, bringing a **fresh, northern, Black British voice** to the crime genre, and coming with quotes from Bernardine Evaristo and Louise Doughty. Her debut novel *ALL US SINNERS* was winner of the ILP John Creasey Dagger 2025.
- **AUTHENTIC VOICE:** The novel draws on family experiences for **extraordinary authenticity** and insight into Leeds during the Yorkshire Ripper attacks: Katy's own mother was a sex worker there during this period.
- **CHARACTER-LED, QUALITY CRIME FICTION:** For readers of authors such as Femi Kayode (*Lightseekers*, 280 HB TCM, 11,766 B), Belinda Bauer (*Exit*, 1,084 HB TCM, 36,660 B), Chris Whitaker (*We Begin at the End*, 669 HB TCM, 65,175 B), and Denise Mina (*Conviction*, 2,916 HB TCM, 11,955 B).

Reviews

- 'Powerful, provocative, beautiful and unforgettable. *All Us Sinners* is a chilling, moving, majestic debut and **Katy Massey is a wonderful storyteller**' - Chris Whitaker
- 'A masterful debut crime novel... Clever and compelling' - *Woman & Home*
- 'I loved this. It takes a **fresh and moving** look at a series of crimes we all think we know well. The writing is terrific, conveying the fear and the grief of the women who lived through this with tender respect.' - Emma Flint
- 'A gripping and important story imbued with suspense, giving voice to the forgotten women in the gruesome shadows of the Yorkshire Ripper' - Diana Evans

Author Biography

Katy was a journalist for 15 years before studying for an MA and PhD in Creative Writing from Newcastle University. Her memoir, *Are we home yet?* was published in 2020 and shortlisted for the Jhalak Prize and the Portico Prize. In addition, her fiction and nonfiction has been widely anthologised, including *Common People* edited by Kit de Waal, *The Place*



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The White Crow

The astounding new thriller from the prize-winning author

Michael Robotham

Keynote

The new thriller from the No.1 bestseller and Richard & Judy Pick author

Description

<h2>The No.1 bestseller returns with a nail-biting new PC Phil McCarthy book. If you loved *When You Are Mine* or are hunting for thrillers that make you think and feel, you won't want to miss this.</h2>

As a police officer and the daughter of a London crime boss, Philomena McCarthy's loyalties are torn between two worlds.

When she discovers a child wandering the streets during a night-time patrol, she's catapulted into the scene of a home invasion. Meanwhile, across London a jeweller is found strapped to an explosive in his ransacked store.

As it becomes clear the crimes are linked, suspicion falls on Phil's own father. With her lives colliding, Phil's career and family face the ultimate threat.

But who can she trust - the badge, or her own blood?

'Another tour de force from Michael Robotham. He is so good at humanising his characters - even the nasty ones' LINWOOD BARCLAY

'Everyone is so beautifully drawn - you tear through the pages hoping they can be trusted' LAINIE ANDERSON

'Grips like a vice and twists like a rollercoaster. Impossibly clever. Impossible to put down!' ***** READER REVIEW

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STORM CHILD was a No.1 print bestseller in Australia 04.07.24

Sales Points

- **A GLOBAL BESTSELLER:** Michael's books have sold **8.5 million copies**, been published in **26 languages** and *The White Crow* was his **seventh consecutive No. 1 in Australia**
- **FROM BOOK TO SCREEN:** Michael's book *The Secrets She Keeps* has been made into two BBC series, *The Suspect* has been adapted by ITV, Park Chan-wook is attached to direct a movie of *Life or Death*, and a **Philomena McCarthy TV series is currently in development by Filmnation**
- **CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED:** Michael has won **three Dagger Awards** from the Crime Writers' Association and had a **Richard & Judy Book Club Pick** - and is a favourite among fellow crime writers
- **A DAZZLING NEW SERIES:** Michael's characters are guaranteed to hook readers in, and this book will cement **Philomena McCarthy** as the new reader favourite, who first appeared in ***When You Are Mine* (135k copies sold across formats)** and who is expected to **hit TV screens soon**

Reviews

- **'PRAISE FOR THE WHITE CROW'** - -
- 'I raced through *The White Crow*. It's another tour de force from Michael Robotham. He is so good at humanising his characters - even the nasty ones' - LINWOOD BARCLAY
- **'PRAISE FOR MICHAEL ROBOTHAM'** - -
- 'An absolute master' - STEPHEN KING
- 'Jaw-dropping' - *THE SUNDAY TIMES*

Author Biography

Michael Robotham is a former feature writer and investigative reporter, who has worked in Britain, Australia and America.

His debut thriller, *The Suspect*, introduced clinical psychologist Joe O'Loughlin and sold more than a million copies around the world, launching a nine-book series. It has been adapted into an ITV series starring Aidan Turner. Michael's standalone thriller *The Secrets She Keeps* has also been the basis of two BBC TV series.

He has twice won the prestigious UK Crime Writers' Association Gold Dagger Award for best crime novel, as well as the Ian Fleming Steel Dagger for *When She Was Good*, a Richard & Judy Book Club pick.

Michael lives in Sydney.



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El Dorado Drive

Winner of the LA Times Mystery/Thriller Book Prize 2026

Megan Abbott

Keynote

From bestselling writer Megan Abbott: a story about three sisters who join an exclusive club which promises to empower and enrich its members, but will actually put them in mortal danger...

Description

The International Bestseller

Named a Best Book of the Year by *Irish Times*, *Elle*, *Crime Reads* and *Library Journal*

A finalist for the *Los Angeles Times* Book Prize - Mystery/Thriller

'A thrilling, clever and powerful story of family, class, money and morality. Megan Abbott is a phenomenal storyteller' **CHRIS WHITAKER**

'Suspenseful, beautifully written and, quite simply, exquisite' **GILLIAN FLYNN**

'A smart, twisty, and riveting family drama' **KARIN SLAUGHTER**

'Intoxicating contemporary noir' **IRISH TIMES BOOKS OF THE YEAR**

'A brutally well-observed suburban thriller' **MAIL ON SUNDAY**

All I want is to be innocent again...

Pam, Debra and Harper grew up rich and privileged in Detroit's heyday, when the city's auto industry was booming. Now in middle age, their fortunes have run out: Debra's husband needs expensive medical treatment. Pam is in the middle of a nasty divorce. And Harper has a big debt and a big secret.

In desperate need of money, support and a way to restart their lives, the sisters join the Wheel, a women's 'investment club' that promises both relief and a path to financial independence. As the Wheel turns, the money flows, the stakes get higher - and then a shocking murder tears everything apart.

'As much a smart family drama and exploration of class as it is a thriller' **THE i PAPER**

'A modern master' **WASHINGTON POST**

'Tense, chilling and beautifully written, *El Dorado Drive* is an absolute knockout' **HARLAN COBEN**

'Suspenseful as all hell but also beautifully observed' **DENNIS LEHANE**

'An incisive evisceration of the American Dream, served up as a noirish novel about sisters, envy, and innocence. Exhilarating, explosive and hugely entertaining' **SARAH HILARY**

Sales Points

- **CRITICAL ACCLAIM:** Terrific reviews and named a Best Book of Summer by the *Los Angeles Times*, *Boston Globe*, *The New York Times*, *CrimeReads*, and more!
- **ZEITGEISTY THEMES:** The themes of this novel - money, class, women in mid-life, the American dream - feel spot on and the novel is much more set in the real world than her last
- **PEER SUPPORT:** Brilliant endorsements from writers including Chris Whitaker, Gillian Flynn and Karin Slaughter

Reviews

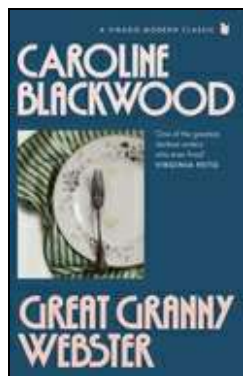
- **'Megan Abbott is quite rightly considered to be psycho thriller royalty'** - *Daily Mail*
- **'A literary rock star'** - *RILEY SAGER*, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The House Across the Lake*
- **'Always essential reading'** - *Irish Times*
- **'Nobody, but nobody does creeping dread like Abbott does'** - *Sam Baker*

Author Biography

Megan Abbott is the Edgar-winning author of the novels *Beware the Woman*, *The Turnout*, *Give Me Your Hand*, *You Will Know Me*, *The Fever*, *Dare Me*, *The End of Everything*, *Bury Me Deep*, *Queenpin*, *The Song Is You* and *Die a Little*.

Her writing has appeared in the *New York Times*, *Salon*, the *Guardian*, *Wall Street Journal*, the *Los Angeles Times Magazine*, and *The Believer*. Her stories have appeared in multiple collections, including the *Best American Mystery Stories* of 2014 and 2016.

Her work has won or been nominated for the CWA Steel Dagger, the International Thriller Writers Award, the Los Angeles Times Book Prize and five Edgar awards. Formerly a staff



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Great Granny Webster

Caroline Blackwood

Keynote

Caroline Blackwood's masterpiece - a macabre, blackly funny, partly autobiographical novel about a decaying and dysfunctional aristocratic family, with a new introduction by John Banville

Description

Caroline Blackwood's masterpiece, shortlisted for the 1977 Booker Prize - a gothic family drama in miniature

In her gloomy mausoleum of a home, the terrifying matriarch Great Granny Webster spends her days sitting bolt upright in a Victorian chair, entirely alone except for her one-eyed maid - and her orphaned great-granddaughter, sent to stay for the sea air. She presides over three generations of ill-fated women, and a twisted family history which spools back through hedonistic 20s London to a crumbling aristocratic pile where two children are kept silently hidden in a distant wing.

This macabre, viciously funny, partly autobiographical novel cuts to the bone of a dysfunctional dynasty, and captures Blackwood at her pitch-black best.

'One of the greatest, darkest writers who ever lived' **Virginia Feito**

'Caroline Blackwood sits firmly alongside the greats like Shirley Jackson and Patricia Highsmith' **Araminta Hall**

'Idiosyncratic, dark and extremely funny' **Lucy Scholes**

'Shocking, brilliant, and wickedly funny, Great Granny Webster is Caroline Blackwood's best book. In the monstrous old dowager of Hove, and the ruling class she represents, Blackwood found a subject grandly commensurate with her own extraordinary style of aghast relish' **Jonathan Raban**

'A unique literary experience' **Philip Larkin**

'Great Granny Webster feels more like a memoir than a novel...but it is as gripping as a whodunit' **TLS**

'Full of genuine black humour' **London Review of Books**

Sales Points

- **CAROLINE BLACKWOOD'S MASTERPIECE:** Shortlisted for the Booker Prize in 1977, this slim, vicious, blackly funny novel is inspired by Blackwood's own childhood, and dissects a dysfunctional aristocratic family through four of its female members.
- **A NEW FAVOURITE ON THE VMC LIST:** Our striking package and stand-out campaign for *The Fate of Mary Rose*, which garnered over 14 reviews across the press, has established Caroline Blackwood as a major rediscovery in the modern classics market. Readers who loved *Mary Rose* and *The Stepdaughter* will adore the pitch-black humour of *Great Granny Webster*.
- **FASCINATING BIOGRAPHY:** Caroline Blackwood herself is a fascinating figure, with a life story made for PR features - she was heiress to the Guinness fortune and had turbulent marriages to Lucian Freud, Israel Citkowitz and Robert Lowell. *Great Granny Webster* is semi-autobiographical and sheds a fascinating light on her bizarre upbringing.

Reviews

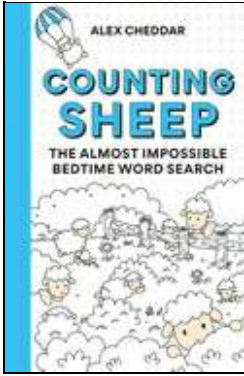
- 'Matriarchal relations are haunted by a phantom man - in this case a father - but the narrator is all eye and ear, the better to capture the indelible characters of Granny Webster and Aunt Lavinia. The book is full of genuine black humour' - Ange Mlinko, *London Review of Books*
- 'Blackwood's works delve deeply into complicated, ugly relationships between women, something that is especially fascinating when the author herself was defined throughout her lifetime by her marriages to high-profile men. Persistently, Caroline Blackwood is hailed through the ages as the ultimate muse-which is a disgrace. She should be hailed as one of the greatest, darkest writers who ever lived' - Virginia Feito, author of *MRS MARCH*
- 'Shocking, brilliant, and wickedly funny, *Great Granny Webster* is Caroline Blackwood's best book' - Jonathan Raban

Author Biography

Caroline Blackwood (1931-1996) was born into a rich Anglo-Irish aristocratic family. She rebelled against her background at an early age and led a hectic and bohemian life, which included marriages to the painter Lucian Freud, the pianist and composer Israel Citkowitz, and the poet Robert Lowell, who described her as 'a mermaid who dines upon the bones of her winded lovers'. In the 1970s Blackwood began to write. Her novel *Great Granny Webster* was shortlisted for the 1977 Booker Prize.

Market

Fans of THE FATE OF MARY ROSE, Molly Keane, Shirley Jackson and Barbara Comyns



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Counting Sheep The Almost Impossible Bedtime Word Search Alex Cheddar

Keynote

The impossible bedtime wordsearch from creators of *Find The Fox* and *20,000 Cows*.

Description

The impossible bedtime wordsearch from creators of *Find The Fox* and *20,000 Cows*.

Counting Sheep is a brand new wordsearch book taking a playful twist on the classic "counting sheep" ritual. Instead of lulling you to sleep, you'll be wide awake hunting down **thousands of sneaky sheep** scattered across **200 puzzles** - hidden behind trees, disguised as clouds, and causing mischief throughout every bucolic scene...

Each puzzle pairs a charming illustration with a tricky word search on the facing page. The cozy countryside backdrop stays the same, but those clever sheep keep changing places, making every search a fresh challenge.

Think this will help you drift off? Think again. It's perfect for anyone who loves a bit of bedtime mischief, a healthy dose of frustration, and a good old-fashioned puzzle marathon. Ideal for sheep lovers, night owls, and puzzle fanatics alike.

Why you'll love *Count the Sheep*:

Brain Teaser on Steroids: Ideal for anyone who thinks regular word searches are for wimps. This is the Everest of word searches, and you're climbing it with no gear.

One Black Sheep: Spot the elusive Black Sheep hiding somewhere in the flock for an extra twist.

Great for Gifting (and Gloating): Know someone who brags about their puzzle-solving skills? Give them this book and watch the smugness evaporate

Conversation Starter: Leave it on your coffee table, and it's guaranteed to spark conversation. Mainly, 'Why on earth do you have this?'

Ready for a woolly good time? Grab your copy and prepare for a sleepless night... **for flock's sake!**

Sales Points

- **GREAT FOR GIFTING:** Do you have any particularly stubborn friends or relatives that would be brave enough to take on an insurmountable challenge? Then this will make a great gag gift that's sure to provide countless hours of entertainment.
- **COMP TITLES:** Previous titles from the same creators, *20,000 Cows* and *Find The Fox* have sold over 15,000 and 10,000 copies respectively.
- **MARKET DATA:** Word search books consistently rank among the top-selling puzzle books on major retail sites like Amazon.

Author Biography

Are you looking for a normal book? Turn back now, because Alex Cheddar is seriously unhinged. His creations blend the stale world of puzzles with the surreal. Think Picasso. Think Dali. Now forget them because Alex is not a painter. But don't let that dissuade you, because his creations will create a vivid picture in your mind. A picture of hatred for the person sadistic enough to devise these devilish puzzles.

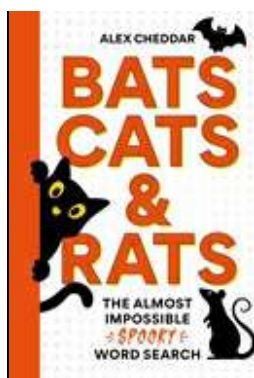
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Bats, Cats and Rats The Almost Impossible Spooky Wordsearch

Alex Cheddar

Keynote

From the creators of *20,000 Cows* and *Find the Fox* comes a spooky new word search designed to drive you utterly bonkers this Halloween.

Description

A devilishly difficult word search adventure guaranteed to drive you bonkers this Halloween!

Can you find 10 sneaky cats hidden in the grid? How about 30 clever rats lurking in plain sight? Or 70 mysterious bats fluttering through the letters? Each page challenges you with a different critter - and the number to spot grows as you go.

Think you have sharp eyes? Think again. You'll be squinting, second-guessing, and questioning your life choices as you navigate through grid after grid of letter chaos.

Cats, Bats, and Rats is a 200-page fiendish journey where these spooky words can appear horizontally, vertically, or diagonally, forwards or backwards. No hints, no bite-sized puzzles, no answer key - just pure, unfiltered word search madness.

Why you'll love it (or at least enjoy watching others struggle):

Ultimate Test of Patience: Perfect for those who love a challenge that pushes frustration to the limit.

Brain Teaser on Steroids: Not your average word search-this is the Everest of puzzles, and you're climbing without gear.

Great for Gifting (and Gloating): Know a puzzle whiz? Hand them this book and watch their confidence crumble.

Conversation Starter: Leave it out and watch guests wonder, "Why do you have this madness on your coffee table?"

Ready to dive in? The hunt begins now - if you dare...

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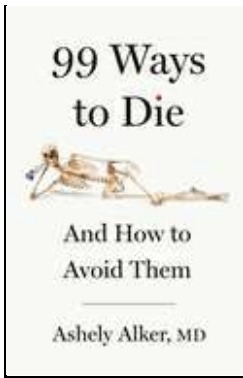
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99 Ways to Die And how to avoid them

Ashely Alker MD

Keynote

An illuminating, hilarious and practical guide to 99 of the most terrifying ways to die and how to avoid them from an emergency doctor.

Description

A greatest hits tour of death, *99 Ways to Die* is a curation of all the ways you can possibly die, from hypertension to hippopotamus gouging and from altitude sickness to anthrax.

As an emergency medicine doctor, Dr. Ashely Alker has spent a career outwitting death. Drawing on stories from her life and medical practice, she takes readers on a journey through A&E that manages to be both compassionate and darkly hilarious, covering lethal agents including sex, poison, drugs, biological warfare, disease, animals, crime, the elements, and much more. Learn that the parasite of the schistosome fresh water snail caused such widespread blood in the urine that Ancient Egyptians thought it was a sign of male menstruation, Nero used to poison enemies with naturally occurring cyanide found in cherry pips, and that hippos can run at 30 miles an hour and kill 500 fisherman a year.

Dr Alker's *99 Ways to Die* is shocking, laugh-out-loud funny and it might just save your life.

Sales Points

- **TRANSLATIONS:** Rights have already been sold in Czech Republic, Poland and Russia.
- **POPULAR GENRE:** Entertaining popular science genre is having a moment; with Adam Kay's *This is Going to Hurt* selling more than 1m copies, and *Bad Science* by Ben Goldacre selling 350k copies.
- **EYE-CATCHING TITLE:** The title has a great promise which will work well in bookshops.
- **EXPERT VOICE:** Ashely Alker is a highly experienced emergency medicine physician and Harvard graduate who has practiced medicine all over the world, from working in humanitarian affairs at the Unit for the Rehabilitation of Victims of Torture in Cyprus, to serving as a healthcare advisor for a U.S. Congressman.

Author Biography

Ashely Alker, MD, MSc, is an emergency medicine physician on a mission to improve public health. While completing her master's degree, Dr. Alker studied at Harvard School of Public Health's multinational institute in Cyprus, where she lived near the United Nations Green Zone and worked in humanitarian affairs at the Unit for the Rehabilitation of Victims of Torture. After graduating from the George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences, Dr. Alker served as a healthcare advisor for a member of the US Congress.

During her residency in emergency medicine at the University of California San Diego, Dr. Alker became a technical consultant and medical screenwriter, improving medical accuracy on over twenty shows, including TV and film for Netflix, Hulu, HBO, and Disney. Her nonprofit, Meaningful Media, connects writers, artists, and reporters with certified public health experts to develop scientifically accurate messaging.

You can visit Dr. Alker online at AAlkerMD.com.

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Catch the Devil A True Story of Murder, Deception and Injustice in the American South

Pamela Colloff

Keynote

The gripping true story of a serial con man whose lies condemned a man to death row by award-winning New York Times Magazine writer Pamela Colloff.

Description

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'Incendiary, emotionally devastating. [This] is a feat of dogged reporting, bravura storytelling, and clear-eyed moral conscience.' -Patrick Radden Keefe, author of *Say Nothing* and *London Falling*

For more than three decades, Paul Skalnik roamed the southern states of America lying about who he was. He passed himself off as a fighter pilot, a high-rolling oilman, a criminal defense attorney, an undercover agent, and a terminal cancer patient. In these guises he married nine women-some at the same time - and scammed them out of their money.

When Skalnik got caught, as he invariably did, he would run a different con. Locked up with other men awaiting trial, he claimed they confessed their crimes to him. Then he peddled those stories to prosecutors. In Florida, he became a frequent witness for the state, thinking nothing of exaggerating men's wrongdoing or implicating the innocent to help prosecutors win convictions. In return, the state rewarded him with his freedom, fueling his growing sense of invincibility. Soon he was not just committing fraud; he was preying on girls in their teens or barely into adolescence.

In 1985, Jim Dailey, a down-on-his-luck Vietnam veteran, was implicated in the murder of a 14-year-old girl and landed in jail with Skalnik. Despite a total lack of forensic evidence, Skalnik's account of Dailey's "confession" was enough to put Dailey on death row where he still waits, four decades later.

In this mesmerizing debut, Pamela Colloff spins a dark tale of a remorseless and brilliant liar made lethal by a system more concerned with winning convictions than finding the truth.

'A fiery indictment... portrays the banality of evil in our time.' -STARRED Kirkus review

Sales Points

- **COMP:** This is a brilliantly, intricately written true crime narrative in the style of PATRICK RADDEN KEEFE (over 200k TCM) and DAVID GRANN. (over 300k TCM), both US journalists writing for the same publications. Other comps include I'LL BE GONE IN THE DARK (40k paperback TCM) and MIDNIGHT IN THE GARDEN OF GOOD AND EVIL (70k paperback TCM), THE NEW JIM CROW (7.5k paperback TCM), about the failures of the US justice system, and THE PEEPSHOW (2024 - 10k hardback TCM, 5k paperback TCM), which is true crime meets miscarriage of justice.
- **BRILLIANT AUTHOR CREDIBILITY:** Pamela Colloff is an award-winning writer at *The New York Times Magazine*. She has won two National Magazine Awards and a Hillman Prize for her journalism. The American justice system has been a focus of her work for over a decade and a half; in 2011 an inmate on death row who was wrongfully convicted was freed in part due to Colloff's writing. Her research is incredibly meticulous and she adeptly weaves together the different strands of the story to produce a narrative that is engrossing, intricate and precise.
- **GENUINE NEWS APPEAL:** There are two central characters in the book - one being Jim Dailey who to this day is still on death row and could be executed at any point, meaning this book is guaranteed to generate buzz in the US.
- **FEMALE VIOLENCE STRAND:** *Catch the Devil* is also about male violence against women and the way that the justice system is failing to prevent it. Pamela writes with huge empathy for the women in the story -14-year-old Shelley Boggio and Paul Skalnik's victims - and, in a true-crime market dominated by male writers, makes sure the women's stories are heard too.

