



The Steps Sylvester Stallone

Keynote

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Description

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In the fifty years since Sylvester Stallone ran up the steps of the Philadelphia Art Museum, he and those steps have become symbols of resilience and determination, and have inspired millions from all over the world to pursue their dreams. In *The Steps*, Stallone recounts how he pursued his own dreams. A culmination of decades of reflection, Sly shares where he came from - a difficult birth, an even more difficult childhood, years of struggle in school being misunderstood - and he explains how the real story of a successful life is built by facing, embracing and ultimately overcoming our challenges. It's found in the distances we are willing to go and the steps we must take to get from where we are to where we want to go.

In a narrative framed between Stallone's arrival in New York City in 1969 and the triumph of *Rocky* at the 1977 Academy Awards, Sly weaves a vivid and propulsive portrait of struggle, subsistence and ultimately success. He writes of his early days and later years, too, and the persistence, creativity and resilience that led not only to the creation of *Rocky* but to a career filled with remarkably iconic roles. *The Steps* is a testament to Stallone's extraordinary life and a profound meditation on the importance of vision and willpower and hard work.

Sales Points

- **MASTER STORYTELLER:** Sylvester Stallone is a master storyteller and raconteur, and his unmistakable and utterly unique voice leaps off the page. With the authenticity and insight of Matthew McConaughey's *Greenlights*, the grit and inspiration of Arnold Schwarzenegger's *Be Useful* and the candour and entertainment of Dave Grohl's *Storyteller*, *The Steps* will be a genre-defining publication.
- **ENORMOUS INTERNATIONAL AUDIENCE:** Sylvester Stallone is a household name throughout our territories, with over 32m followers online. He posts regularly on his channels and will be supporting the book online in a major way. According to YouGov, he is known by 96% of Brits (making him better known than Dwayne Johnson, Al Pacino, Vin Diesel, Jean-Claude Van Damme and Matthew McConaughey).
- **STAND-OUT EVENT PUBLICATION:** Stallone's debut memoir will be supported by an ambitious and mighty promotional campaign. Working closely with our partners around the world, it will be a global event publication which will encompass international consumer advertising, an extensive in-person events schedule, high-impact broadcast, online and print media, ambitious brand partnerships, unmissable POS and online activity, plus a series of highly-creative and unforgettable campaign moments befitting of Stallone's status as an international icon and inspiration.
- **A TRULY GLOBAL PUBLICATION:** Orion prevailed in a highly competitive 16-publisher UK auction. International rights have now been sold in 20 territories, and auctions are continuing around the world. HarperCollins are publishing in the US. This will be an enormous global publication.
- **50 YEARS OF ROCKY:** November 2026 is the fiftieth anniversary of the release of *Rocky*. The development and creation of *Rocky* is a key strand of the narrative for *THE STEPS* and so our publication is perfectly positioned to tap into the wider activity that will be happening throughout 2026 to celebrate this iconic film.

Author Biography

SYLVESTER STALLONE is the creative force behind some of the most lasting and iconic characters in film, including Rocky Balboa in the Academy Award-winning *Rocky*, and John Rambo in *First Blood* as well as the blockbuster franchise *The Expendables*. In addition to being a prolific writer and director, he is the only actor to open a number one film across six decades. He currently stars in the critically acclaimed hit TV series *Tulsa King*, where he also acts as executive producer and writer. He and his wife Jennifer share three beautiful daughters, Sophia, Sistine, and Scarlet.

Market

Greenlights by Matthew McConaughey; *Be Useful* by Arnold Schwarzenegger; *Friends, Lovers and the Big Terrible Thing* by Matthew Perry; *Sonny Boy* by Al Pacino; *We Did Ok, Kid* by Anthony Hopkins; *Storyteller* by Dave Grohl

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Rebecca Yarros

Keynote

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Author Biography

Rebecca Yarros is the no. 1 *Sunday Times* and *New York Times* bestselling author of over twenty novels, including *Fourth Wing*. She's the recipient of the British Book Award for Book of the Year and the Alex Award from the American Library Association. She loves military heroes and has been blissfully married to hers for over twenty years. As the mother of six, when she's not writing, you can find her at the hockey rink or sneaking in some guitar time. She and her family live in Colorado with their stubborn English bulldogs, two feisty chinchillas, and two cats who rule them all.

Having fostered then adopted their youngest, Rebecca is passionate about helping children in the foster system through her nonprofit, One October, which she co-founded with her husband in 2019. To learn more about their mission to better the lives of kids in foster care, visit www.oneoctober.org.

To catch up on Rebecca's latest releases and upcoming novels visit www.RebeccaYarros.com.

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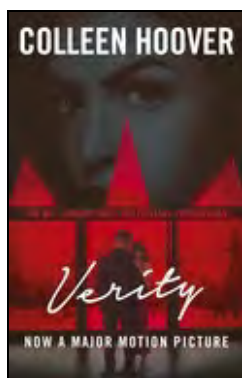
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Verity

the film tie-in edition of the twisty thriller that will keep you up all night

Colleen Hoover

Keynote

A new film tie-in edition of the global smash-hit, timed alongside *Verity* coming to screens starring Anne Hathaway and Dakota Johnson

Description

Colleen Hoover brought you the beautiful, unforgettable *It Ends With Us*. Now, discover her thriller with a twist that will leave you reeling . . . *Verity* is a global word-of-mouth hit, with over a million five-star reviews from readers, and now adapted into a major film starring Anne Hathaway and Dakota Johnson.

Lowen Ashleigh is a struggling writer on the brink of financial ruin when she accepts the job offer of a lifetime. Jeremy Crawford, husband of bestselling author Verity Crawford, has hired Lowen to complete the remaining books in a successful series his injured wife is unable to finish.

Lowen arrives at the Crawford home, ready to sort through years of Verity's notes and outlines, hoping to find enough material to get her started. What Lowen doesn't expect to uncover in the chaotic office is an unfinished autobiography Verity never intended for anyone to read. Page after page of bone-chilling admissions, including Verity's recollection of the night their family was forever altered.

Lowen decides to keep the manuscript hidden from Jeremy, knowing its contents would devastate the already-grieving father. But as Lowen's feelings for Jeremy begin to intensify, she recognizes all the ways she could benefit if he were to read his wife's words. After all, no matter how devoted Jeremy is to his injured wife, a truth this horrifying would make it impossible for him to continue loving her . . .

Before you start reading, ask yourself: are you ready to stay up all night?

Sales Points

- **ONE OF THE BIGGEST AUTHORS IN THE WORLD:** Colleen Hoover has sold over **50 million copies** worldwide
- **A CROWN JEWEL IN COLLEEN'S PUBLISHING:** *Verity* is one of her biggest hits, with **2.5 million copies** sold of the UK edition alone. It is a global sensation and a **#1 Kindle bestseller, #1 New York Times, #3 Sunday Times, #2 Australian, #3 South African and #4 Irish bestseller**
- **A MAJOR MOVIE FOR OCTOBER '26:** Amazon are bringing *Verity* to cinemas starring Anne Hathaway and Dakota Johnson - this will be a huge moment in Colleen's publishing, after *It Ends With Us'* adaptation sent the book soaring back up charts
- **OVER 1.9 MILLION 5* GOODREADS REVIEWS:** As *twisty as Gone Girl* and with the **gothic creepiness of Rebecca**, this is an outstanding psychological suspense with a twist that readers can't stop talking about

Awards

Winner of the 2023 Pageturner of the Year at British Book Awards

Reviews

- 'It deserves to be **huge**. A **modern-day Rebecca** with, dare I say it, an **even cleverer twist**. I **adored** it' - Gillian McAllister
- 'I can't remember the last time I read a book in one day. It was everything I hope for and more in a book, **impossible to put down, oh so clever, and with a killer twist**. I think I found **a new favourite author!**' - Alice Feeney
- 'If you've yet to experience **the delight that is reading one of Hoover's novels**, we suggest starting with this . . . **Prepare for your pulse to race and your palms to sweat!**' - *E! News*
- '**Disturbing, sinister and utterly addictive!**' - Roz Watkins
- '**Brilliantly fresh, punchy, clever and superbly entertaining** . . . It's **no wonder Verity is the book everyone is talking about!**' - Philippa East

Author Biography

Colleen Hoover is the **#1 New York Times** bestselling author of more than twenty-three novels, including *It Starts with Us*, *It Ends with Us*, *All Your Perfects*, *Ugly Love*, and *Verity*. Colleen lives in Texas with her husband and their three boys.

For more information, please visit ColleenHoover.com.

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The Love Hypothesis (Prime Tie-In)
SOON TO BE A PRIME ORIGINAL FILM and now in a beautiful film tie-in edition featuring an all-new foreword from Lili Reinhart

Ali Hazelwood

Keynote

The global phenomenon and debut novel from TikTok sensation, Ali Hazelwood - now in a beautiful film tie-in collector's edition featuring exclusive artwork from the Amazon movie starring Lili Reinhart and Tom Bateman, adorable inside printing, plus two bonus chapters from Adam's pov and an all-new foreword written by Lili Reinhart.