Author Biography

PAMELA COLLOFF is a reporter at ProPublica and a staff writer at The New York Times Magazine. She was the recipient of a National Magazine Award for Reporting in 2020 and for Feature Writing in 2013. Her work has been anthologized in Best American Magazine Writing, Best American Crime Reporting, and Next Wave: America's New Generation of Great Literary Journalists. Colloff holds a bachelor's degree in English from Brown University. She lives in Austin, Texas, with her husband and their two children.



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Among the Giants A Year at Kew's Arboretum (Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew)

Carolyn Fry and Christina Harrison

Keynote

A fascinating insight the life of trees at Kew Gardens - and those who care for them - over the course of a year.

Description

As you wander through the gardens at Kew, stretching across two-thirds of the grounds lies the arboretum. This great collection contains trees as old as the Gardens themselves, many that cannot be found anywhere else in Britain. It is a unique spectacle, full of luscious species, towering redwoods, and hidden life within its branches.

Throughout the year, you'll find the protectors of this mighty collection. Named the Tree Gang, this team of eight care for the trees across the whole of Kew Gardens. From their daily tree assessments to the intermittent tree felling, journey with the gang to discover why the gang's work is more crucial than ever.

AMONG THE GIANTS shares heartwarming stories alongside the fascinating insights into the secret life of trees and how they change throughout the seasons - all from the comfort of your armchair.

Sales Points

- **Strong reputation:** Kew Gardens is the UK's most popular garden and one of England's top visitor attraction. It had over 2 million visitors last year and every month there are 370k searches for Royal Botanic Gardens. A recent study also found Kew the 'most instagrammable' garden in the world with over 750k hashtags.
- **Excellent social media following:** Over 1 million followers across their social platforms, including 537k Instagram, 158k Twitter, 262k Facebook. And we know Kew promote - their press team are brilliant and push their books across their platforms.
- **Interest in Kew:** Channel 5's six-part show *Kew Gardens: A Year in Bloom* had about 800k-1m average viewers per episode. Like the book idea, the TV show goes behind the scenes with the gardeners to find out more about their day-to-day work.
- **Strong market for in-depth gardening books:** Narrative books on gardening, written with intelligence and depth that interweave science and story, have proven especially successful: Dave Goulson's *The Garden Jungle* (28k TCM), Monty Don's *My Garden World* (125k) and Penelope Lively's *Life in the Garden* (24k).

Author Biography

Carolyn Fry is a science and environment writer and editor based in West Sussex, UK. She has written/co-authored 11 books on environmental and historical themes, and appeared in the BBC 2 documentary 'Cruikshank on Kew: The garden that changed the world', to explain how plants were used to build the British Empire. Carolyn has also contributed news stories and articles to *New Scientist*, *The Times*, *The Guardian*, *The Independent*, *BBC History*, *BBC Earth*, *BBC Wildlife* and more. She is a former Editor of *Geographical*, the Royal Geographical Society's magazine. She has worked on a number of title for Kew and most recently published *Trees: 10 Things You Should Know* (Seven Dials).

Christina Harrison is the former editor of Kew Magazine. She trained as an ecologist and botanical horticulturalist and has an MA in Garden History, for which she specialised in the trees at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew. She is author or co-author of several books including *Remarkable Trees* (Thames & Hudson).

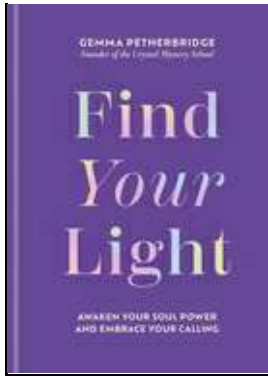
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Find Your Light Awaken Your Soul Power and Embrace Your Calling Gemma Petherbridge

Keynote

A lightworker's guide to awakening your soul power and finding your true purpose.

Description

Awaken your soul. Embrace your light. Step fully into your purpose.

Your soul came here with a mission, and this book will help you remember what it is.

In this beautifully illustrated and accessible guide, internationally renowned speaker and energy healer Gemma Petherbridge illuminates the transformative power of lightwork. Lightwork is a powerful tool for personal growth, enabling you to create lasting, positive change - both for yourself and for others. By channelling high-frequency vibrations known as light language, you'll learn how to shift energy, activate healing and align with your soul's higher path.

Whether you're just beginning your spiritual journey or ready to deepen your practice, this comprehensive modern guide offers the tools, insights and rituals you need to reconnect with your inner light.

Inside, you'll discover how to:

- Unlock emotional, physical and energetic healing
- Release trapped emotions and ancestral trauma
- Open your intuition and awaken your spiritual gifts
- Heal blocked or overactive chakras
- Work with crystals, essential oils, reiki and sound healing
- Strengthen your connection to the Universe and your soul mission

It's time to raise your vibration, trust your gifts and live your light with purpose.

Sales Points

- **A popular MBS topic:** #lightworker has 7.7m posts on Instagram and 724.1k posts on TikTok, and lightwork has been the subject of online articles in *Thought Catalog* (January 2024), *Medium* (2019) and *WikiHow* (July 2024).
- **Time for a fresh new take:** The main comp is Rebecca Campbell's *Light is the New Black* (2015, over 23,700 copies sold via TCM as of June 2025) but this was published 10 years ago so there is space for a new approach.
- **A beautiful visual package:** Gemma's previous book *The Crystal Apothecary* (2022, net life UK sales of over 34,700 via Genesis, net life global sales of over 44,200 via Genesis and over 9,300 copies sold via TCM) is a good comp for format and package, giving a beautiful, illustrated treatment to a perennial MBS subject.
- **Connections in the MBS space:** In April 2025 Gemma taught a 2-session virtual workshop at The College of Psychic Studies called The Light Language: Energetic Codes for Spiritual Growth & Transformation. She also hosted talks on the main stage of the 2025 Mind Body Spirit Festivals in London and Birmingham, a festival for which she regularly teaches.

Author Biography

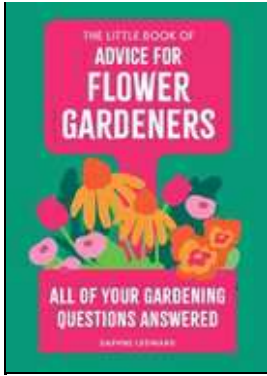
Gemma Petherbridge has always had one foot in the esoteric world. Growing up amid the mystical landscapes of Stonehenge and Avebury, she discovered she was psychic from a young age. But it wasn't until the profound loss of both her parents in her early twenties that her dreams of a corporate career gave way to a deeper calling-a need to explore life's bigger questions. Now, two decades on, Gemma is an international speaker on energy healing, holding over 27 qualifications across a wide range of spiritually therapeutic modalities. She is the founder of The Crystal Mystery School, an online academy offering live, accredited training in disciplines such as Crystal Healing, Akashic Records Reading and Cacao Facilitator Training. Having transitioned from healer to teacher, she has now taught and inspired thousands of people worldwide. Crystals remain one of Gemma's greatest passions. With three published crystal books to her name, she is currently writing her fourth-this time inspired by the wisdom and mission of Lightworkers.

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The Little Book of Advice for Flower Gardeners All of your gardening questions answered

Daphne Ledward

Keynote

An indispensable little book to help you get the most from your garden all year round, and answer your most pressing questions.

Description

My garden is my most beautiful masterpiece. - Claude Monet

In the multifaceted world of gardening, the same questions arise time and time again: how can I ensure my flowers bloom beautifully and often? When and how should I plant my garden to get the best results?

The Little Book of Advice for Flower Gardeners will guide you with time-honoured, practical advice, whether you're planting gardens that you hope will explode with colour year after year, or simply taking your first steps developing the green fingers that will allow you to grow your own blooms.

Packed full of tips and easy-to-follow advice to help gardeners enhance their skills, develop new ones and answer questions such as, what sort of soil is best for your garden, how to select the right flowers for your space, and most importantly, how to nurture, care for and grow your garden or allotment year after year.

Chapters include:

- Spring
- Summer
- Autumn
- Winter

Also available: *The Little Book of Advice for Fruit & Veg Gardeners*

Sales Points

- Gardening is a perennial subject that is popular across all age ranges, from older readers tending beloved gardens, to younger readers conscious of where the food they eat comes from and have taken on inner-city allotments to grow fresh produce.
- Beautifully designed gift book, packed full of essential information. With an affordable price point *The Little Book of Advice for Flower Gardeners* will work either as spontaneous self-purchase or gifts suitable for budding gardeners.
- Drawing on her years of experience in gardening, former panellist and researcher for the BBC's *Gardeners Question Time* Daphne Ledward answers each question, helping gardeners quickly find practical solutions to the problems they're facing. With tips for everything from growing vegetables, getting plants through the winter, planting in pots and raised beds, and greenhouses this book has useful information for all gardeners, no matter what kind of space they are working with.
- Comparative titles: *RHS Little Book of Small-Space Gardening* by Kay Maguire (Mitchell Beazley), £14.99, HB, April 2018, LT TCM - 8.9K vol and *RHS Little Book of Cut Flower Gardening* by Holly Farrell (Mitchell Beazley), £14.99, HB, May 2023, LT TCM - 1.2K vol

Author Biography

Daphne Ledward is a prolific writer and broadcaster on all aspects of gardening. She started her gardening career with BBC Radio Lincolnshire and has been a regular panellist on BBC Radio 4's *Gardeners' Question Time* and Classic FM's *Gardening Forum* for 18 months. She has also appeared on television programmes such as *Gardeners' Direct Line* (BBC 1), *By Day* (Sky 1), *Homes and Gardens Livetime* (Granada Breeze), *Grass Roots* (Meridian) and *How Does Your Garden Grow?* (UK Style/BBC 2), and was the gardening 'expert' on Radio 2's *Jimmy Young Show*.



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Author living in	Lincolnshire, UK

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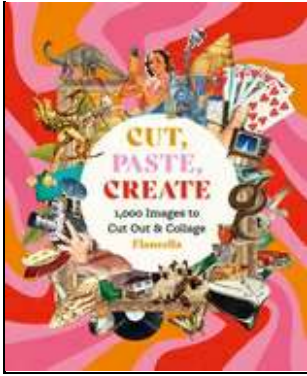
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Cut, Paste, Create 1,000 Images to Cut Out & Collage

Flanzella

Keynote

Discover a magical cabinet of collage curiosities with over 1000 images to cut out and create your own masterpieces with, from birthday cards to vision boards.

Description

Create your own masterpieces with this magical cabinet of collage curiosities including 1,000 stunning images.

Make your own greetings cards, mood boards, posters, artwork, or decoupage furniture and objects to display, all without the need to cut up existing books and rifle through magazines for images.

Celebrated collage artist Flanzella guides you through tips and tricks, finding inspiration and step-by-step instructions for how to create your own collages. Featuring everything from botanicals, animals and people to objects, food and backgrounds, *Cut, Paste, Create* has all you need to unlock your creativity and create amazing artworks.

Sales Points

- Laurence King's *Extraordinary Things to Cut Out and Collage* has sold over 12,000 copies in the UK and 8000 in the US.
- Surrealism was one of Pinterest Predict's 2025 trends, showing how the eclectic and strange, captured by collage, is ever popular.
- *Harper's Bazaar*, *Vogue* and *Rolling Stone* all cite the popularity of junk journalling for harbouring creativity and calm in a digital world. This book provides the perfect material bank for collaging in junk journals.
- Vision boards - collaging images to manifest future goals - are a yearly trend, growing in popularity on TikTok with 1.5M posts.
- Pinterest - the ultimate source of inspiration and platform for digital collages and vision boards - has 3.1M followers on Instagram.

Author Biography

Flanzella is a Toronto-born, Dallas, TX-based collage artist. After years of making collages, she opened an online shop in 2020, now selling over 100+ surreal collage artworks. She has a popular YouTube channel with over 10K subscribers talking through her inspiration, processes and giving tips and techniques. @flanzella

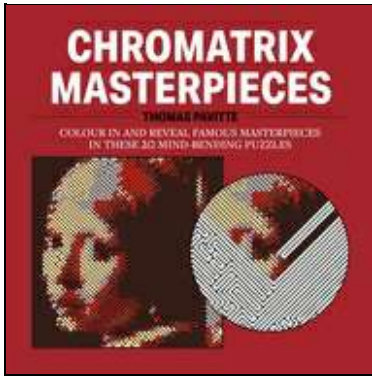
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Chromatrix Masterpieces

Colour in and reveal famous masterpieces in these 20 mind-bending puzzles

Thomas Pavitte

Keynote

A new colouring puzzle concept from Thomas Pavitte, bestselling author of the *Spiroglyphics*, *Querkles* and *Dot-to-Dot* series with potential to become a new series.

Description

Chromatrix is the latest unique colouring activity puzzle book from bestselling author and puzzle artist Thomas Pavitte.

Colour between the lines to reveal a famous painting.

Each work starts as featureless continuous line, and as you colour between the lines in the required colour you reveal a famous masterpiece.

The perfect blend of colour-by-numbers, dot-to-dot and drawing activity and puzzle books, this is a new drawing concept to reveal beautiful paintings for creative puzzle fans.

Sales Points

- **STRONG SALES:** Thomas Pavitte's previous series have sold incredibly strongly, with *Spiroglyphics* selling 210,000 copies to date and *Querkles* selling 569,000 copies to date.
- **GREAT GIFT:** Great as a gift, each puzzle is quick and easy to complete with forgiving lines so it will still look great, even if their colouring isn't the neatest.
- **UNIQUE CONCEPT:** Thomas Pavitte's unique puzzles have done well previously and this new concept brings a new puzzle book to his existing audience and fans of puzzle colouring titles.

Author Biography

Thomas Pavitte's unique talent is creating activity puzzles that result in something truly extraordinary. His 1000 Dot-to-Dot books and Querkles colouring books have become international best-sellers, enjoyed by creative puzzle fans the world over, with millions of copies in print.

Constantly exploring new graphic ideas, Thomas lives in Melbourne, Australia, and shares his work at **thomasmakesstuff.com**.

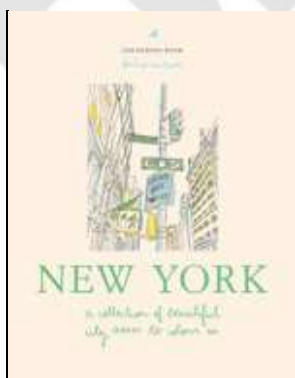
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Binding	Hardback
Format	hardback
Depth	20mm
Extent	92 pages
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Series	Zoé de Las Cases colouring books
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
Book locale	New York
Author living in	Paris, France

Zoé de Las Cases New York

A collection of beautiful city scenes to colour in

Zoé de Las Cases

Keynote

A beautiful collection of New York scenes to colour in, from French designer and decorator Zoé de Las Cases, in the same series as *Paris* and *Chez Moi* and from the creator of *Secret New York*.

Description

A beautiful collection of more than 40 New York scenes to colour in, from French designer and decorator Zoé de Las Cases.

Enter the charming world of Zoé de Las Cases and rediscover the joy of colouring. Inspired by snapshots of the timeless city, this colouring book of 42 drawings is a curated selection of trendy scenes from around the city, from Brooklyn to Harlem, Coney Island to the Upper West Side.

With thick, creamy paper and coloured thread binding on an open spine - meaning the book lays flat for ease for colouring - *New York* is a beautiful gift for anyone in love with the Big Apple. This joyful ode to the city that never sleeps is effortlessly cool, stylish and sure to make you smile as you pick up your pens and pencils and bring the streets of New York to life.

Sales Points

- **BEAUTIFUL PACKAGE:** With coloured thread binding, thick, creamy paper and an unusual open spine (meaning the book lays flat for ease of colouring), this colouring book stands out as special compared to other products on the market.
- **TRACK RECORD:** Mitchell Beazley have an excellent track record publishing high-end colouring books; the *Vogue Colouring Book* has sold more than 180k copies across its UK and US editions.
- **POPULAR BRAND:** Zoé de las Cases is a French brand with international appeal - her colouring and lifestyle books have been successful in France and abroad, and @zoedelascases has 235K Instagram followers.
- **TREND-LED TOPIC:** Embracing the perennially popular New York aesthetic, this colouring book is the perfect gift for fans of *Sex and the City* or *Gossip Girl*, or anyone who loves to visit the city that never sleeps.

Author Biography

Zoé de Las Cases is an illustrator, graphic designer and interiors decorator. She cultivates an art of living that combines a sense of style and decoration, in a joyful, playful and colourful universe. Zoé is the author of many books, including her popular adult colouring books which have seen great success both in France and internationally. She regularly collaborates with brands and creates stationery and home decorations under the Zoé de Las Cases brand. She lives with her husband and children between Paris and Normandy.

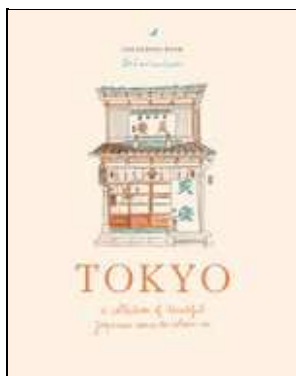
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Zoé de Las Cases Tokyo

A collection of beautiful Japanese scenes to colour in

Zoé de Las Cases

Keynote

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Description

A beautiful collection of more than 40 Japanese scenes to colour in, from French designer and decorator Zoé de Las Cases.

Enter the charming world of Zoé de Las Cases and rediscover the joy of colouring. Inspired by snapshots of the beautiful city of Tokyo, this colouring book of 42 drawings is a curated selection of atmospheric scenes, from cult ramen bars to delicate ceramics, traditional geishas to lucky cats.

With thick, creamy paper and coloured thread binding on an open spine - meaning the book lays flat for ease for colouring - *Tokyo* is a beautiful gift for anyone wishing to soak up the everyday beauty that Japan has to offer. This joyful ode to Japanese culture is elegant, calming and sure to make you smile as you pick up your pens and pencils and bring the pages to life.

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The Hottest Girl at Burn Camp How to Survive a Fire and A Chaotic Upbringing (Without Losing Your Sense of Humour)

Krystal Evans

Keynote

A witty, insightful and inspiring memoir from the rising-star comedian about coping with an unimaginable tragedy and rising from the ashes

Description

A wonderful book, I don't expect to read a better memoir for a very long time.'
ROBERT WEBB, author of How Not To Be A Boy

'Funny and heart breaking in equal measure' FERN BRADY, author of Strong Female Character

'The guiltiest of literary pleasures: a memoir that you open with trepidation and stay up til 6am to finish' KATE SPICER, author of Lost Dog.

'Compelling, edgy and always hilarious. Absolutely essential reading.' **JOSIE LONG**

When Krystal Evans was 14, the house that she shared with her mother and little sister burned down. Narrowly escaping by breaking a window and jumping out head-first Krystal suffered burns, smoke inhalation, and the unimaginable tragedy of losing her sister. That Evans has written such a warm and disarmingly funny memoir about what led the family to that fatal night, and how they coped with its aftermath, is nothing less than astonishing.

This is a spellbinding story of growing up poor in America, living with a mentally ill mother, and having a wolf for a pet (really). From the indignities of being rejected from a summer camp for burn victims, to putting up with a succession of her mom's increasingly shady friends and partners, Krystal and Katie's childhoods were marked by adult chaos, inappropriate behaviour, and never knowing what the next day would bring.

But, writing with joy, skill and candour, we witness Krystal growing as a person from the ashes of disaster into the confident, funny, and (reasonably) well-hinged adult, mother and comedian that she is today.

At the same time, funny, tragic and inspiring, it is the story of a family dangerously close to the edge, and of a girl struggling to make her way into adulthood, once the smoke clears.

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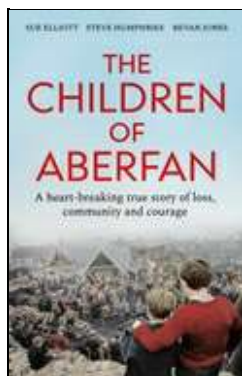
- **FOR FANS OF:** Perfect for fans of *A Heart That Works* by Rob Delaney (23.4k HB/ 6.9k PB), *Delicacy* by Katy Wix (2.5k HB/ 5.2k PB), *Strong Female Character* by Fern Brady (28.6k HB/ 29.6k PB) and *This is Not a Pity Memoir* by Abi Morgan (9.9k HB/ 6.9k PB). As a memoir about a difficult mother-daughter relationship, it will also resonate with readers of Jeanette McCurdy's *I'm Glad My Mom Died* (100k HB).
- **AUTHOR PROFILE:** Krystal is a rising star in the comedy world, nominated for the BEST NEWCOMER in the Edinburgh Comedy Awards 2023. She writes for **and** appears on *Mitchell And Web Are Not Helping* (airing on Channel 4) alongside Stevie Martin and Kiell Smith-Bynoe, and co-hosts the podcast *Chris & Krystal Are in the Heat*, which is on its fourth season.
- **BRILLIANT ENDORSEMENTS AND A BRAND NEW PAPERBACK LOOK :** We will publish the paperback with a fresh new look that makes full use of the fantastic quotes.
- **PROVEN SUCCESS:** Hottest Girl At Burn camp had a sell-out run at Edinburgh Fringe 2023 to great critical and audience acclaim. Coverage ran in the *Times*, the *Independent*, the *Telegraph* and the *Guardian*. The show then transferred to a sell-out week's run at London's Soho Theatre.

Author Biography

KRYSTAL EVANS is a writer and American stand-up comedian based in the UK and is known for her powerful live shows and also her work with Mitchell & Webb and on Comedy Central. Her stand-up show about the fire, also called *The Hottest Girl At Burn Camp*, won critical acclaim and widespread coverage. She lives in Edinburgh and is the super-responsible mum to two boys. Her favourite food is breakfast burritos and she has a gigantic photo of Rod Serling in her front room.

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The Children of Aberfan

A heart-breaking true story of loss, community and courage

Sue Elliott, Bevan Jones, Steve Humphries

Keynote

The story of a tragedy never forgotten, and a community who came together to mourn

Description

The story of a tragedy never forgotten, and a community who came together to mourn a generation of children

In October 1966, a small Welsh mining village was hit by disaster. Heavy rain had been pounding the village for days and over time filled a tip containing coal waste, situated high above the village. Within minutes, the coal tip had slid down the mountain, engulfing a farm, several houses and a school, and ultimately killing 28 adults and 116 children. It was a man-made disaster, the likes of which had not seen before, and which attracted the attention of the world's media. Aberfan would become synonymous with tragedy as the small, close-knit village mourned the loss of an entire generation of children.

In *The Children of Aberfan* those who were actually there - rescuers, parents, teachers, neighbours and children - tell the full story of the tragic event. Moving and simply told, in the voices of the people on the ground, it is a story about a grieving community, about a disaster long foretold but ignored by those in power; and about the heroism and dignity of those who were left behind.

Sales Points

- **COMP:** Aberfan was also a tragedy first of all about working-class children and in that respect shares something with mass-market children's stories such as *Silvertown: An East End Family Memoir* (HB & PB TCM 64k) and *When the Children Came Home: Stories of Wartime Evacuees* (HB & PB TCM 25k).
- **TOLD SIMPLY AND MOVINGLY:** The book is based around 27 extensive interviews in seven chapters with a foreword by Jeff Edwards MBE and an introduction by the authors. It is incredibly immediate, engaging and moving, telling the full story of the lead-up, the day and the aftermath, while being concise and focused enough to be read in one sitting.
- **MASS MARKET APPEAL:** Publishing in b-format paperback with a photographic cover that is authentic but also emotive, for readers of *The Twins of Auschwitz* (121k UK PB TCM) and *The Children's Block* (35k PB TCM).
- **60 YEAR ANNIVERSARY:** 2026 will be the 60th anniversary of Aberfan and so it's likely to feature in news segments and in the press - for the 55th anniversary, the BBC did an interview with survivors and Radio Wales covered it in a nine part podcast. With the Aberfan episode of *The Crown* still fresh in the memory, many people will be looking to understand what really happened.

Author Biography

Sue Elliott (Author)

Sue Elliott is a writer of social and oral history and has published five books in collaboration with Steve Humphries and Testimony Films.

Steve Humphries (Author)

Steve Humphries established Testimony Films in 1992 and is recognised as a pioneering producer of oral history documentaries. His award-winning films have been shown on all main UK channels and across the English-speaking world.

Bevan Jones (Author)

Bevan Jones grew up close to the south Wales valleys and has worked as a writer, editor and academic, latterly for US universities in London.

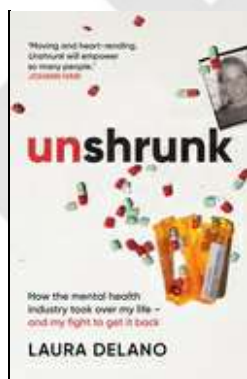
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Unshrunk

How The Mental Health Industry Took Over My Life - And My Fight to Get it Back

Laura Delano

Keynote

A memoir about one woman's battle to discover her true self outside of the deeply flawed American mental health system

Description

'Girl, Interrupted for the age of the prescription pill... compelling, important, haunting.'-THE NEW YORK TIMES

'A really moving and heart-rending story. *Unshrunk* will help and empower so many people.'-JOHANN HARI

'*Unshrunk* is the story of a young woman who dared to be herself, and a potent reminder of why human suffering can never be reduced to a diagnostic manual. A must read.'-ANNA LEMBKE, author of *Dopamine Nation*

At age fourteen, Laura Delano's parents took her to her first psychiatrist. At school, she was the model student, but at home Laura felt an uncontrollable rage that she unleashed on family, friends and herself. She was promptly diagnosed with bipolar disorder and started on a course of mood stabilizers and antidepressants.

It was to mark the beginning of a painful and relentless journey. For the next thirteen years, Laura sought help from the best psychiatrists and hospitals, accumulating an ever-expanding list of diagnoses and prescriptions for nineteen different drugs. She accepted her diagnoses and embraced the pharmaceutical regime she'd been told was necessary to manage her incurable, lifelong disease. But as her symptoms only got more severe and eventually she was deemed 'treatment resistant', Laura began to wonder if the drugs and diagnoses were the cure - or had they become the problem?

Weaving together Laura's medical records and doctors' notes with illuminating research on the drugs she was prescribed, *Unshrunk* is the powerful memoir of one woman's battle against the commercial psychiatric industry and the role it plays in shaping what it means to be human.

Sales Points

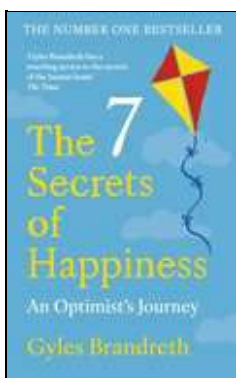
- **BEAUTIFULLY WRITTEN, REDEMPTIVE AND HOPEFUL STORY:** Lara's story is one of a titanic battle against the American psychiatric system, a battle in which we support her all the way. Readers are taken not only into the depths of her despair but the joy and hard-won healing that she undergoes after leaving behind the American psychiatric system and learning to live differently.
- **COMPS:** UNSHRUNK is mental health memoir meets critique of the American psychiatric system. Comps include: *The Bell Jar* (UK TCM over 477k), *Girl, Interrupted* (UK TCM 60k), *Prozac Nation* (UK TCM 47k) and *An Unquiet Mind* (UK TCM 48.3k).
- **INTERNATIONAL:** More than 8 million people in England are on antidepressants as of 2022 (a rise of approximately 14% since 2017) and more than a quarter have been taking them for five years. One in seven Australian adults take antidepressants and on average Australians take them for about four years, much longer than the guidelines advise. Academics and doctors in both countries have called for changes to clinical advice and care.
- **FEATURED IN THE NEW YORKER:** The award-winning journalist Rachel Aviv published a stunning, widely read profile of Delano in The New Yorker in 2019. Aviv returned to Delano's story in her critically acclaimed book, *Strangers to Ourselves*. *Unshrunk* is Delano's unflinching account of her experience, in her own words.

Author Biography

Laura Delano is a writer, speaker, and consultant, and the Executive Director of Inner Compass Initiative, a charitable organization that she founded to help people make more informed choices about psychiatric diagnoses and drugs. She is a leading ex-patient voice in the international movement of people who've left behind the medicalized, professionalized offerings of the mental health system to build something different. Laura works with individuals and families around the world seeking guidance and support for the withdrawal journey and life post-psychiatry. She lives in Connecticut with her husband and children.

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The 7 Secrets of Happiness An Optimist's Journey

Gyles Brandreth

Keynote

Brimming with wisdom and wit, this illustrated and updated edition of *The 7 Secrets of Happiness* features new research, anecdotes and stories from national treasure and advocate for joy, Gyles Brandreth.

Description

ILLUSTRATED EDITION - UPDATED FOR MAXIMUM HAPPINESS!

Ten years on, Gyles Brandreth has learnt yet more about happiness... featuring a new introduction and charming illustrations, this little book attempts to answer a big question: How can we be happy?

'Marvellous, brilliant, wonderful, best thing I've ever heard, transformational...'

That was the response from a total stranger when Gyles Brandreth delivered the Happiness Lecture at Birmingham University. Someone else in the thousand-strong audience tweeted: 'The 7 Secrets of Happiness are amazing. Thank you Gyles Brandreth, wherever you are.'

Well, Gyles Brandreth is here now with those 7 Secrets of Happiness. The secrets are simple rules, easy to remember, but challenging to achieve. Gyles Brandreth found them when he set out on a journey looking for happiness and ended up in the psychiatrist's chair - with Dr Anthony Clare.

What *is* happiness? Who gets to be happy? And how?

These are the big questions that Gyles Brandreth aims to answer in this little book. Research shows that happy people live up to ten years longer than unhappy people. This is a book that won't simply enhance your life: it will extend it.

Sales Points

- **HUGE PR:** Gyles plans to plug the book on Lorraine, as well as Dermot O'Leary's show - and he also plans to change This Morning's weekly 'thank you' calls from viewers to a 'secrets of happiness' call in. Essentially, he will become Mr Happiness to help us promote!
- **FESTIVAL TIE-INS:** Gyles is already planning to champion the book with the Festival of Ideas in Chester (books sold by Waterstones) and will be on-hand to promote during the summer.
- **BEAUTIFUL GIFTY PACKAGE:** The new edition will be the first hardback version of the book, with a new jacket and charming illustrations to make it perfectly giftable.
- **Publishing on Independence Day:** It was the American Declaration of Independence that introduced the idea of "**Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness**" as unalienable rights. 4th July is the date when the modern idea of a right to happiness was born. It's the perfect publication date and we can use it as a peg for publicity.
- **COMPS:**
Joyspan 9781783256310 (Dr Kerry Burnight)
The Secrets to Happiness 9781787839847 (Sophie Golding)

Reviews

- 'Gyles Brandreth has access to the secrets of the human heart.' - *The Times*

Author Biography

Gyles Brandreth is a writer, broadcaster, former MP and Government Whip, now Chancellor of the University of Chester and best known as a regular on ITV's *This Morning* and Radio 4's *Just A Minute*. On stage he has appeared as Malvolio, Lady Bracknell and in his own musical revue in London's West End. On TV he has featured in *Have I Got News For You*, *QI*, *Would I Lie to You?*, *Pointless*, *Countdown* and *Celebrity Gogglebox*. His novels include seven Victorian murder mysteries featuring Oscar Wilde as his detective and he has published two acclaimed volumes of diaries, an autobiography, *Odd Boy Out*, and two best-selling royal biographies. His podcasts include *Something Rhymes With Purple*, all about words and language, which he presents with Susie Dent, and *Rosebud*, in which he talks to famous people about their early memories. He is married to writer and publisher Michele Brown and has three children, six grandchildren and a cat called Nala.

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101 Things to Do Instead of Gaming

Ilka Heinemann

Keynote

101 ways to engage a gamer, take them away from their console and free their mind.

Description

From the author of 101 Things to Do Instead of Playing on Your Phone

101 ways to engage a gamer, take them away from their console and free their mind.

A step-by-step guide to encouraging your gamer to engage in real games in the real world, with 101 simple ideas to try.

It's the perfect gift for someone (most likely a much-loved teenager in your life!) who may be gaming just a little 'too much'. Rather than trying to spoil anyone's fun, this book aims to inspire you to spend a little less time gaming, and a little more time doing fun things with the people that matter to you instead! We know it's hard, but this book will help you give it a try one step at a time..

Step 1 - uninstall all games on your phone, unplug your computer, hide your controller and console

Step 2 - leave your room and enter the real world

Step 3 - turn to the first page and prepare yourself for the craziest tasks and challenges you can imagine

Collect rewards for completed tasks and progress a little more every day.

You can keep track of your achievements in the back of the book.

Your country needs you! The better you do, the more you can help maintain the world order.

Sales Points

- Sequel to our best-selling *101 Things to do instead of playing on your phone*, which boasts lifetime sales of over 176,000 copies in the UK over the past 10 years. We have just renewed rights to this for another 10 years and are updating the copy of the book simultaneously.
- The inspiration for this book came to the author during the COVID pandemic when her teenage son did little else than game in his room in his free time, and after the pandemic this hobby lingered with him and his friendship group.
- Gaming participation stats remain high both in the UK and overseas. In 2024 50% of all females and 58% of all males actively involved in Gaming. Percentages are higher in younger age groups: 85% 16-24s and 71% 25-34s
- This book has been on sale in German speaking markets (Germany, Austria, Switzerland) since 2022, with sales to ADD IN
- Handy gift format for the Gamer in your life

Author Biography

Ilka Heinemann is the owner of a somewhat outdated smartphone and can't resist the urge to tap its screen during rare free moments. She works as an editor at a publishing house and has a passion for books in her private life too. She couldn't help noticing that in situations when people used to read books or simply let their minds wander, they are now playing around with their phones. While travelling on the tube, surrounded by smartphone maniacs, the idea came to her for this book.

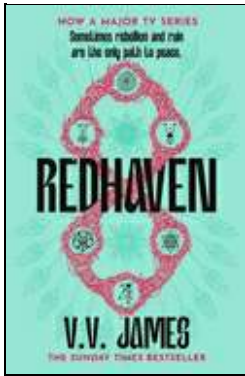
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Redhaven

V. V. James

Keynote

Redhaven is the explosive conclusion to the story which began with the *Sunday Times* bestseller *Sanctuary*, an unputdownable fusion of small-town murder mystery and witchcraft, now a major AMC+ series from the creators of *Poldark*!

Description

New enemies. Old mysteries. Dangerous allies.

Sarah Fenn and her daughter Harper are at the heart of a witch hunt that's spreading across America.

Now something new is coming. Government registration . . . and research that could destroy magical ability forever.

Sarah and Harper must choose their allies carefully, and learn from the secrets of their family's past.

They've tried running. They've tried hiding. But when Harper is kidnapped, the moment comes to fight - and to do it with all their power.

Modern thriller meets dark fantasy in this scorching fusion of modern-day witchcraft, small-town secrets, and the persecuted reclaiming their power - perfect for fans of *Ninth House* by Leigh Bardugo, *The Once and Future Witches* by Alix E. Harrow, and *Her Majesty's Royal Coven* by Juno Dawson.

Sales Points

- **A MAJOR AMC + TV SHOW:** TV rights were snapped up by Entertainment 360 (GAME OF THRONES) and Monumental Pictures following a competitive 6-way auction. AMC Studios and Monumental produced the 7-episode first season, heading to Sky in the UK (date TBC), starring Elaine Cassidy (A DISCOVERY OF WITCHES), Amy De Bhrún (LINE OF DUTY), and Stephanie Levi-John (THE SPANISH PRINCESS). A second season will be released in February 2026.
- **AN INSTANT SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER:** SANCTUARY was an instant *Sunday Times* bestseller and featured in a monthly book box with Illumicrate in July 2019.
- **WITH HUGE BOOKTOK POTENTIAL:** BIG LITTLE LIES meets THE CRAFT in this fantasy thriller series perfect for the BookTok generation. A small-town murder mystery teeming with secrets and witchcraft, it's propulsively commercial genre-blending fiction for fans of the likes of Juno Dawson, Alexis Henderson, Catriona Ward, and Sarah Pinborough.
- **AN UNMISSABLE BUZZY HOOK:** The first modern witch trial taking place in the age of social media and suburbia.
- **A BRILLIANT AUTHOR PROFILE:** V.V. James' YA fantasy debut GILDED CAGE (published by Pan Mac under the name Vic James) was selected as a BBC Radio 2 Book Club Choice 2017 and a World Book Night Book 2018. She's also a familiar face on the London SFF scene, often chairing panels for other leading authors in the genre at bookshop events and conventions.
- **AND A DOZEN RIGHTS DEALS:** Alongside its exceptional TV success, SANCTUARY scored a North American deal with Sourcebooks in the US and Canada. We have also done translation deals in Chinese, Spanish, Italian, Czech, Turkish, Swedish, German, Russian, and Polish.

Reviews

- 'A compelling tale of small town rivalries, mob vengeance, and magic' - *Guardian*
- 'Oh my god, what a fabulous book! Witches meets *Big Little Lies*. This one is going in my forever pile because I know I'm going to read it again. Trust me, this is properly addictive!' - *Emma Kavanagh, bestselling author of The Missing Hours*
- 'What would you get if you crossed *Big Little Lies* with 90s teen flick *The Craft* and threw in a splash of *Peyton Place* and a dash of *The Crucible*? The answer is something like this addictive novel!' - *Independent*
- 'Sanctuary is *Big Little Lies* meets *The Craft* and I can not put it down' - *Sarah Hughes, Guardian journalist*
- '*The Crucible* meets *Desperate Housewives* in this deft and gripping supernatural thriller' - *Daily Mail*

Author Biography

V.V. James is the author (as Vic James) of the contemporary fantasy trilogy GILDED CAGE, TARNISHED CITY, and BRIGHT RUIN. GILDED CAGE is a 2018 World Book Night pick and a Radio 2 Book Club selection. V.V. worked as an investigative producer for Channel 4 News and now directs documentaries for BBC1 and BBC2.



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Red Dwarf: Titan

Rob Grant and Andrew Marshall

Keynote

This is Red Dwarf - bigger wider and more exciting than ever before. . . Introducing *Red Dwarf: Titan*, an all-new prequel, and the first *Red Dwarf* novel in thirty years.

Description

Before the beginning...

The mining ship Red Dwarf is in orbit around Saturnian moon Titan, and the bulk of the crew is heading down for their shore leave plans: A strangely reluctant hen party; a relaxing cheaty golfing break; a terminally-boring cultural Odessey; a marathon drinking and fighting binge; a stomach-challenging culinary beanfeast and an invigoratingly violent tour of Shore Patrol . . .

Menial chicken soup machine repairmen Dave Lister and Arnold Rimmer have slightly less noble ambitions.

Rimmer is in search of some illicit exam-cheating tech, to land a much-lusted-for promotion, and Lister plans to acquire a cat to smuggle back on board as part of a nefarious scheme to return to Earth. Mainly they just want to get as far away from each other as possible. However, their objectives are scuppered when they receive a cryptic message . . . from the future.

The two feuding crewmen are catapulted into a breakneck race to save not only this, but every other Reality.

Along the way, they'll find themselves united again, for the first time, with some new, but somehow old friends, as they embark on a labyrinthian quest through the seediest, most dangerous underbelly of humankind's furthest outpost, where lurk bizarre off-worldly dangers and one mysterious hidden nemesis with an obscure, yet clearly lethal agenda.

So strap yourself into your Holly Hop Drive, and set your bazookoids to "thrill" - the Dwarfers are taking on TITAN.

'Don't tell my mother I died with my arm up a gorilla's bottom.'
'But sir - it will be on the death certificate.'

Sales Points

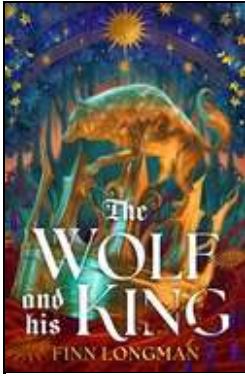
- **A HIGHLY ANTICIPATED BRAND-NEW SCI-FI COMEDY:** This is the first new *Red Dwarf* novel in thirty years, with co-creator Rob Grant returning alongside Andrew Marshall, the creator and writer of sitcom *2point4Children* and sci-fi comedy radio series *Quanderhorn*.
- **LEGENDARY FRANCHISE:** *Red Dwarf* is the second most successful British sci-fi TV series ever (apart from *Doctor Who*), with ratings of over 8 million at its peak. The most recent series in 2020 was watched by 2 million people.
- **FOR OLD AND NEW READERS:** This all-new novel is the perfect introduction for those who have never seen *Red Dwarf*, but also full of familiar tropes for fans.

Author Biography

Rob Grant (1955-2026) co-created/wrote/produced and occasionally directed the international smash *Red Dwarf*. He co-authored two of the best-selling *Red Dwarf* novels and wrote a third (*Backwards*) solo. He also authored *Colony*, *Incompetence*, and *Fat*. All of his novels have been translated into a bizarre series of Eastern European languages. On radio, he co-created and wrote the multi-award-winning *Son of Cliché*. Amongst many TV projects, he helmed the writing team at *Spitting Image*, and created and wrote *The Strangers* for Sky and *Dark Ages* for ITV. *Red Dwarf: Titan* was the final novel he completed before his untimely death in 2026.

Andrew Marshall wrote *The Burkiss Way* with David Renwick and *Hordes of the Things* with John Lloyd for Radio 4. Andrew and David went onto write *End of Part One*, *Whoops Apocalypse* (and the movie version), *Hot Metal* for ITV, the movie *Wilt*, and also Alexei Sayle's *Stuff* with Alexei for BBC Two. Andrew then went on to write, and later produce all eight series of prime-time comedy *2point4Children* for BBC Two for ten years, interspersed with *Dad and Health* and *Efficiency* for the same channel. He also adapted some episodes of Agatha Christie's *Poirot* and created, wrote and executive produced the hour long fantasy series *Strange* for Saturday night BBC One. During the course of all this, his work won, amongst other baubles, a Broadcasting and Press Guild Award, an International Emmy, a Sony Radio Award, a BAFTA, and was twice the UK's entry in the Golden Rose Comedy festival.

Together they co-created/wrote/produced and starred in *The Nether Regions* for the BBC, co-created and produced two seasons of *The Quanderhorn Xperimentations* for BBC radio, and co-wrote the *Quanderhorn* novel, also published by Gollancz.



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The Butterfly Assassin
The Hummingbird Killer
Moth to a Flame

The Wolf and His King Madeline Miller meets medieval literature in this spellbinding queer werewolf tale

Finn Longman

Keynote

Madeline Miller meets werewolves in this spellbinding retelling of a medieval Celtic folktale about a newly crowned king and the cursed knight who falls in love with him - perfect for fans of Naomi Novik and Samantha Shannon.

Description

THE KING BOUND BY DUTY.
THE KNIGHT HAUNTED BY DESIRE.
THE WOLF THE SECRET THAT COULD TEAR THEM APART.

Step into the resplendent courts and forests of medieval Brittany in this spellbinding retelling of the 12th-century tale of Bisclavret the werewolf . . .

The wolf-sickness strikes always without warning, stealing Bisclavret's body and confusing his mind. Since boyhood, he hasn't dared leave the forest - not to beg the return of his father's lost estate, not to seek brotherhood among the court, not even to win the knighthood he yearns for. But when a new king ascends to the throne, he must deliver his kiss of fealty or answer for the failure.

Half an exile himself, the young king is intrigued by this uneasy, rough-hewn nobleman. Bisclavret seems a perfect knight: bold, strong, and merciful. But he keeps his secrets close. The king's longing grows, until one day Bisclavret vanishes beyond reach. Battling desperation and grief, only duty to his people stands between the king and ruin - duty, and the wolf . . .

Steeped in the texture of its source material and rendered with a precision of language that feels intimate and timeless, *The Wolf and His King* will transport you to a fireside - unmissable for fans of Samantha Shannon and Madeline Miller.

'Howlingly good' **THE BOOKSELLER**
'Quiet, meditative, powerful' **LOCUS**
'A beautiful, lyrical tale of love, betrayal and above all, yearning' **SFX**
'With prose that flows off the page like honey' **CRISTIN WILLIAMS**
'Will sink its teeth into you' **V. V. JAMES**
'Filled with loyalty and betrayal, dark secrets, and oh, so much yearning' **KIMBERLY BEA**
'Finn Longman is a master of their craft' **WREN JAMES**

Sales Points

- **AUTHOR EXPERTISE:** The author has an encyclopaedic knowledge of medieval literature and Celtic mythology, specialising in Early and Medieval Irish, the Táin, and its intersections with queer theory, with three peer-reviewed academic articles and two conference papers currently published. They are now working on their PhD (on friendship in the Ulster Cycle) at Cambridge alongside part-time work as a librarian and YA author. *The Wolf and His King* will launch their adult SFF career with its USP rooted in this rich academic background.
- **BUZZY HOOK:** As a queer Celtic myth retelling and a rich love story between a medieval king and the werewolf who becomes his knight, this will appeal to fans of crossover fantasies similarly steeped in folklore from Samantha Shannon and Hannah Kaner to Naomi Novik and Katherine Arden.
- **YA COMMUNITY BASE:** With their debut trilogy (Simon & Schuster) they already have an established foothold in the UK YA author, blogger, and event space, with review quotes from the likes of Benjamin Dean. The first book was also covered by *The Guardian* and *The Irish Times*.
- **EXCITING SPECIAL EDITIONS:** We had two beautiful signed hardback special editions with Goldsboro and The Broken Binding.
- **WORLD ALL LANGUAGE RIGHTS:** This was secured in a pre-empt for WAL rights and has already sold in North America (Erewhon, Kensington) and France.