Description

SOON TO BE A PRIME ORIGINAL FILM! Ali Hazelwood's swoony *Sunday Times* bestselling novel - now in a beautiful film tie-in edition featuring:

- All-new foreword from Lili Reinhart
- A cover with exclusive movie art
- Adorable art printed inside the front and back covers
- *Both* bonus chapters from Adam's perspective

A fake relationship between scientists meets the irresistible force of attraction.

As a third-year Ph.D. candidate, Olive Smith doesn't believe in lasting romantic relationships - but her best friend does, and that's what got her into this situation. Convincing Anh that Olive is dating and well on her way to a happily ever after was always going to take more than hand-wavy Jedi mind tricks: Scientists require proof. So, like any self-respecting biologist, Olive panics and kisses the first man she sees.

That man is none other than Adam Carlsen, a young hotshot professor - and well-known ass. Which is why Olive is positively floored when Stanford's reigning lab tyrant agrees to keep her charade a secret and be her fake boyfriend. But when a big science conference goes haywire, putting Olive's career on the Bunsen burner, Adam surprises her again with his unyielding support and even more unyielding...six-pack abs.

Suddenly their little experiment feels dangerously close to combustion. And Olive discovers that the only thing more complicated than a hypothesis on love is putting her own heart under the microscope.

Sales Points

- **A GLOBAL PHENOMENON:** Our Sphere edition of this book has now sold just shy of 1.3million copies worldwide - a huge phenomenon with readers in every corner of the globe. Fans can't get enough of Adam and Olive, buying every edition they can, and we know they will want to add this gorgeous collector's edition to their shelves.
- **A TIKTOK SENSATION:** One of the original TikTok authors, Ali Hazelwood's star only continues to rise as her brand moves with the market, cementing her name as one of the fastest-growing global brand authors in romance with 4.3 million copies (net) of her Sphere titles sold to date. Ali is a *New York Times*, *Sunday Times*, Australian and international bestseller, with readers in all four corners of the globe.
- **A MAJOR STREAMING RELEASE:** Starring Lili Reinhart as Olive and Tom Bateman as Adam, this long-awaited movie will release this Autumn 2026. Chart positions spiked for the original publication last year during filming, so we know readers will be excited for this new edition: a film tie-in paperback with a brand-new cover using film artwork, plus two bonus chapters from Adam's pov.

Reviews

- 'Contemporary romance's unicorn: the elusive marriage of deeply brainy and delightfully escapist...*The Love Hypothesis* has wild commercial appeal but the quieter secret is that there is a specific audience, made up of all of the Olives in the world, who have deeply, ardently waited for this exact book.' - Christina Lauren, New York Times bestselling author of *The Unhoneymooners*
- 'Funny, sexy and smart.' - Mariana Zapata, New York Times bestselling author
- 'With whip-smart and endearing characters, snappy prose, and a quirky take on a favourite trope, Hazelwood convincingly navigates the fraught shoals of academia... This smart, sexy contemporary should delight a wide swathe of romance lovers.' - *Publishers Weekly*

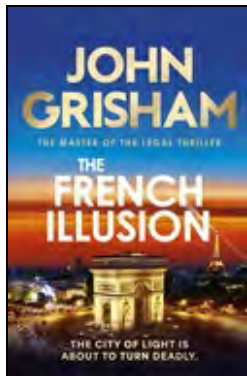
Author Biography

Ali Hazelwood is the *New York Times* and *Sunday Times* bestselling author of multiple romance novels, as well as a writer of peer-reviewed articles about brain science, in which no one makes out and the ever after is not always happy. Originally from Italy, she lived in Germany and Japan before moving to the US to pursue a PhD in neuroscience.

When Ali is not at work, she can be found crocheting, eating cake pops, or watching sci-fi movies with her three feline overlords (and her slightly-less-feline husband).

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The French Illusion

the explosive new novel from the master of the legal thriller

John Grisham

Keynote

Bestselling author John Grisham delivers a new gripping, suspenseful page-turner about a Paris honeymoon gone horribly wrong - and the nightmare that follows.

Description

After Paul and Chelsea Tanner's fairytale wedding, their future is full of promise. But their honeymoon to Paris takes a dark, shocking turn when they are kidnapped while on a day trip to the French countryside. Who would target them - and why?

It appears this is not the first crime of its kind. The search for answers soon stretches across borders, with the FBI, CIA and French intelligence trying to put the pieces of the puzzle together. Struggling to find answers, a young lawyer is recruited to be the bait in an elaborate CIA operation.