Reviews

- 'Fresh and modern . . . A beautiful, lyrical tale of love, betrayal, and above all, yearning' - **SFX**
- '*The Wolf and His King* is a novel about the isolating power of shame and fear of judgement: quiet, meditative, powerful, and suffused with a deep affection for and knowledge of aspects of the medieval world, from boar hunts to bliauts . . . I greatly enjoyed this novel. It feels deeply thought, in a way that I have encountered in fantasy far less often than I would like' - **Locus**
- 'Howlingly good. Finn Longman's adult fantasy debut breathes new life into a medieval werewolf . . . *The Wolf and His King* will enchant readers with its nuanced exploration of bodies, kinship and love. This may be a tale about a fearsome wolf, but it is not a story

about a monster' - *The Bookseller*

- 'Enter the shady forests of medieval Brittany and smell the hot wolf fur and hear the beat of yearning hearts in this gorgeous love story. Historian and wordsmith Finn Longman's atmospheric retelling of Bisclavret will sink its teeth into you' - V. V. James, *Sunday Times*-bestselling author of *Sanctuary*

Author Biography

Finn Longman is an author and medievalist, originally from London. They write young adult and adult fiction, with a particular interest in genre-bending stories about identity, friendship, and monstrosity - of the metaphorical or the literal sort. They've spent most of their adult life alternating between working in libraries and studying for increasingly niche degrees in medieval literature, and can usually be found in the vicinity of a pile of books. Finn is currently a PhD student at the University of Cambridge, researching friendship and affection in the late Ulster Cycle. Finn's debut YA novel, *The Butterfly Assassin*, and its sequels are published by Simon & Schuster.



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Main Identifier	9781399612173
Thema 1.6	Fantasy (FM) Fantasy romance / Romantic fantasy (FMR) Romance: fantasy and paranormal (FRT) Epic fantasy / high fantasy (FMB)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	432 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Author living in	Brooklyn, USA & Boston, USA

Publishing History

Amanda Foody:
Ace of Shades
King of Fools
Queen of Volts

Christine Herman:
The Drowning Grey
The Deck of Omens

Previous Titles

All of Us Villains

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

A Fate So Cold

From the NYT Bestselling Authors of ALL OF US VILLAINS

Amanda Foody and C. L. Herman

Keynote

From the incredible minds that brought the world *All of Us Villains*, comes the next epic duology in a world of deadly magic.

Description

TWO CHOSEN ONES WITH ONE CHOICE: THE WORLD OR EACH OTHER

***A Fate So Cold* is the first of a new blockbuster duology from the *New York Times* bestselling authors of *All of Us Villains*, Amanda Foody & C. L. Herman.**

For most of the year, Summer reigns peacefully over Alderland. Then, for six brutal weeks, Winter rages, obliterating towns and wreaking casualties. Magicians bond with powerful wands of Summer to defend the nation, a duty that costs many their lives. Domenic Barrow never wanted such responsibility-but destiny hasn't granted him a choice. The greatest Summer wand has awakened for the first time in a century, warning that an icy cataclysm looms on the horizon. And despite his reputation as the least suited of his classmates, the wand Chooses Domenic to wield it.

Ellery Caldwell spent years striving to be a perfect Summer magician-and burying her fears of her own power. But her worst suspicions are proven true when she accidentally creates the first ever Winter wand.

Now, as the unprecedented Chosen Two, Domenic and Ellery must thwart the oncoming cataclysm together. And in trying to fulfill their destinies, they wonder if they were brought together for a second fate: to fall in love.

Until they discover the unthinkable truth. The Chosen Two aren't fated allies, but eternal rivals, and the only way to save their home is for one of them to slay the other.

This is no love story. It's a tragedy.

Sales Points

- A *NEW YORK TIMES* bestselling series.
- A great storytelling hook - *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire* meets *The Hunger Games*
- Perfect for THE NINTH HOUSE and A DEADLY EDUCATION readerships.
- A powerful and absolutely compelling story about ambitious families and troubled teens - and the fallout of their relentless pursuit of power.

Reviews

- 'Dark, luscious, and brutally smart, *All of Us Villains* is a fresh but unforgiving look at the legacy of abusive families and community-sanctioned violence. Foody and Herman have created a thrilling story that is impossible to put down' - *Victoria Lee, author of A Lesson in Vengeance and The Fever King*
- 'Both glittering with magic and drenched in blood, *All of Us Villains* kept me up at night with its heart-pounding pace and layered mysteries.' - *Sara Holland, New York Times bestselling author of Everless*
- 'Positively wicked in all the right ways. *All of Us Villains* is addicting from start to finish. I'm obsessed' - *Adalyn Grace, New York Times bestselling author of All the Stars and Teeth*
- '"Magical, clever and cutthroat, *All of Us Villains* sets out to make it impossible to know who to root for.... A fun, twisty ride through a world full of spells and family secrets' - *Kendare Blake, #1 New York Times bestselling author of the Three Dark Crowns series*

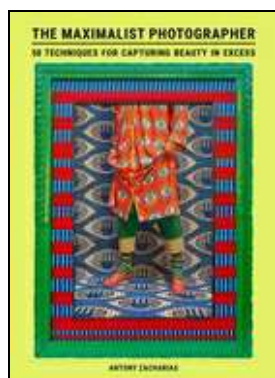
Author Biography

C. L. Herman (Author)

C.L. Herman was born in New York City but raised in Japan and Hong Kong, and subscribes to the firm philosophy that home is where your books are. They returned to the United States to study at the University of Rochester, where they received the Dean's Prize in fiction and an Honors English degree. Currently, Christine and their books reside in a Brooklyn apartment, along with their partner and their extremely spoiled cat. You can find them @christineexists

Amanda Foody (Author)

Amanda Foody has always considered imagination to be our best attempt at magic. After spending her childhood longing to attend Hogwarts, she now loves to write about immersive settings and characters grappling with insurmountable destinies. Currently, she lives in Philadelphia, PA, surrounded by her many siblings and many books. Her novels include ACE OF SHADES, KING OF FOOLS, DAUGHTER OF THE BURNING CITY and THE SHADOW GAME.



The Maximalist Photographer 50 techniques for capturing beauty in excess

Antony Zacharias

Keynote

The essential guide to maximalist photography, with expert advice on how to create fascinating images that are striking in their visual complexity

Description

Discover 50 ways to create a more-is-more aesthetic in your photography, from saturated colours and layering to post-processing techniques, such as collage.

With advice on composition, balance, shape, texture and narrative, this book takes inspiration from the masters of maximalism to demonstrate how you can fill your lens with fascination through a variety of approaches.

Illustrated with the finest examples from photographers such as Hassan Hajjaj, Lindsay Adler, Mickalene Thomas, Horst P. Horst and Maisie Cousins, this book explains the key techniques that define maximalism and provides easy-to-follow advice on how to create bold, vibrant photographs that capture beauty in chaos.

Sales Points

- **FIRST TO MARKET.** The only practical photography book specifically focused on how to create maximalist photographs
- **SECOND TITLE** in trend-led series for creating images that are instantly shareable and inherently Instagrammable
- **ACCESSIBLE APPROACH** with a spread-based formula and jargon-free advice
- **RICHLY ILLUSTRATED** with over 50 photographs covering a wide variety of genres, from landscape and architecture to portraiture and still-life
- **GLOBAL CONTENT.** Features works by photographers from around the world

Author Biography

Antony Zacharias is a professional photographer specialising in architecture and long exposure photography. His previous titles include *The Minimalist Photographer* (Laurence King), *Mastering Long Exposure Photography* (Ammonite Press) and *52 Assignments: Travel Photography* (Ammonite Press).

In addition to writing, lecturing and teaching a wide range of photographic skills, Antony has been commissioned by numerous corporations, including Mandarin Oriental, Toyota US and Sky Atlantic, and his work has been published extensively by the BBC, *Guardian*, *Times*, CBS, *The Ecologist* and numerous photography magazines.

Antony is photographic brand ambassador for Hoya (Japan) and BenQ. He was a Hasselblad Masters finalist 2021 for architecture and a shortlisted finalist for architecture in the British Photography Awards 2022.

Publication date **Thursday, July 23, 2026**

Price **£16.99 / ₹1599**

Main Identifier **9781399636582**

Thema 1.6 **Photography and photographs (AJ)
Photography:
subject-specific
techniques and
principles (AJTF)
Digital
photography
(AJTH)**

Binding **Paperback**

Format **PB with flaps**

Extent **144 pages**

Word Count **27000 words**

Illustrations **60 photographs**

Exclusively for Sale **UK; World**

Not for Sale **None**

Author living in **London, UK**

Publishing History

The Minimalist Photographer (2025)

Previous Titles

Mastering Long Exposure Photography (2018)

52 Assignments: Travel Photography (2020)

The Minimalist Photographer (2025)

1st Serial **Refer to Publisher**

2nd Serial **Refer to Publisher**

Audio **Refer to Publisher**

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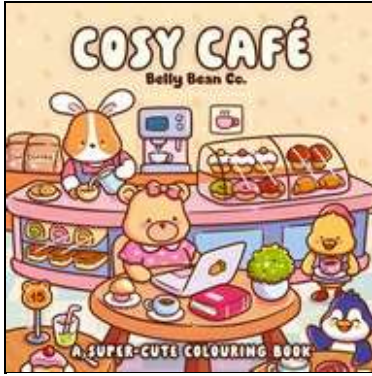
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Publication date	Thursday, July 30, 2026
Price	£7.99 / ₹870
Main Identifier	9781399644990
Thema 1.6	Adult colouring, interactive and activity books or kits (WFX) Children's interactive and activity: drawing, colouring and painting (YBGC) Book and paper crafts (WFT) Drawing and drawings in pencil, charcoal, crayon or pastel (AFFC) Drawing and drawings (AFF)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	203 x 203mm
Extent	96 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World; World (ex UK, Ire, EU)
Not for Sale	EU
Author living in	Montreal, Canada
1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
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Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
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Cosy Café

A super-cute colouring book

Belly Bean

Keynote

The latest cosy colouring book from Instagram artists Belly Bean Co - simple and bold illustrations to relieve stress and bring joy.

Description

Relax with this cute colouring book, featuring 40 enchanting illustrations that celebrate the cosy, comforting pleasures of life in a charming café and bakery. Every page encourages you to slow down, savour the moment, and indulge in life's sweetest little rituals. From quiet mornings with freshly brewed coffee and flaky pastries, to afternoons filled with delicate cakes and the soft hum of friendly conversation - each scene captures the delicious magic of a cosy café.

With shelves of freshly baked bread, beautifully decorated cakes, steaming cups of tea, and delightful dessert displays, this colouring book offers a soothing escape from the busyness of everyday life. Whether you enjoy bold markers or soft-coloured pencils, you'll find endless opportunities to add warmth, texture, and your own creative touch. Get out your pens and let yourself be carried away into the cosy world of Belly Bean Co.

Sales Points

- Major trend: Cozy coloring is a huge and bestselling trend driven by the popularity on TikTok. Google searches have doubled in the past year alone.
- Soothing self-care: Readers are finding stress relief in the bold and easy-to-color illustrations.
- Author following: @bellybeancoloring have 45k followers on Instagram.
- International hit: 10,000 copies sold in the first three months in French language alone.

Author Biography

Belly Bean (Author, Illustrator)

Belly Bean Co. is a heartfelt venture born from our love for our adorable stuffed animal family. **We are a passionate two-member team** dedicated to bringing joy and creativity into your life through our charming adult colouring books.

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Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Refer to Publisher
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Cosy Farm

A super-cute colouring book

Belly Bean

Keynote

Relax in a world of cosy rural joy, with fruit picking, bountiful vegetable gardens and cute animals to colour.

Description

Discover a cute and cosy world to colour!

This colouring book offers a warm escape from the stresses of daily life with 40 super-cute illustrations that celebrate the simple, heartfelt pleasures of life on the farm. Step into a peaceful rural world where every page invites you to slow down, breathe deeply, and reconnect with nature's gentle rhythm. From mornings spent feeding chickens and afternoons picking fruit, to evenings surrounded by friendly animals and golden fields ready for harvest - each scene captures the quiet magic of country living. Get out your markers or pencils and let yourself be carried away into the cosy world of Belly Bean Co.

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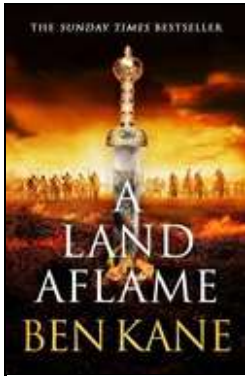
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Publication date	Thursday, July 02, 2026
Price	£15.99 / ₹1499
Main Identifier	9781398714717
Thema 1.6	Historical adventure fiction (FJH) 3rd century, c 200 to c 299 (3KBN)

Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	352 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA

Author born in	Kenya
Author living in	Somerset

Previous Titles

Rome
Stormcrow
King
Lion Heart
Forgotten Legion

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
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A Land Aflame

Ben Kane

Keynote

A Land Aflame is the long-anticipated continuation of *Sunday Times* bestseller Ben Kane's epic Hannibal series!

Description

211 BC: Hannibal's struggle against the Romans in Italy continues, but the Carthaginians have been utterly defeated on Sicily. Fleeing the island to Spain, Hanno and Aurelia are shipwrecked, and taken prisoner by local tribesmen. Unless they escape, a life of slavery and brutal treatment awaits.

Aurelia's brother Quintus is posted with his comrades to Spain, where a new commander - Scipio - has been given the task of defeating the Carthaginian generals who hold sway over most of the peninsula.

Here, on the third front, there will be marches of incredible endurance, epic sieges and huge set piece battles. The very outcome of the war hangs in the balance.

Who will emerge victorious, Rome or Carthage? Only the gods can tell.

What your favourite authors have to say about Ben Kane:

'A rip-roaring epic' PAUL FINCH
'A truly vibrant and gripping read' HELENA GUMLEY-MASON
'An epic tale' MATTHEW HARRFY
'Historical fiction has never been more visceral' JAMES ROLLINS
'A tour de force on an epic scale' DOUGLAS JACKSON

Readers are loving Ben Kane:

'Powerful evocation of our history' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐
'An engaging and exciting read' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐
'Gripped me from start to finish' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐
'Epic tales, gorgeous prose, non-stop action' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐
'Rich in period detail and lively in narrative' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

Sales Points

- ORION'S BIGGEST HISTORICAL FICTION BRAND: Eleven of Ben Kane's fourteen novels have been Sunday Times bestsellers, including his most recent novel, KING, the grand finale to the LIONHEART series.
- EPIC SALES: Ben's books have sold over half a million units (645,000 copies) through the TCM alone, worth over £3.8 million in value. Ben Kane titles at Orion have sold 227.6k copies to date, bringing in a revenue of £804.8k.
- BELOVED IN HISTORICAL FICTION COMMUNITY: Ben is a familiar face at historical festivals up and down the country, including Chalke Valley History festival. He has also chaired the Historical Writers' Association (HWA).

Author Biography

Kenya born, Irish by blood and UK resident, Ben Kane's passion for history has seen him change career from veterinary medicine to writing, and taken him to more than 60 countries, and all 7 continents. Eleven of his novels have been Sunday Times bestsellers, and his books are published in twelve languages; a million copies have sold worldwide. In 2016, his research was recognised by Bristol University with an honorary Doctor of Letters degree. Kane lives in Somerset, where he writes full time.

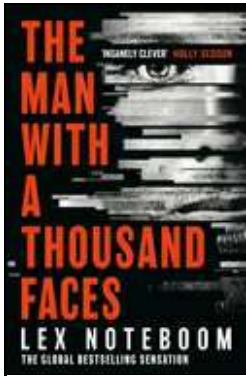
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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	400 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Author living in CANADA, UNITED STATES	Amsterdam Union Square and Co Publisher

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The Man with a Thousand Faces

The gripping, unputdownable debut from the global thriller sensation!

Lex Noteboom

Keynote

In a world of deepfakes and political intrigue, how can anyone know the truth about their president - or even their own husband? **THE MAN WITH A THOUSAND FACES** is the political thriller ripped straight from the headlines.

Description

'A stunning debut, more modern than tomorrow' **TERRY HAYES**

'A very well-written . . . extremely topical story' **DICK SCHOOF, PRIME MINISTER OF THE NETHERLANDS**

'Thrillingly unpredictable' **SHARON BOLTON**

'A tale of power . . . and treachery' **PETERBOROUGH TELEGRAPH**

**A soldier with no name looking for a man that no one has ever seen.
A student with a past she can't remember.
And a husband who is a loving father... or a ruthless despot.**

Michelle lives a quiet life in Amsterdam with her husband Daniel and their family. But when Daniel's twin, the President of Kazichia, suddenly dies in a car crash, Daniel has no choice but to return home for the first time in twenty years, and Michelle follows along.

From the moment they arrive, Daniel is pressured to succeed his brother as President. Kazichia, a former Soviet state, has been ruled by his family for three generations, and now that the throne is empty, the country is left teetering on a knife's edge.

As tensions begin to rise, Michelle feels more and more that they should flee. But when an anonymous rebel leader - known only as The Man With a Thousand Faces - initiates a full-blown attack, Daniel decides to step in. But will he be able to lead the country through the crisis? And if he does, will he be able to give up his newfound power? Or will Michelle lose her husband to his own hunger for greater political reign?

In a world of fake news and big data, lines between fiction and reality are blurred. And the mythical figure behind it all is THE MAN WITH A THOUSAND FACES.

Sales Points

- **RIPPED FROM THE HEADLINES STORY:** set in a fictional former Soviet state on the verge of global conflict, this is a timely thriller that explores where the truth lies in war.
- **HIGHLY PROMOTABLE AUTHOR:** Lex speaks English, and keen to promote. He is a freelance marketer and brand strategist.
- **INTERNATIONAL BUZZ:** this is a major debut launch for AW Bruna, the publishers of Stieg Larsson and Terry Hayes. They have their biggest print run for a debut thriller, and are backing publication with a far-reaching comms and retail campaign.
- **AWARDWINNER** - Lex Noteboom's **THE MAN WITH A THOUSAND FACES** won the Dutch Hebban Thrillerprijs 2024. Hebban is the Dutch equivalent of Goodreads. The professional jury unanimously chose **THE MAN WITH A THOUSAND FACES** as the winner.

Author Biography

LEX NOTEBOOM is the creator of the award-winning sci-fi thriller podcast *The Deca Tapes*. His debut novel, *The Man With a Thousand Faces*, received numerous accolades in the Netherlands, including Mezza Book of the Year 2024, the Hebban Thriller Prize, and the Shadow Prize for the Best Thriller Debut. He studied Modern History at the University of Amsterdam, and lives in the Netherlands with his wife and kids.



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Price	£15.99 / ₹1499
Main Identifier	9781398720169
Thema 1.6	Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA)

Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	320 pages
Word Count	
Series	Timeslider
Exclusively for Sale	World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA

Author living in	Kensington, London

Previous Titles

Shadows in the Moonlight (2024)
Secrets of the Starlit Sea (2025)

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2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
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The Last Encore

The breathtaking and unforgettable new novel from the number one bestselling author!

Santa Montefiore

Keynote

The third book in the sensational new series from Number One bestselling author Santa Montefiore. Each book can be read in turn, or as a standalone. Perfect for fans of **Lucinda Riley, Lulu Taylor** and **Karen Swan**.

Description

<h3>Don't miss the third book in the breathtaking new series from the number one bestselling author Santa Montefiore - coming soon!</h3>

One final show.

A love that defies time...

"I started this, but truly, I have no idea how to end it without breaking my heart."

When Pixie Tate is sent to solve a mystery at the old Aphrodite Theatre in Cornwall, she expects to find another restless spirit waiting behind the velvet curtain.

But when she discovers the theatre is just a few miles down the coastline from where she met the love of her life, Cavill Pengower, she realises that it is no coincidence.

As she slips back one hundred years, Pixie knows she must not only unveil what happened to the woman whose spirit haunts the stage today, but somehow sever this powerful connection with Cavill once and for all.

Yet, as she embarks on this final journey to settle the soul and save the theatre's production of Macbeth, she fears that this time, it might just break her forever...

Readers love Santa Montefiore's *Timeslider* series...

'Hurry up Santa and write another!' ☐☐☐☐☐

'Just WOW...' ☐☐☐☐☐

'Santa Montefiore's books are amazing!' ☐☐☐☐☐

'Lots of twists and turns, I couldn't put it down' ☐☐☐☐☐

'Brought tears to my eyes' ☐☐☐☐☐

'A treasure you will want to read over and over' ☐☐☐☐☐

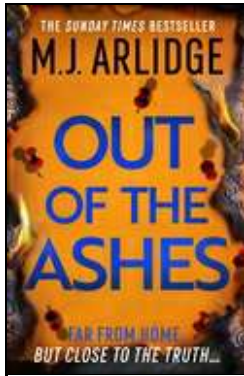
Sales Points

- **MEGABRAND AUTHOR:** Santa Montefiore is a *Sunday Times* bestselling author of over thirty novels and has sold over eight million books worldwide, with her biggest selling title *The House by the Sea* selling nearly 160,000 copies in paperback.
- **SENSATIONAL NEW SERIES:** Santa Montefiore joined Orion in a four-book deal, with *Shadows in the Moonlight* the first in a sensational new series following beguiling protagonist Pixie Tate. This is the third book in the series, following *Secrets of the Starlit Sea* (although can be read as a standalone) and is set on the enchanting Cornish coast.
- **UNMISSABLE CAMPAIGN:** The new book from the Number One bestselling author will be backed by a hugely impactful and far-reaching campaign, targeting existing Santa Montefiore fans as well as new readers. It will be THE major commercial women's fiction release of the summer!
- **STUNNING BRAND LOOK!** We will be continuing with our stunning new brand look for Santa Montefiore, ensuring that her novels are market-leading, eye-catching and utterly irresistible.

Author Biography

Santa Montefiore is the number one bestselling author of over thirty novels and has sold over eight million copies worldwide. Her books have been translated into twenty-five languages and she won an RNA Award for *The Temptation of Gracie* in 2019, which is currently in development for film. Born in England in 1970, she grew up in Hampshire and now lives in London with her husband, writer Simon Sebag-Montefiore, their daughter Liloehka, son Sasha, and dog Simba.

Santa loves to hear from readers and you can find her at www.santamontefiore.co.uk.



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Out of the Ashes The Brand New DI Helen Grace Thriller From The Million-copy Bestseller

M. J. Arlidge

Keynote

From million copy bestseller M.J. Arlidge comes a gripping and intriguing new DI Helen Grace thriller

Description

Pre-order the new gripping DI Helen Grace thriller from the million copy bestseller M.J. Arlidge now!

As Detective Inspector Helen Grace's best friend fights for her life, the man responsible flees the country.

An international manhunt leads to the Dutch port city of Rotterdam, where crime is big business.

With the underworld harbouring one of its own, the local police closing ranks against an outsider, and a pair of trained assassins shadowing her every move - Helen is all alone.

Far from home - and closing in on a killer - she must rely on her instincts, her drive for justice, and her thirst for revenge.

Can she track down her target before he escapes forever? Or will she see her life and everything she loves left in ashes...?

PRAISE FOR THE MILLION-COPY BESTSELLER M.J. ARLIDGE

'Helen Grace is one of the greatest heroes to come along in years'
JEFFERY DEAVER

'Chilling'
THE TIMES

'Gripping'
SUNDAY MIRROR

'Addictive'
EXPRESS

'Fast-moving, disturbing and thought-provoking'
GUARDIAN

'Truly excellent'
THE SUN

'Chills to the bone'
DAILY MAIL

'Nobody does chilling suspense quite like MJ Arlidge'
BP WALTER

Sales Points

- **INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER:** as well as hitting the *Sunday Times* list, Arlidge is also a bestseller in various international territories and his books have sold in over 20 languages
- **A BLOCKBUSTER BRAND AUTHOR:** MJ Arlidge has sold over 1.5 Million copies of his books in the UK alone
- **NEW ENTRYPOINT TO THE SERIES:** DI Helen Grace has just left the force and turned into a maverick investigator, making this new thriller the perfect entry for new readers!

Author Biography

M.J. Arlidge has worked in television for the last twenty years, specialising in high-end drama production, including prime-time crime serials *Silent Witness*, *Torn*, *The Little House* and, most recently, the hit ITV show *Innocent*. In 2015 his audiobook exclusive *Six Degrees of Assassination* was a number-one bestseller. His debut thriller, *Eeny Meeny*, was the UK's bestselling crime debut of 2014 and has been followed by 14 more DI Helen



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Fall From Grace

Kitty Neale

Keynote

The brand new wartime saga from *Sunday Times* bestselling author Kitty Neale

Description

London, 1916. It's only when her father dies that Louisa and her mother realise just how much debt their once-wealthy family is in. The only way she can save them is by marrying old, rich and leery Mr Mullen - Louisa can't imagine a fate worse than that. So when charming up-and-coming businessman Dickie Newman offers to marry her after a chance encounter, it seems like the perfect escape. She has no idea how dangerous her new husband is.

1934. Being Dickie's daughter has given Grace a life of luxury that many people can't imagine. She's never thought about where all the money comes from. But there's only so long she can live in blissful ignorance. Once her eyes are opened to her truth, there's no going back. But Dickie has no intention of letting her walk away...

The brand new thrilling saga from Kitty Neale, full of her signature twists and turns. Preorder now!

Discover why readers love Kitty Neale...

'I stayed up all night reading it. Best book I've read in a long time!'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Kitty Neale's books are so true to life it makes you think you're part of the story'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'I'm a big fan of Kitty Neale's books and just can't put them down... An amazing author'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'I love Kitty Neale's books - only trouble is I can't get housework done!'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

Sales Points

- **MILLION-COPY BESTSELLING AUTHOR:** Kitty Neale has sold over a million copies of her books through TCM. Her loyal fans can't get enough of the drama, emotion and strong women that trademark her heart-wrenching and gritty London-based sagas.
- **OUR BIGGEST SAGA BRAND:** Kitty Neale is one of our major brand authors at Orion, and she always has the campaign and ambition to match. We are investing a lot into these books, from photoshoots for the cover to consumer research to bespoke advertising. We see her sitting alongside Dilly Court and Rosie Goodwin.

Author Biography

Kitty Neale was brought up in Battersea, a child born during WW2. She wrote gritty sagas for many years, drawing on her experiences of growing up in London. Her daughter, Sam, now carries on the Kitty Neale legacy. She lives in Spain.

Market

Rosie Goodwin, Katie Flynn, Dilly Court

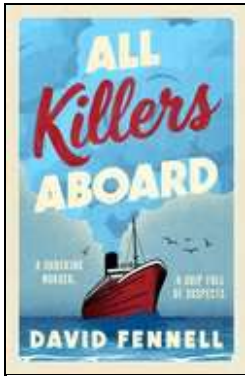
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Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA
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All Killers Aboard

A deathly funny, unputdownable murder mystery you won't want to miss in 2026!

David Fennell

Keynote

A deathly funny, unputdownable murder mystery filled with delicious twists and devious suspects! Set on a luxury cruise ship, this annual gathering of serial killers turns deadly when the golden rule is broken: no murders at conference! Perfect for fans of **Rob Rinder**, **Janice Hallett** and **Alice Slater**.

Description

A deathly funny, unputdownable murder mystery filled with delicious twists and devious suspects - perfect for fans of KNIVES OUT!

'Highly original and relentlessly funny!' M. W. CRAVEN

'Dark, dazzling and deliciously twisty' JAMIE WEST

'Deliciously fun, twisty, and addictive' WILL DEAN

A shocking murder.
A ship full of suspects.

On a luxury cruise from Southampton to New York, the annual gathering of the mysterious Midnight Chorus Society is in full swing. Unbeknownst to the rest of the innocent passengers, the deadly convention is made up entirely of serial killers, wannabes and their fans.

Travelling on board is Hollywood royalty Jacqui Dulac, star of the television show *Lady Detective*, and her latest ghost-writer, Martha Hammond. Yet when Martha witnesses a shocking murder on deck, with a single red button found near the crime scene, the quarrelling duo must put aside their differences to become real-life detectives...

But with a cruise liner full of the world's most notorious serial killers, they both know that when there's been one murder, another is sure to follow. And as a storm rocks the ship, can Martha and Jacqui identify the killer before it's too late?

Sales Points

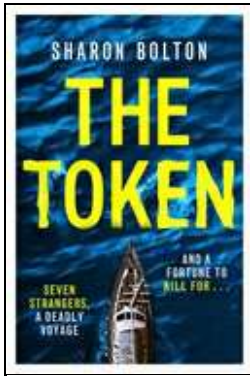
- **STRONG HOOK & CONCEPT:** The serial killer/cruise ship concept is a clear, commercial hook we can communicate with readers, retailers, journalists and influencers. It lends itself to a fun and innovative comms campaign and strong, arresting package
- **RIGHTS POTENTIAL:** This idea has been developed based on market feedback from our rights and international teams, and we see this sitting in the same space as SERIAL KILLERS GUIDE TO MARRIAGE which was an international rights sensation
- **WELL CONNECTED AUTHOR/AGENT:** David Fennell is a bestselling author and prize-winner. His strong connections within the industry, alongside his agent David Headley means the hardback will be supported by Goldsboro Books, Capital Crime and Confessions of a Bookseller podcast on launch, a bestseller launchpad for authors such as Stuart Turton, Araminta Hall and Tom Hindle
- **A FRESH TAKE ON A MODERN CLASSIC:** this is a fun and entertaining take on Agatha Christie, and will appeal to golden age mystery fans as well as contemporary serial killer thriller readers

Author Biography

David Fennell was born and raised in Belfast during the Troubles. He left for London at the tender age of eighteen and jobbed as a chef, waiter and bartender for several years before starting a career as a writer in the software industry. He is now a full time novelist. David is the author of the multi award nominated SLEEPER series and the popular GRACE ARCHER crime series. His sixth novel, A VIOLENT HEART, won the 2025 Capital Crime Thriller of the Year award.

Market

Tom Hindle, Rob Rinder



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Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can
Author born in	Lancashire
Author living in	Long Crendon, Oxfordshire

Previous Titles

The Split
Blood Harvest
The Pact
Dead Woman Walking
Little Black Lies
Dead Scared
Sacrifice
The Fake Wife
The Craftsman
The Dark

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The Token

Seven strangers, a dangerous crossing and a fortune to die for

Sharon Bolton

Keynote

Linked by a secret and seduced by the fortune of a billionaire, seven strangers board a ship to a remote island. Will anyone make it back to shore alive?

Description

'Seven beneficiaries. Seven people who stood to gain a huge amount of money, for a reason none of them yet understood.'

Seven strangers receive a mysterious note informing them of their impending inheritance of billionaire Logan Quick's fortune. They each receive a token and soon embark on a doomed cruise where they will have to conquer their own demons, and each other, for a chance at the money.

But someone on this boat has something to hide.

Can the survivors work out the truth...or are they too doomed to drown?

Sales Points

- **HUMAN NATURE, REVEALED:** With convincing characters and a strong emotional heart, this is an elevated thriller from a classy operator that speaks to the darker side of human nature. Who deserves justice and who is best placed to deliver it?
- **MONEY AND MURDER:** With a windfall of cash on the line, and a cast of characters with dubious motives, THE TOKEN explores justice, guilt and the burden of wealth.
- **A STELLAR SALES TRACK:** Sharon Bolton is a million-copy bestseller, and is worth £2.5 million through the UK TCM.
- **DIGITAL BESTSELLER:** With her shocking twists and unique hooks, Sharon Bolton is a No 1. Kindle and No 1. Apple bestseller in the UK and US.

Author Biography

Sharon (formerly S J) Bolton lives in Buckinghamshire with her husband and, occasionally, her grown up son and is working on her eighteenth novel; her eighth with Orion.

Her first book, Sacrifice, was voted Best New Read by Amazon.uk, whilst her second, Awakening, won the 2010 Mary Higgins Clark Award (part of the prestigious Edgars) in the US. In 2014, she won the CWA Dagger in the Library. She has been shortlisted for the CWA Gold Dagger, the CWA Steel Dagger, the Theakston's Prize for Best Thriller, the International Thriller Writers' Best First Novel award, the Prix Du Polar in France and the Martin Beck award in Sweden.

Market

For readers who enjoy Jeneva Rose, Freida McFadden and Colleen Hoover



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Thema 1.6	Crime and / or mystery fiction (FF)
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Author living in	Manchester, UK

Previous Titles

The Family, Running Scared

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The Child

Mandasue Heller

Keynote

The brand-new page-turner you won't be able to forget from bestselling author Mandasue Heller

Description

The *Sunday Times* Top Ten bestselling author is back with her unputdownable new thriller!

SHE INHERITED HIS FORTUNE. AND HIS SECRET SON...

Isla Hanson has the perfect life: a big house in the suburbs and a doting, older husband, Jerry. Only one thing is missing - a baby.

When Jerry dies suddenly, Isla's world is torn apart. Especially when a young woman turns up at the funeral and claims that Jerry is her baby's father.

Isla is sure that her husband wouldn't have betrayed her, but as she listens to Melanie's story, she begins to doubt everything about the man she loved.

And she soon realises the lengths she'll go to keep the small child in her life...

Sales Points

- **MANDASUE AT HER BEST** - Mandasue's at the top of her writing game, with her latest release, *The Family* being dubbed as her best ever book by fans and big bestsellers like Kimberley Chambers and Roberta Kray.
- **EXCITING NEW HOOK** - One of Mandasue's most compelling story setups to date. Guaranteed to resonate with readers yet to discover her across the world, in addition to her huge Manchester fanbase.

Author Biography

I wrote my first book when I was taken ill and had to quit singing for a while. I based it in the Hulme Crescents, where I had spent 10 of some of the best and absolute worst years of my life. It was a squatters paradise when I moved in, and a notorious no-go zone for the police. Violent crimes were commonplace and drugs were rife. I saw a fair few friends get sucked into the hell of addiction - and lost too many of them because of it. Those were the bad times, but then the musicians and artists started moving in. A friend once described it as being like Glastonbury all year round, and it really was. I wanted to capture the spirit of the place in my writing - the good and the bad; but I quickly discovered that I couldn't write about real people. I'd start, but then I'd become conscious of what they might think of it and that would inhibit me. So I decided to take a stab at inventing characters instead, using the Crescents as the backdrop for their stories. And, guess what? It worked!

Market

For fans of Martina Cole, Roberta Kray, and Kimberley Chambers

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THIS YEAR IT WILL BE DIFFERENT 9781398715387	

Previous Titles

THE COPPER BEECH (92); EVENING CLASS (96); TARA ROAD (98); SCARLET FEATHER (2000); QUENTINS (02); NIGHTS OF RAIN AND STARS (04); WHITETHORN WOODS (06); THIS YEAR IT WILL BE DIFFERENT (07); THE MAEVE BINCHY WRITERS' CLUB (08); HEART AND SOUL (08); THE RETURN JOURNEY (09); MINDING FRANKIE (2010); A WEEK IN WINTER (2012); CHESTNUT STREET (2014); A FEW OF THE GIRLS (2015)

The Glass Lake

The spellbinding, heartbreaking yet uplifting story of families, secrets and the price of love

Maeve Binchy

Keynote

A missing woman, a lost letter, a daughter's secret . . .

A tangled, touching story of love, loss and misunderstandings from the No.1 bestselling author

With a new introduction from Pandora Sykes

Description

'THE GLASS LAKE is Maeve Binchy at her spellbinding best - you'll never want it to end' *Woman's Journal*

'Maeve Binchy really knows what makes women tick. She crystallises their hopes, dreams and passions in her novels and now she has done it again in THE GLASS LAKE ... a marvellous read' *Daily Mirror*

Kit McMahon lives in the small Irish town of Lough Glass, a place where nothing changes - until the day Kit's mother disappears and Kit is haunted by the memory of her, alone at the kitchen table, tears streaming down her face.

Now Kit, too, has secrets: of the night she discovered a letter and burned it, unopened. The night her mother was lost. The night everything changed forever...

Sales Points

- Reissued in the gorgeous new livery with a brand new introduction from Pandora Sykes
- Maeve Binchy is a global No.1 bestseller.
- Her novels have sold over 17 million copies in Orion alone - around the world, the number reaches 40 million copies.
- Maeve remains one of our most successful and best-loved authors, read internationally and translated into 30 languages.

Reviews

- 'Maeve Binchy really knows what makes women tick. She crystallises their hopes, dreams and passions in her novels and now she has done it again in THE GLASS LAKE ... a marvellous read' - *DAILY MIRROR*
- 'Make no mistake, there is magic at work' - *SUNDAY TIMES*
- 'THE GLASS LAKE is Maeve Binchy at her spellbinding best - you'll never want it to end' - *WOMAN'S JOURNAL*
- 'She has great warmth and humour, and a real gift for human moments' - *THE TIMES*
- 'An irresistible tale' - *ELLE*

Author Biography

Maeve Binchy was born in County Dublin and educated at the Holy Child convent in Killiney and at University College, Dublin. After a spell as a teacher she joined the *Irish Times*. Her first novel, *LIGHT A PENNY CANDLE*, was published in 1982 and she went on to write over twenty books, all of them bestsellers. Several have been adapted for cinema and television, including *TARA ROAD*. Maeve Binchy received a *LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD* at the *BRITISH BOOK AWARDS* in 1999 and the *Irish PEN/A. T. CROSS AWARD* in 2007. In 2010 she was presented with the *BOB HUGHES LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD* at the *BORD GAIS IRISH BOOK AWARDS* by the President of Ireland. She was married to the writer and broadcaster Gordon Snell for 35 years, and died in 2012. Visit her website at www.maevebinchy.com

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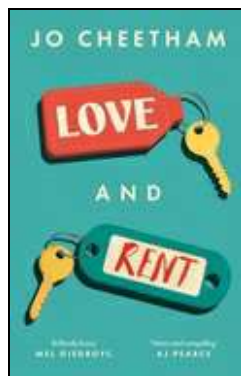


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Love and Rent

Jo Cheetham

Keynote

A hilarious and heartfelt anti-romantic comedy from an irresistible new voice, *Love and Rent* is *Bridget Jones' Diary* for Generation Rent

Description

'Warm, wise, witty and wet-your-pants hilarious' Laura Bates

Hannah is in her mid-thirties and struggling to make ends meet when she is introduced to her best friend's affluent colleague Oscar Jennington-Bridge and asks him out on a date by mistake.

It's not exactly love at first sight, but somehow their awkward first encounter becomes a tentative relationship. Before she knows it, Hannah finds herself relocating halfway across the country to move in with Oscar, despite his terrible glassware (old Nutella jars), his terrible towels (the sort you'd throw in the boot of the car if you were taking a dog to the beach) and his terrible collection of watercolours (painted by his mother).

Hannah has always hated romantic comedies where a man holds the key to a woman's happy ending. But when you're barely surviving from paycheck to paycheck, how are you meant to afford your own?

Irrepressibly funny and unexpectedly moving, *Love and Rent* is a brilliantly observed and original novel about love, friendship and forging your own path.

Sales Points

- **Passionate champions:** Jo Cheetham's writing has won her many high-profile admirers, including Fearne Cotton, Mel Giedroyc, AJ Pearce, Jenny Colgan and Laura Bates.
- **Fresh take on popular genre:** This is a hilarious and heartfelt feminist rom-com that prioritises the heroine's own happiness and independence over ending up with a man. Told from an underrepresented perspective in this space, it explores topical themes of money and class as well as love of all kinds.
- **Debut novel from a beloved writer:** Jo Cheetham is a natural fiction writer with an irrepressibly funny voice - this sparkling debut novel marks the beginning of a very exciting career.

Reviews

- **'Funny and inspiring'** - *Guardian (on Killjoy)*
- **'Fiercely funny, truly fascinating and inspiring and touching in equal measure . . . Life-affirming and brilliantly told, I was hooked from the first page. I loved it'** - *Mel Giedroyc (on Killjoy)*
- **'Funny, frank and fearless . . . Killjoy is just like its author: warm, wise, witty and wet your pants hilarious'** - *Laura Bates (on Killjoy)*
- **'Funny, warm and compelling, Jo Cheetham's Killjoy is a hugely readable real-life story of friendship, solidarity and taking on the big guys'** - *AJ Pearce (on Killjoy)*

Author Biography

Jo Cheetham grew up in Yorkshire and now lives in Sheffield. Her acclaimed memoir *Killjoy*, told the story of her experience campaigning against sexism in the tabloid press. She has a PhD in art history, but only uses her Dr title when ordering online deliveries from fancier supermarkets. *Love and Rent* is her first novel.

Market

FOR FANS OF: *The Wedding People* by Alison Espach, *Margo's Got Money Troubles* by Rufi Thorpe, *Good Material* by Dolly Alderton, *I'm Sorry You Feel that Way* by Rebecca Wait and *The Rachel Incident* by Caroline O'Donoghue



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Author living in	London, SW16

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Queenie
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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
'NO ONE TELLS A STORY LIKE CARTY WILLIAMS...FULL OF SO MUCH HEART, HUMOUR AND HONESTY' - Bolu Babalola
'FIZZING WITH LIFE, FUN AND SENSUAL' - Diana Evans
'A WELCOMED RETURN...ENOUGH GASPS TO LEAVE YOU BURSTING AT THE SEAMS' - Yomi Şode

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.

Reviews

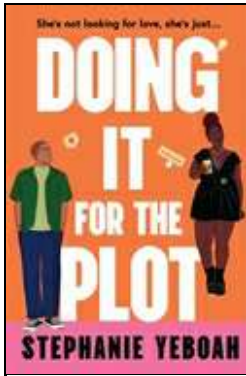
- 'Queenie's return is welcome and delightfully assured. Fizzing with life, fun and sensual energy, she is one of modern UK fiction's great heroines.' - *Diana Evans*
- 'I cannot tell you how much I loved this second slice of Queenie's life. I laughed and cried, and was once again in awe of Candice Carty-Williams ability to depict a real, imperfect life in such a captivating way. I flew through every page, and my only request is that we get to check in again at some point in the future.' - *Jennie Godfrey, author of THE LIST OF SUSPICIOUS THINGS*
- 'In *Queenie Is Working On It*, Candice Carty-Williams reminds us of the power in community, friends, and family. We join an older Queenie Jenkins in all of her thoughts, process and indecisions. Her conflict, fight and absolutions. A welcomed return filled with enough gasps to leave you bursting at the seams!' - *Yomi Şode*

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



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Doing it for the Plot

The perfect addictive, laugh-out-loud and swoon-worthy romcom for 2026!

Stephanie Yeboah

Keynote

Bridget Jones Diary meets *The Wedding Date* in this hilarious, witty and unputdownable romance about a woman who hires an escort after a string of bad dates and ends up falling for him.

Description

'Snort-out-loud funny, warm and moving' **Lizzie Damilola Blackburn on CHAOTIC ENERGY**

Cassie's not looking for love. She's just doing it for the plot...

Cassie is looking for a man. She knows exactly what she doesn't want: no one with a podcast, more Instagram followers than her and definitely no one who is 'in between' jobs. It should be easy enough, but London's soul-crushing dating scene (and her dry spell) is making it harder than it should be...

So when Cassie comes across OuiMeet, an app for hiring escorts, she signs up as a laugh! Until she sees Jericho: smooth and sexy, he's just her type. Their chemistry in person is electric too and it's just a little bit of fun...right?

The rules of their arrangement are clear but there's just one problem: she's starting to fall for him...

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'I absolutely devoured this book - it was unputdownable!' **Reader review**

⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Refreshing, funny, sassy characters and a lovely modern day romance' **Reader review**

⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'You're going to laugh, you're going to get angry, you're going to gasp, you're going to probably cry a lil too... and you will enjoy every second of it! I sure did!' **Reader review**

⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Perfect summer read. laughed so much. an amazing fictional debut!' **Reader review**

⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

Sales Points

- DEBUT FICTION FROM AN AUTHOR WITH A STRONG PLATFORM - Stephanie Yeboah has around 300k followers across her social media, and this is her first fiction outing.
- PUBLICITY-PERFECT AUTHOR FOR THEMES - author has carved out a strong space as a body image advocate, so can speak to the themes of Black femininity and body image from an authentic place.

Author Biography

Stephanie Yeboah is a body image advocate with 233,000 followers on Instagram and almost 50,000 followers on Twitter. She is the author of *FATTILY EVER AFTER*, her 2020 memoir.

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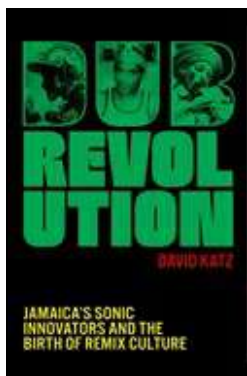
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Dub Revolution Jamaica's Sonic Innovators and the Birth of Remix Culture

David Katz

Keynote

A monumental history of reggae's most innovative and sonically adventurous sub-genre, from the leading authority on reggae music and its many subcultures

Description

The most abstract, playful and confounding of reggae subgenres, dub is a vital component of sound system culture that has wielded disproportionate influence. Emerging as an underground phenomenon in Kingston during the early 1970s, dub was wrought by sonic alchemists such as King Tubby, Lee 'Scratch' Perry, Prince Jammy and Scientist, conjuring musical mutations at the mixing desk. Dub reached other lands through the Jamaican diaspora and as Lloyd 'Bullwackie' Barnes furthered the form in New York, Dennis Bovell, Mad Professor and Adrian Sherwood conjured their own dub masterworks in London, Jah Shaka and his acolytes subsequently helping dub to achieve global reach. Widely adopted by post-punk producers and later a crucial influence on the underground dance music scenes of several continents, dub indelibly changed the techniques and aesthetics of music production with far-reaching effects; it's no exaggeration to say that without dub, there would be no hip-hop or house music.