Sales Points

- **GLOBAL BESTSELLER AND MARKET LEADER:** John Grisham delivers suspense like no other writer in the world, and is beloved the world over.
- **BACKED BY A THRILLING CAMPAIGN:** *The French Illusion* will be back by an unmissable marketing campaign! John will also promote with select media events.
- **STRONG SALES GROWTH FOR THE WIDOW:** especially in audio, ANZ, SA and Ireland.

Reviews

- 'The best thriller writer alive' - Ken Follett
- 'No one does it better' - Chris Whitaker
- 'Grisham's books have shaped the way millions see the law and its discontents' - *Time*
- 'A master storytellers' - *Huffington Post*

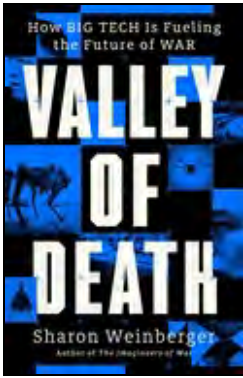
Author Biography

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

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

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

John lives on a farm in central Virginia.



Valley of Death

How Big Tech is Fueling the Future of War

Sharon Weinberger

Keynote

Drawing on deep, exclusive reporting, a veteran national security correspondent reveals how a new military-industrial complex is arising from the cradle of Silicon Valley, with vast implications for American democracy and the global balance of power.

Description

Elon Musk, Peter Thiel, and Alexander Karp. These tech titans are fast becoming some of the most powerful figures in the realm of national security, with enormous implications for us all. As Sharon Weinberger reveals in this gripping account, the American military and spy agencies helped to create Silicon Valley as we now know it, and some of its biggest and most valuable companies today owe much of their success to the Pentagon and CIA. Beginning with the War on Terror and accelerating under Donald Trump, however, the old alliance between elected leaders in Washington and the unelected CEOs of Silicon Valley has grown increasingly uneasy as power has shifted to the private sector and Big Tech exerts greater and greater influence over its old patrons. Companies such as SpaceX and Palantir, along with newer entrants to the field such as Anduril, are proudly supporting—and quietly shaping-US national defense, whether by providing spies and soldiers with AI and cloud-computing tools or actual military hardware such as microwave weapons, hypersonic missiles, and advanced drones.

The implications of this historic shift are poorly understood and fraught with peril. What happens when mercurial billionaires like Elon Musk control weapons and technologies that were once the preserve of the US government? How will this new military-industrial complex affect the way wars are fought, or even *which* wars are fought? That is the urgent question before us today, at the dawn of this new era—and as Weinberger reveals, it is one on which our collective future might well hinge.

Sales Points

- **FRESH AND URGENT:** This is the first full account to uncover the hidden, decades-long entanglement between Silicon Valley and America's war machine. With exclusive reporting and declassified records, Sharon Weinberger exposes how consumer-tech titans became some of the most powerful military contractors in the world.
- **EXPERT AUTHOR:** Sharon Weinberger is the National Security and Foreign Policy Editor at *The Wall Street Journal* and author of acclaimed works on science, technology and war (*Imagineers of War*). With unparalleled access to sources in Washington and Silicon Valley, she offers both investigative rigour and narrative flair - cementing her reputation as the leading chronicler of the national security state.
- **A DEFINING BOOK FOR OUR POLITICAL MOMENT:** As Elon Musk, Peter Thiel, Jeff Bezos and other tech billionaires shape U.S. defense policy and align with Trump's MAGA movement, *Valley of Death* explains how America's future wars may be waged not by the state, but by Silicon Valley. This is a story that will dominate headlines in the election years to come.
- **EXCLUSIVE UNTOLD STORIES:** From the CIA's secret lifeline to Steve Jobs's NeXT computers to the rise of 'military tech bros' building AI-driven weapons, Weinberger reveals the covert deals and cultural shifts that have remade the balance of power between Washington and Silicon Valley.
- **GLOBAL INTEREST, URGENT QUESTIONS:** Apple, Amazon, SpaceX and Palantir are among the most recognized names worldwide. By showing how these companies now anchor America's arsenal, Weinberger raises urgent questions for readers everywhere: What happens when unelected billionaires hold the keys to war and peace?