Dub is made from studio trickery, its auteurs fashioning something new by subtraction rather than addition, reversing standard recording techniques. It is a music of absence and deception, a ghostly sonic doppelganger with bass primacy and torpedoed song structures, full of holes and unexpected twists. The evolution of dub marks the birth of the remix and the emergence of the studio as an instrument in itself, a place where songs can be pulled apart and given wild reshaping, rendering a disembodied new form that is often cosmic and typically jagged. Dub's progression is also inseparable from the troubled history of post-colonial Jamaica, blighted by caustic Cold War interventions, attendant gang culture and communal breakdowns. Through first-hand testimony with dub's most noteworthy creatives, David Katz's monumental forensic history of an astounding subgenre that sounds like the future five decades after its inception stands as the authoritative book on a musical art form that continues to fascinate, generation after generation.

Sales Points

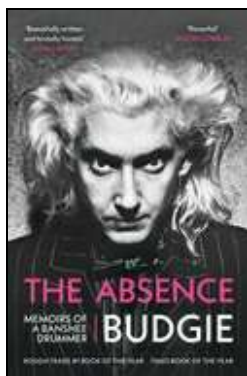
- **AUTHORITATIVE HISTORY:** There is no comparable book on the market which explores in such forensic detail the most celebrated and innovative of reggae's subcultures
- **RENOWNED AUTHOR:** David Katz is a worldwide authority on reggae, having written a celebrated oral history of the genre (*Solid Foundation*) and the authorised biography of Lee 'Scratch' Perry (both available from White Rabbit). He is also at the centre of Britain's reggae/dub scene in particular, running the famous Dub Me Always club night at the Ritzy in Brixton, which has been going for twenty years
- **CROSS-GENERATIONAL INTEREST:** The stature and importance of dub is such that this book will appeal to a huge range of readers, from old-school reggae heads to those more interested in dance music or hip-hop

Author Biography

The author of *People Funny Boy: The Genius of Lee 'Scratch' Perry* and *Solid Foundation: An Oral History of Reggae*, DAVID KATZ has written about the sounds and culture of Jamaica since 1984. His work has appeared in various music books and periodicals, including the *Guardian*, *Mojo* and the *Wire*; he has produced diverse radio and film documentaries and remains active as a vinyl DJ. Originally from San Francisco, he currently lives in London.

Market

READERS OF: *People Funny Boy* and *Solid Foundation* by David Katz; *Rebel Musix, Scribe on a Vibe* by Vivien Goldman; *Positive Vibrations* by Stuart Borthwick; *Too Much Too Young* by Daniel Rachel; *There and Back Again* by Don Letts; *Bass Culture* by Lloyd Bradley; *Roots, Radicals and Rockers* by Billy Bragg; *And the Roots of Rhythm Remain* by Joe Boyd



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The Absence Memoirs of a Banshee Drummer

Budgie

Keynote

A rollercoaster post punk memoir by a cult hero of the 1980s

Description

As a member of Big in Japan, The Slits and, most famously, Siouxsie and the Banshees and The Creatures, 'Budgie' was an era-defining drummer in the much-mythologised post punk scene of the late 1970s and early 1980s.

But before he was Budgie, Peter Clarke was a boy growing up in working class St Helens in the 1960s. The loss of his mum at a young age created the absence that haunts the pages of this book. As a teenager disenchanted with art school in Liverpool, Peter became Budgie and befriended the likes of Jayne Casey, Pete Burns and other luminaries of the legendary Eric's Club before taking off for London and the big city heat of punk. Budgie's unique technique and musical sensitivity endeared him to the all-female group The Slits, who asked him to play on their debut album *Cut*. Subsequent touring with former members of the Sex Pistols and others from the post punk aristocracy firmly established Budgie's reputation for innovation.

But the beating heart of this at times painfully honest account of a life often sabotaged is, of course, his long-term position as Siouxsie and the Banshees' drummer and co-writer alongside his ex-wife Siouxsie Sioux. Their creative partnership produced some of the most seductive and celebrated pop music of the decade. Eventually, their personal relationship started to fall apart, with inevitable consequences for both bands. *The Absence* is bravely unflinching in its dissection of how and why this happened, and powerfully moving in its account of the angels that emerged to heal both these wounds and those of a mother's lost love. A man and musician whose creativity and singular style came to define the goth-pop 1980s, Budgie's life is both fabulously glamorous and a cautionary tale. For the first time the story of the era's most exalted and mysterious bands has been told by one who survived inside the belly of the beast.

Sales Points

- **STRONG CORNER OF THE MARKET:** The success of post punk books like *Rip it Up and Start Again*, *Art Sex Music*, *Clothes Music Boys* and *Bunnyman* speaks to the keen audience for books and stories emerging from this period
- **BROAD FANBASE:** for fans of The Slits, Siouxsie and the Banshees, The Cure, Joy Division, Big in Japan, Jesus and Mary Chain, Sisters of Mercy - 80s goth/indie music - a deep and broad constituency who will be interested in reading this book
- **REVELATORY CONTENT:** This is not a standard music memoir: it's a breathless ride through creativity, vulnerability, damage and excess featuring never-before-seen tales from this legendary period

Reviews

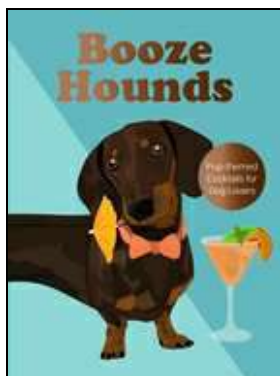
- 'Beautifully written, brutally honest, a travelogue of self discovery by one of the most unique artists still reaching new levels of musical experimentation' - LYDIA LUNCH
- 'Both dazzlingly extraordinary and heartbreakingly familiar' - MIKI BERENYI
- 'A look inside the heart of a drum god and a behind-the-scenes exposé of one of the most iconic bands in music history' - TERRI NUNN

Author Biography

Peter Clarke (Budgie) was born in 1957 in St. Helens in the Northwest of England. He studied Fine Art at the Gamble Institute and at Liverpool College of Art, before taking a sabbatical in 1977 to join a band . . . or two. He is known internationally for his unique style of drumming on 'The Slits' debut album, *Cut* (1979), and as writer, arranger and multi-instrumentalist, with both Siouxsie And The Banshees (1979-1996) and The Creatures (1981-2004). Self-taught, his influences range from Ringo to Rothko (via Ravel).

Market

FOR READERS OF: *Bunnyman* by Will Sergeant, *Tenement Kid* by Bobby Gillespie, *Clothes Music Boys* by Viv Albertine, *Spaceships Over Glasgow* by Stuart Braithwaite, *Girl in a Band* by Kim Gordon



Boozehounds Pup-themed Cocktails for Dog Lovers

Virginia Woof

Keynote

The perfect gift for dog lovers - mix your favourite canine-themed cocktails and mocktails while enjoying hilarious puns and 60+ beautiful bespoke illustrations for each drink.

Description

Boozehounds is a hilarious and beautifully illustrated book featuring over 60 canine-themed cocktails and mocktails that are sure to impress any dog lover.

Virginia Woof has infused each recipe with her undying love of 'man's best friend'. From the classic Vodka Muttini to a refreshing Canine Cooler, each cocktail recipe is illustrated with adorable dog illustrations and step-by-step instructions for mixing and garnishing.

Whether you're hosting your pup's birthday party or just want to enjoy a Bulldog Highball at home at the end of a long day, this book is a must-have gift for any dog-loving cocktail enthusiast.

Sales Points

- Easy gift for dog lovers
- Beautiful bespoke artwork accompanies each cocktail
- Follow-up to *Shaken Not Purred* (cat cocktails) which has sold 12k copies through Genesis. Publishing a dog book companion will give another opportunity to pitch both together to retailers and media outlets.

Author Biography

"Virginia Woof" (aka Mark Davison) is an award-winning copywriter, creative, and narrative designer who has written for food and drink brands such as Aperol, Campari, William Grant & Sons, Lavazza, Aldi, and Waitrose.

Mark splits his time between London and the mountains of Colorado, where he makes time between writing to explore the trails leading to and from his favourite restaurants.

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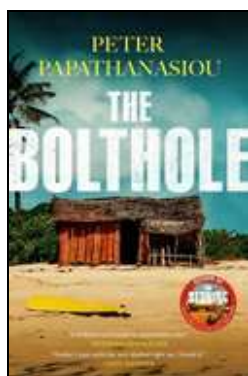
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The Bolthole

Peter Papathanasiou

Keynote

Detective Sergeant George Manolis and Senior Constable Sparrow travel to a remote Australian island to investigate the death of a rich newcomer to the community

Description

"A rising star of crime fiction" *Sunday Times*

"Outback noir has a new star" *The Times*

Located off the coast of South Australia, Kangaroo Island lies surrounded by violent seas harbouring deadly great white sharks and forgotten shipwrecks.

Over the centuries the Islanders have cultivated a sense of self-sufficiency, independence and resilience. But times are changing: multimillionaires from the mainland are building immense cliff-top mansions and filling the skies with private planes and helicopters. A quiet paradise is being transformed into a bolthole for the rich and privileged. And the locals aren't happy.

Richard Marlowe, a wealthy "blow-in" to the island, goes missing, last seen wading into the ocean for a dawn swim. A shark attack is blamed, but things don't add up. Reuniting for a new investigation, Detective Sergeant Manolis and Senior Constable Sparrow arrive on the island, but their presence isn't welcomed, either. Faced with hostility from both Islanders and newcomers, their attempts to locate the missing man are derailed by a civil war over limited resources, a fragile environment, and fractured community dynamics.

REVIEWS FOR *THE STONING*

"Political crime fiction of a high order" *Sunday Times*

"Deliciously dark outback noir" *Guardian*

Sales Points

- More than 30,000 copies sold of Papathanasiou's books in MacLehose Press editions
- *The Stoning* was hailed as the crime debut of the year and nominated for the CWA Gold Dagger
- *The Bolthole* brings together two successful sub-genres of the crime market: Outback Noir and the destination thriller, set on apparently paradise island that is anything but

Reviews

- 'Peter Papathanasiou provides a vivid guide to the history and geography of Australia's third largest island before the case becomes a frantic and fearsome murder investigation. **Think 'The White Lotus' directed by Steven Spielberg'** - *Times*

Author Biography

Peter Papathanasiou was born in northern Greece and adopted as a baby to an Australian family. His writing has been published internationally by *The New York Times*, *Guardian*, *Sydney Morning Herald*, *The Age*, *The Canberra Times*, *Daily Telegraph*, The ABC, SBS, *Huffington Post*. He also holds an MA in Creative Writing from City University, London, and a PhD in Biomedical Sciences from the Australian National University. His first book, a memoir *Son of Mine* was published in 2019 by Salt.

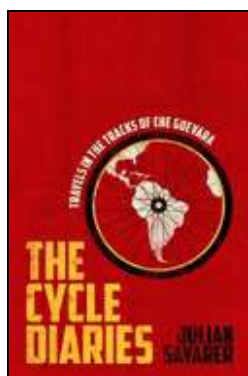
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The Cycle Diaries

Julian Sayerer

Keynote

Stanford Dolman Travel Book of the Year-winning author takes on his greatest challenge yet: 10,000 kilometres across South America tracing the epic journey of a 20th century icon

Description

Armed with a copy of *The Motorcycle Diaries*, Julian Sayerer sets out on his bicycle in a quest to follow the 1952 journey of Ernesto "Che" Guevara through Latin America.

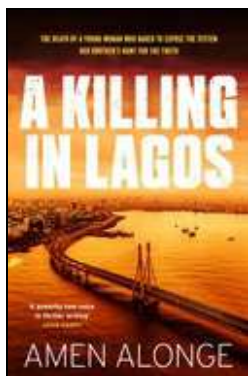
From the emptiness of the Argentine Pampa, to the vast Atacama Desert and the mighty Amazon River, the road reveals the story of Guevara himself, and of indigenous Mapuche communities shut inside reserves, lumber wars, copper mines, coca plantations and oil pipelines.

Bringing the Diaries into a new century, Sayerer explores what has changed and what has stayed the same, taking in the history of the Cold War and the colonial conquest that came before it. His journey shows also that global politics can never truly be left behind, introducing him to socialist pensioners who have retired outside of the US and the reach of the FBI, and refugees of war trying to treat their trauma with ayahuasca. Meanwhile, meetings with Palestinian diplomats and a distant diaspora offer a reminder of events that are impossible to escape even half a world away.

The altitude of the Andes and Altiplano, and roaring headwinds of Patagonia, make for a seldom easy ten thousand kilometre trip, but Sayerer is propelled by a desire to understand a century and a continent shaped by war and empire, and finds in the pedal strokes of adventure a small act of resistance: the simple freedom of life on two wheels.

Author Biography

JULIAN SAYARER cycled a half dozen times across Europe to his second nation of Türkiye before before breaking a world record for a circumnavigation by bicycle, and going on to write *Life Cycles* (2014). He is the winner of the Stanford Dolman Travel Writing Award for *Interstate* (2016), an account of hitchhiking through middle America, and is the author of *Messengers* (2016), *All at Sea* (2017), *Fifty Miles Wide* (2020), Ondaatje Prize-longlisted *Iberia* (2021), and *Türkiye* (2023). Julian combines a background in political science to create a critically acclaimed travel writing style - politics at roadsides. In this 12mph view of the world in passing, he uses human stories and journeys to document global issues for a broad audience. His writing has appeared in the *London Review of Books*, the *Guardian*, *Financial Times*, *Aeon Magazine*, and in numerous cycling publications.



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A Killing in Lagos a fast-paced must-read suspense

Amen Alonge

Keynote

The must-read suspense thriller of summer 2026. Perfect for fans of Femi Kayode, Michael Connolly and Dennis Lehane.

Description

It's dawn in Lagos. Sifting through mounds of rubbish dumped overnight from the affluent Island estates, a man and his son are shocked to discover the body of a young woman amongst the waste. **Kike Bankole** was an investigative journalist, fearless in exposing injustice. She was also the daughter of one of the most influential men in Nigeria.

Kike's brother, **Remi**, works as a lawyer in London. He's not returned to his hometown for nearly a decade after an incident that ripped his family apart. But when Remi hears of his sister's death, he's on the next flight, determined to stand by his family despite the wounds of the past.

As soon as he steps off the plane in Lagos, Remi is sucked back into a world he's learned to both love and hate. Amongst a system driven by tradition, religion and the relentless pursuit of power, he embarks on a mission of finding the truth behind his sister's murder. **And as it turns out, there were many who would benefit from Kike's death.**

Readers love Amen Alonge

'One of those books that you hate to put down'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Totally captivating' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Keeps you on your toes, always wanting more'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Addictive and entertaining' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Can't. Stop. Reading!' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

Sales Points

- **PERFECT FOR** fans of Femi Kayode, Michael Connolly and Dennis Lehane
- **CRITICALLY-ACCLAIMED AUTHOR** returns with his signature **fast-paced, action-packed style** that readers and reviewers loved in his debut, *A Good Day to Die*

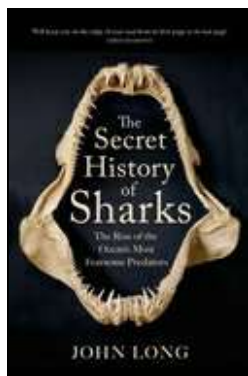
Reviews

- **'PRAISE FOR AMEN ALONGE: 'Remarkable''** - *Sunday Times*
- **'Fast, hard, unrelenting'** - *Daily Mail*
- **'Action-packed, gripping, and wildly entertaining . . . a powerful new voice in thriller writing and a talent to watch'** - *Adam Hamdy*

Author Biography

Amen Alonge was born in Lagos and moved to London as a teenager. He holds a Master's degree from Heriot-Watt University in Edinburgh and began his career as an engineer, before training in screenwriting at the London Film Academy. He later ran the family sports media business, which owned the global licensing rights for the Nigerian Football League.

Amen is now a qualified solicitor practising corporate law, alongside writing fiction. He lives in London with his wife and their two children.



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The Secret History of Sharks The Rise of the Ocean's Most Fearsome Predators

John Long

Keynote

The definitive history of sharks, as told by a foremost world expert.

Description

'Will keep you on the edge of your seat from its first page to its last page' - Jared Diamond, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *Guns, Germs, and Steel*

From ancient megalodons to fearsome Great Whites, this book tells the complete, untold story of how sharks emerged as Earth's ultimate survivors, by world-leading paleontologist John Long.

Sharks have been fighting for their lives for 500 million years and today are under dire threat. They are the longest-surviving vertebrate on Earth, outlasting multiple mass extinction events that decimated life on the planet. But how did they thrive for so long? By developing superpower-like abilities that allowed them to ascend to the top of the oceanic food chain.

John Long, who for decades has been on the cutting edge of shark research, weaves a thrilling story of sharks' unparalleled reign. *The Secret History of Sharks* showcases the global search to discover sharks' largely unknown evolution, led by Long and dozens of other extraordinary scientists.

As the tale unfolds, Long introduces an enormous range of astonishing organisms: a thirty-foot-long shark with a deadly saw blade of jagged teeth protruding from its lower jaws and bizarre sharks fossilized while in their mating ritual. With insights into the threats to sharks today, how they contribute to medical advances, and the lessons they can teach us about our own survival, ***The Secret History of Sharks* is a riveting look at scientific discovery with ramifications far beyond the ocean.**

'This book is the work of a master scientist and storyteller. It will make you see sharks in a new way: not as blood-thirsty monsters that we should fear, but as nature's ultimate survivors' - Steve Brusatte, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Rise and Fall of the Dinosaurs*

'Readers will want to sink their teeth into this' - *Publishers Weekly*

'Thoroughly researched and wonderfully narrated, *The Secret History of Sharks* makes a convincing case that the story of sharks is nothing less than the story of life on Earth. Highly recommended!' - Nate Blakeslee, *New York Times* bestselling author of *American Wolf*

Sales Points

- The career-defining work by a world-renowned paleontologist.
- Already has a raft of good quotes and support so will be well set-up for publicity.

Author Biography

John Long is the strategic professor of paleontology at Flinders University, one of Australia's largest paleontological research groups. The former vice president of research and collections at the Museum of Natural History of Los Angeles County, Long has published more than 200 peer-reviewed papers, some 25 books and over 150 popular science articles. His groundbreaking research work on the evolution of fishes and the origins of sex has appeared in the magazines *Nature*, *Science*, and *Scientific American*.



Publication date	Tuesday, July 14, 2026
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Main Identifier	9781529448559
Thema 1.6	Modern and Contemporary romance (FRD) Romance (FR) Romance: fantasy and paranormal (FRT)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	416 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
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In-House Editor	Hannah Rossiter

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Die For Me

Shirlene Obuobi

Keynote

A stay-up-all-night, smart, spicy romance following a doctor who finds herself falling for an alluring, much-younger man with a deadly secret

Description

"I'm obsessed. Die for Me is utterly unique and still at its core about the most universal of stories: about a woman vanquishing fear through love." -Ali Hazelwood

Sean's not in the market for love. The only female, let alone Black, interventional cardiologist at her hospital, she's watched too many of her male colleagues divorce their first wives to marry younger models-and then there's the abusive relationship she's spent the better part of her early 30s healing from. Her passions are reserved for her best friend, her goddaughter, and her job.

Then she meets Julian. Brooding, beautiful and eleven years her junior. In short: A bad idea.

Julian pursues her in a way that sets off alarm bells in her mind, but she finds herself unable to resist their undeniable chemistry-even starts fantasizing about him in dreams that feel altogether too real. They also have a lot in common despite their age gap. So, to hell with it: If men can date younger, why can't she? But the more Sean gets to know him, the more impossible Julian seems: He has a depth and sorrow to him that's beyond his years, and sometimes there's a look in his eyes that's less than human, and leaves her feeling more like prey. Plus, Sean herself has been exhibiting odd symptoms-memory lapses, a lack of restraint that's unlike her, persistent exhaustion-that all trace back to Julian, making Sean feeling more than a little afraid. Who-or what-is she falling, irrevocably, in love with?

Extraordinarily transfixing, suspenseful, and addictive, Die for Me is nothing short of a seduction.

"Smart, sexy and addictive-a paranormal romance that hits every single craving. I loved it." - Abby Jimenez

"Edgy, sensual, powerful, Die For Me proves Obuobi to be an up-and-coming powerhouse. With deft genre-bending, Obuobi gives the romance and paranormal readers what they're salivating for-and then some." -Christina Lauren

Sales Points

- An exciting talent in romantic fiction, Shirlene is a Ghanaian-American Cardiology fellow, cartoonist and author.
- *Die for Me* is already receiving great, early support - Ali Hazelwood describes it as "utterly unique and still at its core about the most universal of stories: about a woman vanquishing fear through love". Abby Jimenez says its "smart, sexy and utterly addictive" and Christina Lauren raves "with deft genre-bending, Obuobi gives the romance and paranormal readers what they're salivating for-and then some."
- Perfect for fans of *Twilight* and *Son of the Morning* alike, *Die For Me* brilliantly captures the reader appetite for paranormal romances, pairing a stay-up-all-night, smart, spicy romance with a powerful interrogation of how society gaslights Black women.

Reviews

- "I'm obsessed. Die for Me is utterly unique and still at its core about the most universal of stories: about a woman vanquishing fear through love." - Ali Hazelwood
- "Smart, sexy and addictive-a paranormal romance that hits every single craving. I loved it." - Abby Jimenez
- "Edgy, sensual, powerful, Die For Me proves Obuobi to be an up-and-coming powerhouse. With deft genre-bending, Obuobi gives the romance and paranormal readers what they're salivating for-and then some." - Christina Lauren

Author Biography

Shirlene Obuobi is a Ghanaian-American Cardiology fellow. She also draws comics under the moniker ShirlyWhirl, M.D. Her comics have gained a steady following on Instagram and Facebook, international recognition in the medical community, and have been featured in *The Lancet*, *Axios*, Student Doctor Network, and more. In her spare time (ha!) she teaches zoom workshops on creative expression for medical students. *On Rotation* is her debut novel.



Publication date	Thursday, July 16, 2026
Price	£16.99 / ₹1599
Main Identifier	9781529446203
Thema 1.6	Thriller / suspense fiction (FH) Crime and / or mystery fiction (FF)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	352 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex UK, Can); Ire
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The Pool Party the explosive debut thriller you won't want to miss

Rebecca Bainbridge

Keynote

An unmissable debut suspense novel of motherhood, friendship, secrets and lies. Perfect for fans of Emily Edwards, Ashley Audrain and Liane Moriarty.

Description

DISCOVER YOUR NEW SUMMER OBSESSION

One summer's day. Two families. Countless secrets . . .

Kate is new to the idyllic village of Fletching. She's determined this move will be a fresh start for her family, though she misses her old life.

Melody has it all: she's as beautiful as her house, with a wealthy husband and two beloved children. But she'd love a friend she can rely on.

From the year's first school run, Kate and Melody grow close - a friendship formed during playdates and shared glasses of wine.

But when Melody's annual summer party turns into every parent's worst nightmare, a near-fatal accident threatens to expose secrets both women have kept beneath the surface.

Who is really to blame? And what have they been hiding?

'A debut that dazzles' ANDREA MARA

'Fans of Liane Moriarty will want to dive right in!' LIZZY BARBER

'The perfect summer page-turner' CHARLOTTE DUCKWORTH

'Utterly addictive - everything you want in a summer read' EMILY FREUD

'Taut, compelling and the perfect pairing with your sun lounger next summer' KIT CONWAY

Sales Points

- **PERFECT FOR:** fans of Liane Moriarty, Emily Edwards, Ashley Audrain and Gillian McAllister

Reviews

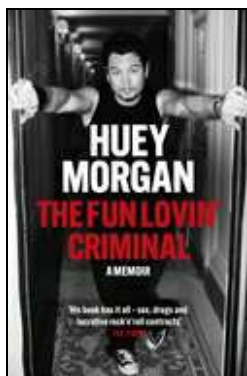
- 'A **pacy and sharply observed thriller** about the precariousness of 'school gate' friendships and the lengths we'll go to to protect our externally perfect veneers. **Fans of Liane Moriarty will want to dive right in!**' - *Lizzy Barber*
- 'An **utterly addictive and moving** portrait of marital breakdown, burrowing guilt and personal sorrow set against the unfeeling and competitive world of private schools and pool parties . . . **one to enjoy and devour** next summer' - *M. K. Oliver*
- 'Secrets and lies abound in Fletching, a picture-perfect - and expensive - village, where everyone is desperately trying to keep up appearances. *The Pool Party* **had me turning pages late into the night** with its insightful and clever dissection of competitive parenting, toxic marriages and school-gate frenemies. **The perfect summer page-turner for fans of *Big Little Lies*!**' - *Charlotte Duckworth*
- 'A finely-wrought story that **smoulders with menace from the first page** . . . builds steadily to **the most shocking of revelations** and like all the best stories has **a final sting in the tale**' - *Kathryn Sharman*

Author Biography

Rebecca Bainbridge is a new and exciting voice in the domestic suspense genre.

For readers of Liane Moriarty, Lucy Foley and Lisa Jewell, and lovers of character-driven family drama, Rebecca is a debut author whose experience as a global brand and marketing professional provides her with an insight into gaining and retaining attention and the very best storytelling.

Rebecca has led projects for organisations including Procter & Gamble, Warner Brothers, the BBC and Unilever. Having lived in Switzerland, France and Italy, she is passionate about languages, travel and culture, and is settled in the UK.



Publication date	Thursday, July 16, 2026
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Thema 1.6	Memoirs (DNC) Autobiography: arts and entertainment (DNBF1) Radio / podcasts (ATL) Musicians, singers, bands and groups (AVP)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	304 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	20 b/w or colour photos from the author's personal collection

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The Fun Lovin' Criminal

Huey Morgan

Keynote

The gutsy, thrilling and hugely entertaining memoir of 90s rap rock legend, Fun Lovin' Criminals' front-man Huey Morgan.

Description

When Fun Lovin' Criminals released their debut album *Come Find Yourself* in 1996, its fusion of hip-hop, funk, blues and rock quickly became one of the most iconic and influential records of the decade. Now, in this fascinating memoir, frontman Huey Morgan describes his remarkable journey from journeyman to rock star.

This is a story that begins in the early 1990s with a young man who, after returning to New York City from his time as a United States Marine, is struggling to cope with normal life. Huey begins his quest to become a rock star only to be sidetracked by his association with the New York criminal underworld. But as his band begins to take off, can he extract himself before his chance of stardom goes begging?

Written in Huey's indomitable and distinctive style, this is a book that brings the grit and glamour of 90s New York brilliantly to life.

Sales Points

- Huey has shows on both BBC Radio 6 and BBC Radio 2. BBC Radio 6 music has a weekly audience of 2.7 million, and BBC Radio 2 has a weekly audience of 13.6 million.

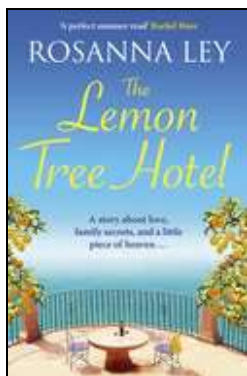
Author Biography

Huey Morgan grew up on the lower east side of NYC in the 70s and 80s, then toured the world with Fun Lovin' Criminals. He is a musician, DJ, producer and award-winning BBC broadcaster.

The Fun Lovin' Criminal wasn't just the name of his amazing platinum 90's song, it's also who Huey is.

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Main Identifier	9781529451269
Thema 1.6	Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA) Romance (FR) Romantic suspense (FRM)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	496 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
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In-House Editor	Stefanie Bierwerth

Book locale	Italian Riviera
Author born in	West Dorset
Author living in	West Dorset

Previous Titles

The Villa
Bay of Secrets
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The Little Theatre by the Sea
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The Lemon Tree Hotel escape to Italy with this romantic summer read of love and family secrets

Rosanna Ley

Keynote

An enchanting, feel-good story about love, family secrets, and a little piece of heaven . . .

Description

**<h3>'Sun-soaked escapism' Best
'A gorgeous, mouth-watering dream of a holiday read!' Red</h3>**

In the beautiful village of Vernazza, the Mazzone family have transformed an old convent overlooking the glamorous Italian Riviera into the elegant Lemon Tree Hotel. For Chiara, her daughter Elene and her granddaughter Isabella, the running of their hotel is the driving force in their lives.

One day, two unexpected guests check in. The first, Dante, is a face from Chiara's past, but what exactly happened between them all those years ago, Elene wonders. Meanwhile, Isabella is preoccupied with the second guest, a mysterious young man who seems to know a lot about the history of the old convent and the people who live there.

Beneath the summer sun, Isabella is determined to find out his true intentions and discover the secret past of the Lemon Tree Hotel.

Readers LOVE *The Lemon Tree Hotel*

'Enchanting' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ READER REVIEW

'Delicious' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ READER REVIEW

'Beautiful' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ READER REVIEW

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'Heavenly!' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ READER REVIEW

Sales Points

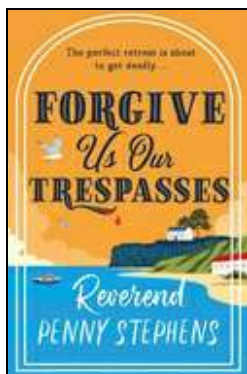
- **PURE ESCAPISM:** Perfect escapist fiction for the summer holidays
- **BESTSELLING AUTHOR:** across all formats, Rosanna Ley's books have sold over **750,000 copies**
- **BELOVED BY MEDIA:** Rosanna's writing has been described as 'a luminous, sun-soaked delight' (*Woman's Weekly*) and 'gently captivating' (*Heat*)

Reviews

- **'Beautifully written and gently captivating'** - *Heat*
- **'Sun-soaked escapism'** - *Best*
- **'A glorious read that feels like a summer holiday in a book'** - *People's Friend*
- **'Holiday romance at its most evocative and escapist'** - *The Lady*

Author Biography

Rosanna Ley works as a creative writing tutor and has written many articles and stories for national magazines. Her writing holidays and retreats take place in stunning locations in Spain and Italy. When she is not travelling, Rosanna lives in West Dorset by the sea.



Publication date	Thursday, July 16, 2026
Price	£16.99 / ₹1599
Main Identifier	9781529441482
Thema 1.6	Crime and mystery: cosy mystery (FFJ) Crime and mystery: women sleuths / detectives (FFS) Crime and mystery: private investigator / amateur detectives (FFD) Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	320 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Airports; Ire; World (ex USA, Can)
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Forgive Us Our Trespasses

Penny Stephens

Keynote

A cosy crime set in beachy Cornwall, in which a Reverend leading a retreat finds herself investigating the case of a missing person. Perfect for fans of Rev. Richard Coles and Tom Hindle

Description

REVEREND CLARE BRAKESPEAR RETURNS IN THIS CHARMING AND DELIGHTFULLY COSY CRIME NOVEL FROM THE AUTHOR OF *TILL DEATH US DO PART*.

THE PERFECT RETREAT IS ABOUT TO GET DEADLY . . .

When Reverend Clare Brakespear is invited to lead the Morva Hotel's annual 'Refresh and Renew' retreat, she's excited about the change of scene. A weeklong trip to Cornwall promises quiet reflection, sea air and a chance to unwind.

The last thing Clare expects is to find herself in the middle of unfinished business. As the guests arrive, tensions rise and old wounds reopen. Everyone's harbouring a secret and one of them may be the key to solving a year-long missing person case. When new evidence comes to light, Clare must team up once again with the prickly DCI Jackie Carter to uncover the truth - before the retreat turns deadly.

Praise for *Till Death Us Do Part*

'A new star in the crime-writing firmament' *Elly Griffiths*

'Take a pew for murder most reverend! Deliciously twisty . . . a cosy crime treat' *Janice Hallett*

'What a cracking read!' *J. M. Hall*

'Brilliantly fun . . . I was totally captivated' *Laura Marshall*

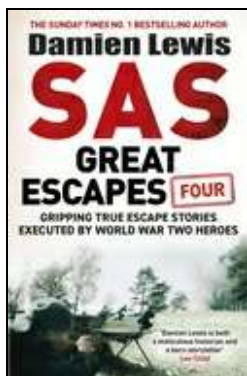
'Gripping . . . Rev. Penny Stephens' writing and storytelling is sublime' *Graham Barlett*

Sales Points

- A cosy mystery starring a vicar sleuth and her golden retriever. Perfect for fans of Rev. Richard Coles, Tom Hindle and S J Bennett.
- Like her main character, the author is a vicar
- Fans of the series include crime writing stalwarts Elly Griffiths, Janice Hallett, J. M. Hall and Laura Marshall

Author Biography

Rev. Penny Stephens was a vicar in a village parish before working as a hospice chaplain in East London and Kent. She now takes services in the Diocese of Rochester, where she is an Honorary Canon of the Cathedral. *Till Death Us Do Part* is Penny's debut novel.



Publication date	Thursday, July 16, 2026
Price	£10.99 / ₹999
Main Identifier	9781529441116
Thema 1.6	Autobiography: historical, political and military (DNBH1) Second World War (NHWR7) Military history (NHW)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	352 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); EU; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
In-House Editor	Richard Milner

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SAS GREAT ESCAPES
SAS BAND OF BROTHERS
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SAS Great Escapes Four

Damien Lewis

Keynote

The bestseller from Damien Lewis, the Regiment's de facto historian.

Description

'Damien Lewis is both a meticulous historian and a born storyteller' Lee Child

FIVE DARING ESCAPES CARRIED OUT BY THE FAMOUS FIGHTING FORCE DURING WWII

From the infamous 1944 desert campaign to the unforgiving terrain of the Vosges Mountains; from a perilous escape across Europe aided by Resistance networks to three Captains fleeing an Italian Prisoner of War camp in 1943, and a death-defying return to Britain via boat, tunnel and train.

These inspirational true stories bring to life the do-or-die spirit of the SAS, as they faced an enemy hell-bent on wreaking vengeance.

Damien Lewis has worked closely with World War Two veterans and the families of those portrayed, accessing never-before-seen wartime diaries, letters, mission reports, interrogation transcripts and more, to reveal terrifying yet astounding feats of survival from the band of elite soldiers.

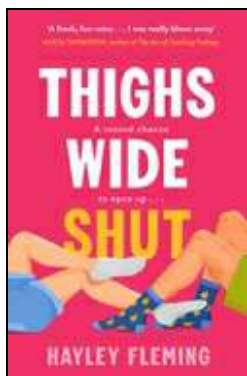
If you like Great Escapes Four, why not go back and discover the previous instalments in this bestselling series: Great Escapes, Great Escapes Two and Great Escapes Three.

Sales Points

- By acclaimed *Sunday Times* no. 1 bestseller Damien Lewis.
- Damien Lewis has numerous major film and television projects in development, including the film *THE MINISTRY OF UNGENTLEMANLY WARFARE* directed by Guy Ritchie, which was released in the US in April 2024 and that summer in the UK.
- Building on the bestselling and growing success of *SAS Great Escapes*, *SAS Great Escapes Two* and *SAS Great Escapes Three*

Author Biography

Damien Lewis is a number one bestselling author whose books have been translated into over forty languages worldwide. For decades he worked as a war and conflict reporter for the world's major broadcasters, reporting from across Africa, South America, the Middle and Far East and winning numerous awards. His books include the World War Two classics *The Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare*, *SAS Nazi Hunters*, *SAS Ghost Patrol*, *SAS Band of Brothers* and *SAS Forged in Hell*. A dozen of his books have been made, or are being made, into movies or TV drama series and several have been adapted as plays for the stage. *The Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare* has recently been released as a Guy Ritchie movie of the same name. He has raised tens of thousands of pounds for charitable concerns connected with his writings.



Publication date	Tuesday, July 21, 2026
Price	£10.99 / ₹999
Main Identifier	9781529451023
Thema 1.6	Modern and Contemporary romance (FRD) Romance: enemies to lovers (FRLE) Romance: friends to lovers (FRLC) Romantic comedies (FRB) Romance: unintentional or forced proximity (FRLH) Interest age: from c 17 years to c 29 years (SAV) Relating to people with hidden or invisible disabilities / disorders (5PMP) Content relating to body acceptance / body positivity (SYD)
Binding	Paperback
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Extent	368 pages
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Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
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Thighs Wide Shut

Hayley Fleming

Keynote

A hilarious and heartwarming second chance romance from a brilliant new voice, perfect for fans of Hannah Bonham-Young and *Sex Education*.

Description

'Hayley Fleming has such a fresh, fun voice and is sure to become an auto-buy author for romance fans after they read *Thighs Wide Shut* . . . I loved it!' - **Alicia Thompson, author of *The Art of Catching Feelings***

When Emma hits her quarter-life crisis and moves back to the city where she went to college, she finds herself neighbours with the boy whose heart she broke five years earlier in this heartfelt and witty second-chance debut romcom for fans of Hannah Bonham-Young and *Sex Education*.

Emma thought her late twenties couldn't get more complicated after she quit her teaching job and moved across the country to figure out what comes next. Her new life in Boston is filled with more than enough to worry about: a basement apartment full of disorganized boxes, a resistance to finding love, a medical condition, vaginismus, that holds her back from putting herself out there, and on top of it all she hears a familiar voice from the apartment above . . . Harrison.

Emma hasn't seen Harrison since an explosive fight ended their college friendship and closed the door on anything more between them - and now she can hear the details of his active dating life one floor above her. Emma only has herself to blame; her inability to be vulnerable with Harrison drove him away, and now, he's a guinea pig-owning paediatric nurse in a well-decorated apartment. Harrison has grown into someone else, but those old feelings are, somehow, stronger than Emma remembers.

Despite the opportunity of a second chance with Harrison, Emma remains wary of romance until she figures out how to manage the painful and involuntary pelvic floor contractions caused by her condition, so she doesn't have to fear physical intimacy. She hopes to avoid ever having to open up emotionally about the condition - but can she learn to let her loved ones in?

Equal parts humour and heart, *Thighs Wide Shut* is a love letter to anyone who's ever felt their body is a barrier to their happiness and a charming exploration of the beauty of allowing vulnerability to take the lead.

Sales Points

- **Debut:** A brilliantly written debut romcom from an excitingly strong new voice, perfect for fans of Hannah Bonham-Young, Rosie Danan, Lynn Painter and *Sex Education*.
- **Representation:** 1-6% of UK women are estimated to have vaginismus, and up to 1 in 10 experience pain during intimacy, yet there aren't any other romance books that reflect this experience - this book is for those women, as well as the wider romcom market.
- **Own voices:** Hayley Flemming writes sensitively from her own experiences, and is happy to talk about this in publicity and at events.
- **International appeal:** The romance genre continues to perform strongly internationally, and issues surrounding sex education and women's health are being spotlighted across the world, making this the perfect, fresh new romcom for readers internationally.
- **Dial Delights:** In the US, *Thighs Wide Shut* is being published by The Dial Press - the team behind Lyla Sage, Cara Bastone, Kate Goldbeck, Kate Robb and many more big names in romance!

Reviews

- 'Hayley Fleming has such a **fresh, fun voice** and is **sure to become an auto-buy author for romance fans** . . . I was really blown away by how Hayley **balances vulnerability with humor** to create two characters who I rooted for separately and who I desperately wanted to get together' - *Alicia Thompson, USA Today bestselling author of *The Art of Catching Feelings**

Author Biography

Hayley Fleming grew up in Florida, where she was raised by two novelists and surrounded by alligators and English professors. Nowadays, you can find her in Washington, D.C., doing nonprofit work by day and writing rom-coms by night. She loves writing mid-twenties characters who make messy decisions, struggle to be adults, and have dysfunctional pelvic floors. When she's not working or writing, you can find her chatting with her romance book club, singing alto in a local chorus, and scouring the internet for



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Havoc a blistering tragicomedy from the author of I'm Sorry You Feel That Way

Rebecca Wait

Keynote

Set in a run-down girls' boarding school in the 1980s, with the cold war still in full swing and featuring a curious case of mass psychogenic illness, *Havoc* promises to be a perfect tragicomedy.

Description

'A LABYRINTHINE MYSTERY OF EMOTIONAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL COMPLEXITY'

Jo Brand

'DELIRIOUS AND REWARDING' *Guardian*

'UNMISSABLE' *Woman's Weekly*

Fleeing Scotland in the wake of family disgrace, 16-year-old Ida Campbell secures a scholarship at a failing girls' boarding school on a remote part of the south English coast. Despite the eccentricities of her new Headmistress, who warns her of the dangers of the Cold War and the ever-present threat of *the bomb*, St Anne's seems like a refuge to Ida. But all this is about to change. For a start, her new room-mate is the infamous Louise Adler, potential arsonist and hardened outcast.

Meanwhile, the geography teacher Eleanor Alston, in her late thirties, a disastrous love affair in her wake, faces the new term with weary resignation. But the fragile ecosystem of the school is disrupted by the arrival of a new teacher, Matthew Langfield. Eleanor has an uneasy feeling he is not who he says he is.

And things only get worse when a mysterious sickness starts to spread throughout the school, causing strange limb jerks and seizures among the pupils. **What is happening to the girls of St Anne's? Could there be a poisoner among them? Is Ida's scholarship really an escape, or is it instead a new nightmare?**

READERS ARE LOVING HAVOC:

'Superb. Brilliantly funny, at times extremely poignant'

⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Another beautifully written book by Rebecca'

⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Utterly glorious, moving, enthralling and witty. I am so cross I have finished it'

⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'I absolutely loved the humour in this book. Bonus points for the Cold War references'

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'Entertaining and humorous' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

Praise for Rebecca Wait:

'IT'LL EASILY BE ONE OF MY BOOKS OF THE YEAR' Hannah Beckerman

'It's a warm book and a touching one. And did I mention it's funny? Just read it. You'll see' *The Times*

'Funny, tender and sad' *Sunday Express*

'If you liked Meg Mason's *Sorrow and Bliss*, you'll love this novel' *Good Housekeeping*

'One of the richest explorations of family dysfunction I've read' *i newspaper*

'Shades of Fleabag in this smart, funny drama' *Mail on Sunday*

'An enjoyably bittersweet novel about a dysfunctional modern family' *Independent*

'Razor-sharp' *Observer*

'One of the funniest novels you'll read this year' *Guardian*

Sales Points

- **Continuing to build Becky's brand:** capitalising off the recognition and reputation she has with reviewers and booksellers. *Havoc* combines humour and heart in the same way as *I'm Sorry You Feel That Way*. **We want to reach readers of her previous books, as well as tap in to the campus novel market.**
- **For readers of *The Rotters' Club* and *Almost English*, think *The Secret History* meets *Derry Girls*!**
- ***Havoc* has a strong sense of place - a dilapidated school on the south-west**

coast, as well as a specific historical backdrop of the Cold War.

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Reviews

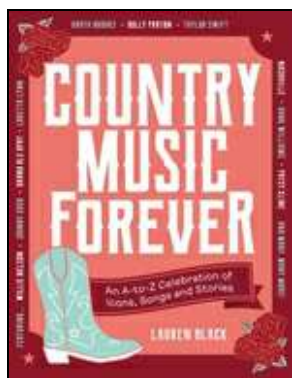
- 'Tragedy and comedy fuse together perfectly in a labyrinthine mystery of emotional and psychological complexity.' - Jo Brand
- 'Havoc is a rich, wry delight of a read - **as funny as it is thought-provoking, as evocative as it is page-turning**. Rebecca Wait is a phenomenal storyteller. I can't wait to see what she writes next' - *Abbie Greaves, author of The Silent Treatment*
- 'Eerie and utterly absorbing . . . [*Havoc*] is a tragicomic triumph about adolescence, identity and how quickly order can unravel' - *IMAGE Magazine*
- 'SCREAMING, CRYING, THROWING UP! *Havoc* is a fever worth catching, a gloomy and gorgeous pleasure' - *Maggie Thrash, author of Rainbow Black*

Author Biography

REBECCA WAIT has written for the *New Statesman*, *Independent* and *Pool* on subjects as diverse as suicide, cults and autism and appeared on Woman's Hour. Her third novel, *Our Fathers* published by riverrun in 2019, received widespread acclaim and was a Guardian book of the year and a thriller of the month for Waterstones. She lives in south London.

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Country Music Forever An A-to-Z Celebration of Icons, Songs and Stories Lauren Black

Keynote

A fully illustrated, comprehensive collection of the people, the phrases, the fashion and the songs that define the world's best-loved music genre.

Description

Grab your cowboy hat, shine up your boots and step inside a whole world of heart and heartbreak with this fully illustrated, alphabetical guide to the most beloved music around.

From Willie Nelson to Lainey Wilson; from 'I Walk The Line' to '9 to 5'; and from cowboy hats to chaps, country is much more than a musical genre. It's fashion, it's icons, it's sayings - it's a way of life! Celebrate all it has to offer in this **complete guide**, written by **country music obsessive** and **Editor-in-Chief of Country Now Lauren Black**.

With **over a hundred entries** that include the **most celebrated names** and the **often overlooked ones**, iconic stages, devoted fandoms, trendsetting fashion, TV shows, and even a much-adored but very battered truck, this is your **backstage pass to the very soul of all things country**.

So grab your cowboy hat, pull up your chaps, crank up Dolly and settle in for the ride!

'Country music is the heartbeat of American music, and its soul comprises a long, complex, and storied history. COUNTRY MUSIC FOREVER does a great job of giving readers a glimpse of that story in an easily digestible and fun way. I'm honored to be included, and thrilled that this exists to bring new fans into our community, and deepen longtime fans' relationship to our artform.'
Randy Travis

Sales Points

- **BOOM IN THE GENRE'S POPULARITY:** In recent years, country has seen a surge in popularity across Europe and elsewhere, where online streaming in the genre is **breaking records**, country artists are adding **more international dates** and the world's biggest international country music festival Country2Country is **selling out in days**.
- **ENCYCLOPAEDIC APPROACH** The A-to-Z format makes this guide easy to navigate while providing great insights into the genre.
- **FULLY ILLUSTRATED** by Travis Knight, a Nashville-based illustrator whose clients include Netflix, Warner Bros, *The Washington Post* and DC Comics, to bring to life the genre's best loved figures.

Author Biography

Lauren Black is the Editor-in-Chief at Country Now, one of the US's biggest sources of news about the country music scene, where she curates the programme and has presented live concerts with various special guests. Spotlighted among Country Aircheck's Women of Influence, Black has previously held the role of Country Music Expert Writer for Answers.com and her work has been featured on Forbes.com. Black has interviewed some of the industry's most prominent stars, including Reba McEntire, Blake Shelton, Luke Combs, Carrie Underwood, Luke Bryan, Miranda Lambert, Lainey Wilson, and many others. Black is a longtime member of the Country Music Association and the Academy of Country Music. This is her first book.

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Extent	224 pages
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Dream, Believe, Achieve Inspiring Quotes and Empowering Affirmations for Success, Growth and Happiness

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Description

This small but mighty book of encouraging quotes and uplifting affirmations is here to help you face any challenge life throws your way

If you can dream it, you can do it

Like seeds becoming mighty trees, your motivation and inspiration need to be nurtured. The right words at the right time can make a world of difference. This collection of incisive quotes and uplifting affirmations will be your cheerleader and companion on the road to success. Whatever your goal, from your career to your creativity, this book is here to give you the courage to conquer.

With the help of wise words and insightful statements from go-getting leaders, creative geniuses and world-renowned innovators you will find the encouragement you need to face any challenge life throws at you. Quotes from such luminaries as Malala Yousafzai, Steve Jobs, Michelle Obama and Dwayne Johnson will supercharge your confidence and fortify your resolve.

Take heart and comfort from this little book and make your dreams a reality!

Sales Points

- A great gift idea for anyone embarking on a challenge, studying towards a qualification, training for a sporting event, or growing a business.
- A similar successful title, *She Believed She Could So She Did* (ISBN: 9781786854889), has sold over 37,000 copies.
- Other similar Summersdale titles include: *You Go Girl* (ISBN: 9781837997671); *You Are So Awesome* (ISBN: 9781849539586); *You Smashed It!* (ISBN: 9781837997794); *You Are My Sunshine* (ISBN: 9781837996605).

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Binding	Hardback
Format	136 x 101
Extent	160 pages
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You Are So Strong Positive Quotes and Uplifting Statements to Boost Your Mood

Summersdale Publishers

Description

You're one tough cookie, but we all have times when we need a little extra love and support to get us through. This little book, packed with quotes to uplift and inspire and statements full of compassion and kindness, is here to help you keep your chin up and find your inner strength.

No matter how hard we try, sometimes things just get off track. A spell of bad luck can bring a dark cloud into our lives, but it's important to remember that the sun's still shining, even if you can't see it right now! With the help of reassuring wisdom from some of the world's most professional optimists, you'll rekindle your mojo in no time.

Expect to be energized with positives vibes by such classics as "Forget what you aren't; love what you are", "You can be the hero of your own story" and "Be gentle and kind to yourself."

Sales Points

- The importance of positive thinking for one's mental and physical well-being is now widely recognized, making this gift book relevant and appealing to modern readers.
- This book is not just an uplifting gift for people who are feeling blue but an affirmative present for any occasion.
- A previous edition of this title, *Be Strong* (ISBN: 9781786850300), has sold more than 11,500 copies.

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Binding	Hardback
Format	SSN (246x189)
Depth	22mm
Extent	208 pages
Word Count	32650 words
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Hungry Healthy and satisfying meals to eat on repeat, designed by a nutritionist

Caroline Hanna

Keynote

Over 90 recipes designed by a nutritionist, incorporating the foods you love to feel satisfied and sustained for longer.

Description

Packed with foods that make you feel good and recipes that are easy to follow from registered nutritional therapist Caroline Hanna, *Hungry* is the cookbook to satisfy your cravings.

No more coffee for breakfast and restrictions on snacking - when you are hungry, you should eat. Nutritional therapist and Cordon Bleu-trained chef Caroline shares over 90 recipes that are nutritious, well-balanced and tasty to honour both your hunger and your health.

Hungry incorporates highly nutritious ingredients in each and every dish without you noticing. Nutritional additions to classic favourites include:

- '7 Plant Points' Chilli Con Carne
- High Protein Creamy Red Pepper Pasta
- Bangers and Cheese-and-Chive Mash with a Kale and Onion Gravy
- A Nutritionist's Hangover Sandwich

Full of recipes that celebrate and satiate appetite, *Hungry* is all about food that feels good *and* tastes good.

Sales Points

- **Breakout trend:** According to a trend report from Mintel, one of the top 5 food trends for 2025 is an interest in food that is fundamentally nutritious. Other trending areas that these recipes tap into include gut health, hormone hacking and high protein recipes.
- **Nutritionally qualified:** Caroline Hanna is a Cordon Bleu-trained chef and a registered nutritional therapist (DipCNM, mBANT, rCNHC), giving her the authority to share nutritionally-informed intuitive eating recipes in ways that influencers such as Sophie Waplington and Emma Peterson can't.
- **A marketable personality:** As well as nutritional qualifications, Caroline has over 199k followers on Instagram. She has developed an approach to intuitive eating called the 'Happiest Weight Method', built on the simple but powerful idea that when we listen to our hunger and nourish our bodies with nutritious foods, we can become healthy in a way that goes beyond the numbers on a scale.
- **Healthy and happy eating:** Cookbooks that have looked to strike a balance between nutritional value and food enjoyment have done well, including *So Good* by Emily English (over 137,000 copies sold via TCM), *Eat Yourself Healthy* by Dr Megan Rossi (over 63,00 copies sold via TCM) and *Deliciously Ella Healthy Meals Made Simple* (over 51,000 copies sold via TCM).

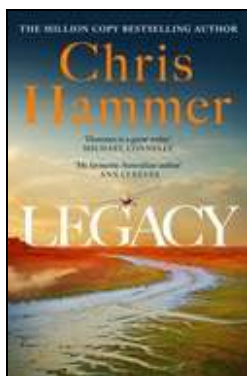
Author Biography

Caroline Hanna is a registered nutritional therapist (DipCNM, mBANT, rCNHC) and Le Cordon Bleu-trained recipe developer and content creator based in London. She has built an audience of over 185,000 thanks to her simple recipes and realistic approach to nutrition.

Formally trained at the College of Naturopathic Medicine, Caroline has collaborated with brands including Nairn's, Mindful Chef, Dash Water, ProVen and BOL Foods. A nutritionist with a hedonistic streak, she can often be found drinking a glass of red wine (Argentinian Malbec, thanks) and eating a cheese fondue for two by herself.

Her science-backed yet realistic approach to nutrition is a refreshing tonic to a glossy world of perfectly curated food and cooks, making both Caroline, her recipes, and her mission - to create well-balanced recipes that are delicious and satisfying - relatable.

[Instagram.com/healthbycaroline](https://www.instagram.com/healthbycaroline)



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Legacy

The stunning and unmissable new crime novel from the million copy international bestseller

Chris Hammer

Keynote

Master of small-town mystery Chris Hammer returns with a new gripping thriller in the Martin Scarsden series.

Description

Martin Scarsden returns in the unmissable new thriller from Chris Hammer, bestselling author of *Scrublands* and *Times* Crime Book of the Year (2023) *Dead Man's Creek*.

MARTIN SCARSDEN IS ON THE RUN. WILL THE DESERT SAVE HIM - OR BURY HIM?

A bomb at his book launch. Gunfire in his hometown. Someone wants journalist Martin Scarsden dead.

Fleeing for his life into the outback, he learns that nowhere is safe. The killers are closing in and it's all he can do to survive. But who wants to kill him - and why?

As Scarsden gets deeper intertwined with the local community, he finds his fate lies in the hands of some surprising individuals: a disgraced ex-wife of a football legend, a fugitive wanted for a decades-old murder, and two nineteenth century explorers from a legendary expedition.

With his life on the line, one thing is for sure: this is Martin Scarsden's most perilous, challenging and intriguing assignment yet.

Praise for Chris Hammer:

'A masterful, stunning thriller. A twisting mystery epic in scale yet intricate in detail. Irresistible.' Chris Whitaker

'Epic. Shakespearean in depth and range' *The Times*

'Fierce, gripping and spine-chilling.' *Daily Mail*

'My favourite Australian detective is Nell Buchanan.' Ann Cleeves

'Hammer is a great writer - a leader in Australian noir' Michael Connelly

'Shimmers . . . A tortured tale of blood and loss' Val McDermid

'Stunning - a page-turner which stays long in the memory' *Sunday Times*

Sales Points

- **Fan-favourite Martin Scarsden is back:** the novel marks the return of journalist Martin Scarsden, who first appeared in *Scrublands* and most recently in *Trust*. Since the release of the TV adaptation of *Scrublands*, reader appetite for more Martin books is at an all-time high, with new series for *Silver* due to air in the UK on BBC2 summer 2025.
- **#1 Australian bestseller:** SCRUBLANDS, the first book in the Martin Scarsden series, was a major launch for Allen and Unwin in Australia and became a number 1 fiction bestseller there. SILVER, the second book in the series, also became an instant bestseller. TRUST, the third and final entry, was published to critical acclaim in January 2021. The Ivan Lucic and Nell Buchanan series launched with OPAL COUNTRY in January 2022, and each of the subsequent novels featuring these characters have attracted major critical acclaim.
- **TV :** SCRUBLANDS and SILVER are now major television series, distributed by Stan Originals in Australia and BBC Two in the UK. SILVER is due to air June 2025 in the UK.
- **AWARDS:** SCRUBLANDS won the CWA John Creasey Dagger for Best Debut Crime Novel 2019; and was shortlisted for Best Debut Fiction at the Indie Book Awards and Best General Fiction at the ABIA Awards. SILVER has been shortlisted for Best General Fiction at the ABIA Awards.

Reviews

- 'Utterly brilliant, a darkly simmering mystery - an Australian *Where The Crawdads Sing*.' - Dervla McTiernan, bestselling author of *The Ruin*
- 'Dingo noir at its finest. This may well be Hammer's best work yet. Atmospheric and thrilling. I was gripped.' - Victoria Selman, bestselling author of *Truly Darkly Deeply*
- 'Chris Hammer is at the height of his power here. *Dead Man's Creek* is a superb piece of storytelling - a dark and compelling saga brilliantly rooted

in a rich Australian landscape.' - William Shaw, bestselling author of the DS
• The publication of Chris Hammer book has become one of those events that you eagerly await. *Dead Man's Creek* is no exception. Mesmerising and unputdownable from start to finish, Chris is a master at work.' - James Delargy, author of *55* and *Vanished*

Author Biography

Chris Hammer is a leading Australian crime fiction novelist, author of the internationally bestselling Martin Scarsden series: *Scrublands*, *Silver*, *Trust* and now *Legacy*. *Scrublands* was shortlisted for major writing awards in Australia, the UK and the United States. In the UK it was named the *Sunday Times* Crime Novel of the Year 2019 and won the prestigious UK Crime Writers' Association John Creasey New Blood Dagger Award. *Scrublands* was adapted for TV, airing on BBC4 in the UK. *Silver* aired on BBC2 in 2025. Chris also writes the award-winning series featuring homicide detectives Nell Buchanan and Ivan Lucic: *Opal Country*, *Dead Man's Creek*, *Cover the Bones* and *The Broken River*.

Before turning to fiction, Chris was a journalist for more than thirty years. He reported from more than thirty countries on six continents. Chris has also written two non-fiction books, *The River*, winner of the ACT Book of the Year, and *The Coast*, published by Melbourne University Press.

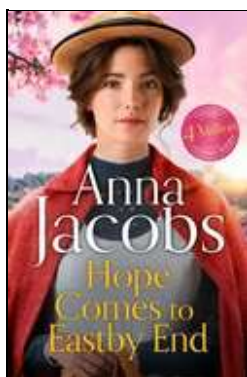
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Hope Comes to Eastby End drama returns in the gripping new saga series from multi-million-copy bestseller Anna Jacobs

Anna Jacobs

Keynote

The drama continues for the residents of Eastby End - the gripping and heartwarming new saga series from multi-million-copy bestselling author Anna Jacobs.

Description

They're about to follow their dreams all the way back home . . .

Sam Newby loves the rolling hills and lush green grass of Ollindale, the village he has grown up in. Home is where his heart is: but when his father dies, and his cruel stepmother becomes his guardian, he begins to dream of a different life. He flees, but vows to return once he is of age - and has the means to stop those who would destroy his community . . .

Laura Barker thinks about the last words Sam said to her more than she would care to admit: *Follow your dreams*. It is her greatest hope to become a district nurse, so she can help not only Ollindale, but the neighbouring, poverty-stricken town of Eastby End. But the only way she can serve her community is to leave, to train as a nurse down south, and follow her dreams, then her heart, back home.

A chance encounter between Sam and Laura fills them with hope that they will one day make it back to their village together. But with Sam's stepmother and her new husband causing chaos with their shady dealings in Eastby End, **Sam and Laura must lean on their friends and the good people of Ollindale to bring hope back home . . .**

Readers love Anna Jacobs!

'Amazing' - 5 STARS

'Thank you, Anna, for the pleasure you give in all your books' - 5 STARS

'Another brilliant, hard-to-put-down book' - 5 STARS

'Can't wait for the next instalment' - 5 STARS

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Sales Points

- **SIGNIFICANT SALES TRACK RECORD:** Anna Jacobs has sold over 5 million copies of her books to date. Her most recent novel has delivered 10% sales growth.
- **NEW SERIES AND PACKAGE:** bold new cover style to ensure Anna is leading the market. Targeted for increased focus to turbo-charge growth.
- **STRATEGIC USE OF EXTENSIVE BACKLIST:** over 100 titles to promote alongside frontlist in a rolling programme to ensure high visibility all year round.
- **PROACTIVE AND BELOVED AUTHOR:** Anna engages very effectively with her fanbase and actively promotes.

Reviews

- 'This is that rare thing, a pacy page-turner with a ripping plot and characters you care about . . . [Anna Jacobs is] especially big on resourceful, admirable women. Great stuff!' - *DAILY MAIL*
- 'Anna Jacobs' books have an] impressive grasp of human emotions' - *SUNDAY TIMES*

Author Biography

Hodder & Stoughton.

www.hodder.co.uk



Anna Jacobs grew up in Lancashire and emigrated to Australia, but still visits the UK regularly to see her family and do research, something she loves. She is addicted to writing and figures she'll have to live to be 120 at least to tell all the stories that keep popping up in her imagination and nagging her to write them down. She's also addicted to her own hero, to whom she's been happily married for many years.

She is the bestselling author of over ninety novels and has been shortlisted for several awards, and *Pride of Lancashire* won the Australian Romantic Book of the Year Award in 2006.

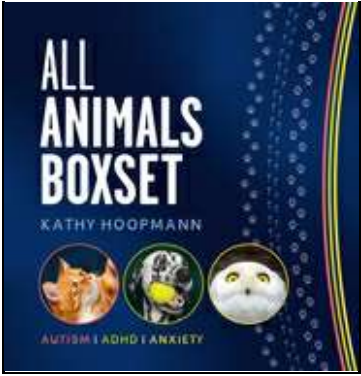
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Kathy Hoopmann's 'All Animals' Boxset

Kathy Hoopmann

Keynote

A giftable boxset of Kathy Hoopmann's three bestselling titles: *All Cats are on the Autism Spectrum*, *All Dogs Have ADHD* and *All Birds Have Anxiety*.

Description

This delightful gift set brings together three of Kathy Hoopmann's much-loved, bestselling books: *All Cats are on the Autism Spectrum*, *All Dogs Have ADHD*, and *All Birds Have Anxiety*. With charming, full-colour animal photographs, each book uses the playful world of cats, dogs, and birds to explore traits that will be instantly recognisable to anyone familiar with autism, ADHD, or anxiety. From independent cats and energetic dogs to cautious, thoughtful birds, these books offer gentle, humorous snapshots of what it means to experience the world differently. Together, they combine warmth, understanding, and compassion to reflect both the challenges and the joys of neurodivergence. Perfect for families, educators, and anyone supporting neurodivergent children or adults, this uplifting collection celebrates individuality and reminds us that being "different" is something to be embraced.

Sales Points

- **Three Bestselling Titles in One Set:** Includes *All Cats are on the Autism Spectrum*; *All Dogs Have ADHD* and *All Birds Have Anxiety*.
- **Perfect Introduction to Neurodiversity:** Uses animal behaviour to gently explain autism, ADHD, and anxiety in a way that is accessible and relatable.
- **Engaging Full-Colour Photography:** humorous and heartwarming images of cats, dogs, and birds bring key traits vividly to life.
- **Ideal for Families, Educators, and Professionals:** Widely used by parents, SENCOs, therapists, and mental health practitioners.
- **Celebratory, Positive, and Neuroaffirming:** Highlights strengths, individuality, and the joy of seeing the world differently.

Author Biography

Kathy Hoopmann has written over thirty books with translations into twenty one languages. Her work sells widely in Australia, the UK, the US and the Middle East. She has won and been shortlisted for many literary awards, including the Children's Book Council of Australia Award, the ALCS Educational Award (UK), the Living Now Award (US) and has five times been awarded a Nautilus Award (US) which is granted to 'books that change the world'. Kathy is best known for her writing on neurodiversity, in fiction and non-fiction. The simplicity, charm and insight of Kathy's books have made them must-haves for children and adults worldwide.

Market

Autistic/ADHD people and those with anxiety. Existing fans of Hoopmann's books.



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The Shadow Step

The remarkable Detective Miller is back with a riveting new mystery

Mark Billingham

Keynote

The new novel by number one *Sunday Times* and multi-million-selling master of crime fiction, Mark Billingham

Description

<H2>The new Detective Miller thriller from bestselling author Mark Billingham, full of tension, wit and incredible twists.</H2>

'I'm excited to have found a new favourite detective' CLAIRE DOUGLAS

'Edge-of-your-seat tension, wit and heart - fantastic!' LISA JEWELL

'Funny, moving, and full of surprises. An absolute treat' MICK HERRON

<H2>It's Detective Miller's deadliest dance...</H2>

The Shadow Step: One taken simultaneously by a pair of dancers facing the same direction, one of them behind and slightly shifted leftwards ('in the shadow')

Typically, such a step perfectly demonstrates synchronized elegance. It showcases a couple in near telepathic harmony with one another. **It does not normally end with someone stone-dead in a lake.**

DS Declan Miller is a magnet for strange cases, but how can he catch a killer when the man confessing to the crime is clearly innocent? Things rapidly escalate when the murder that isn't really a murder at all attracts the unwanted attention of a drugs Queenpin, a deranged ex-squaddie and a lovesick gangland enforcer. Then a student is kidnapped...

Throw in a wobbly dog, a pair of ceramic leopards and the distracting smell from a local biscuit factory, and - if he wants to save a young man's life - Miller has little choice but to waltz all the way into the shadows.

Sales Points

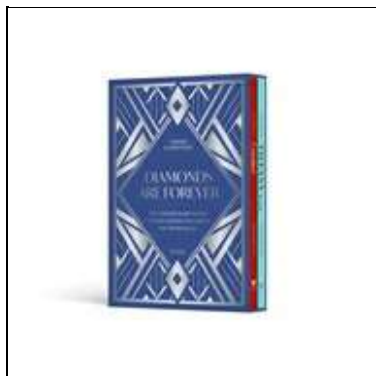
- **LARGE PLATFORM OF READERS:** Billingham is one of the UK's most established crime brands in the UK, a supporter of new authors who tours relentlessly. He has a **devoted reader following**, with 35k on X and 21k on Facebook.
- **ALWAYS A BESTSELLER** Billingham has had **25 consecutive *Sunday Times* bestsellers**, putting him in an incredibly small group at the top of UK crime fiction. Mark's latest novel, *WHAT THE NIGHT BRINGS*, hit the top 10 bestseller chart two weeks in a row on publication with hardback sales **up 8%** book-on-book.
- **HIGHLY ACCLAIMED** Both public and critics have taken Detective Miller to their hearts. *The Last Dance* received **incredible reviews** and was shortlisted for the Theakston Crime Novel of the Year Award. *The Wrong Hands* received even more reader love, with a 4.5-star Goodreads rating, and was one of **THE TIMES best 10 crime novels of 2024**.
- **FAN FAVOURITE** The Detective Miller novels have been a huge hit with readers. Both *THE LAST DANCE* and *THE WRONG HANDS* hit the *Sunday Times* bestseller chart on launch in hardback and paperback, and have cumulatively sold **over 300K copies** across all formats. In the first 12 weeks of sale, *THE WRONG HANDS* sold over **27K copies** all formats, **up 15%** book-on-book, with career high pre-orders especially in ebook and audio.

Reviews

- 'Mark Billingham does **edge-of-your-seat tension, wit and heart** like no one else' - *Lisa Jewell*
- 'The **very best** in the business' - *Richard Osman*
- '**Exceptionally gifted** storytelling' - *Karin Slaughter*
- 'One of **Britain's greatest** crime writers' - *Daily Mail*

Author Biography

Mark Billingham has twice won the Theakston Old Peculier Award for Crime Novel of the Year, the Sherlock Award for the best detective created by a British writer and in 2026 he was awarded the Crime Writers' Association Diamond Dagger for an outstanding lifetime contribution to the genre. *Sleepyhead* and *Scaredy Cat* were made into a hit TV series on Sky 1 starring David Morrissey as Tom Thorne, and a series based on the novels *In the Dark* and *Time of Death* was broadcast on BBC1. Mark lives in north London with his wife and two children.



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Author living in	Bath, UK

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The ultimate guide to the dazzling designs of Cartier and Tiffany & Co.

Tamara Sturtz-Filby

Keynote

The beautiful two-book, large format gift set of *The Story of Tiffany & Co* and *The Story of Cartier*

Description

There are two names synonymous with the world of diamonds and luxury jewellery: Tiffany and Cartier.

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Sales Points

- Tiffany's 5th Avenue store had transformation and reopened in 2023, having been closed for renovation since 2019.
- Tiffany has an expanding product range, appealing to younger, more affluent customers - and with celebrity endorsements to match (Jeremy Allen White wore a Tiffany brooch to SAG Awards, and on the Oscars red carpet was worn by Lady Gaga, Michael B Jordan and Michelle Williams).
- A landmark exhibition at the V&A marks the first time the Cartier archive is open to the public in the 21st century.
- Cartier is one of the most valuable luxury goods brands in the world, currently valued at \$10.5 billion which increased by over 20% in 2024 - reflecting the brand's continued popularity.
- The *Little Books of Fashion* series has sold over 4.8 million copies worldwide and in 23 languages.

Author Biography

Tamara Sturtz-Filby is a journalist and author with over 20 years experience writing for national magazines and newspapers including *Vogue*, *Elle*, *Marie Claire*, *Grazia*, *Red*, *Harper's Bazaar*, the *Sunday Times*, the *Guardian*, the *Daily Mail* and the *Daily Telegraph*. She has written two fashion books, ***The Story of the Diamond*** and ***Behind The Gloss***. She lives in Bath, UK.

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