Reviews

- 'A shocking story about big money, military might, and a technological revolution . . . A masterwork of investigative reporting that reveals a network of billionaires and power brokers at the heart of American empire' - Christopher Leonard, author of *KOCHLAND* and *THE LORDS OF EASY MONEY*
- 'There is no more pressing national security issue than the role that artificial intelligence will play in the future of warfare - and there is nobody better to explain it than Sharon Weinberger . . . a must read' - Michael Isikoff, co-author of *RUSSIAN ROULETTE*

Author Biography

Sharon Weinberger has been writing on national security issues for more than twenty-five years. She was the National Security Editor at the *Wall Street Journal* from 2022 to 2026 and has also contributed to the *New York Times*, *New York Magazine*, and *Washington Post*, among other outlets. Also the author of *The Imagineers of War: The Untold Story of DARPA, the Pentagon Agency that Changed the World, A Nuclear Family Vacation: Travels in the World of Atomic Weaponry*, and *Imaginary Weapons: A Journey Through the Pentagon's Scientific Underworld*, she is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and has held fellowships at the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study at Harvard University,

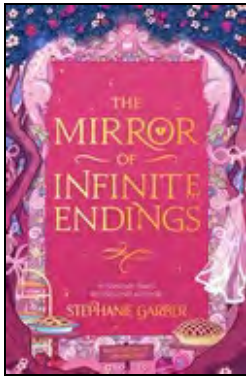
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The Mirror of Infinite Endings

The highly anticipated return to the No. 1 Sunday Times bestselling *Once Upon a Broken Heart* series and the epic love story of Jacks and Evangeline

Stephanie Garber

Keynote

Multimillion-copy bestseller Stephanie Garber returns to the globally beloved world of *Once Upon a Broken Heart* in *The Mirror of Infinite Endings*, a Jacks and Evangeline novella

Description

Return to the Magnificent North and the breathtaking love story that has captivated readers all over the world in this beautifully illustrated novella!

Jacks and Evangeline Fox have finally found their happily ever after.

Everything here in the Hollow is wonderful and perfect.

Nothing is going to go wrong.

No one is keeping a secret . . . except for maybe one.

But don't worry, it's not going to rewrite reality or alter history or change the ending of Jacks and Evangeline's story.

Definitely not.

Featuring cameos from fan-favourite characters and twenty full-page illustrations by Lotusbubble, the fourth instalment in the *Once Upon a Broken Heart* universe will immerse readers once again in this beloved No. 1 Sunday Times bestselling series. Because every story has the potential for infinite endings.

THE ONCE UPON A BROKEN HEART SERIES

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2. *The Ballad of Never After*
3. *A Curse for True Love*
4. *The Mirror of Infinite Endings*

'Dazzling from start to finish' **ADALYN GRACE**

'An unputdownable fairy tale' **KERRI MANISCALCO**

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Sales Points

- **FROM THE MULTIMILLION-COPY BESTSELLER:** Worldwide sales of Stephanie's books have now surpassed 9 million copies with rights sold in 36 languages and counting.
- **THE GRAND RETURN TO HER MOST POPULAR SERIES:** In *The Mirror of Infinite Endings*, she returns to the globally beloved world of *Once Upon a Broken Heart* with a spellbinding sequel to one of the bestselling fantasy series of the last decade. Join Jacks and Evangeline back in the magical heart of the Magnificent North in this fully-illustrated novella filled with breathtaking adventure and heart-pounding romance - and discover the true meaning of happily ever after . . .
- **WITH A GLOBAL FANBASE:** With more than 450k followers on Instagram, Stephanie's channels are only growing.
- **AND STUNNING SPECIAL EDITIONS:** *The Mirror of Infinite Endings* will have multiple beautiful hardback special editions, including exclusive sprayed edge editions available from Waterstones and Goldsboro.

Author Biography

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

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Caraval series

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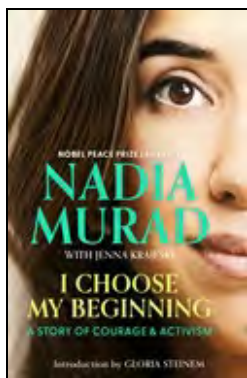
- Once Upon a Broken Heart (2021)
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**I Choose My Beginning
A Story of Courage and Activism**

Nadia Murad With Jenna Krajeski

Keynote

From the Nobel Peace Prize Winner, author of *The Last Girl*, comes an inspiring memoir about writing your own story in the aftermath of unspeakable crimes. With an introduction by Gloria Steinem

Description

FROM THE NOBEL PEACE PRIZE LAUREATE, AND RECIPIENT OF FRANCE'S LEGION OF HONOUR, NADIA MURAD RECLAIMS THE STORY OF HER LIFE IN THIS PROFOUNDLY MOVING MEMOIR INTRODUCED BY GLORIA STEINEM

'Nadia is a fierce warrior for justice and a beautiful human being I feel privileged to know. She will inspire women for generations' AMAL CLOONEY

In 2014, Nadia Murad was living in northern Iraq when her world was shattered. Fighters from the so-called Islamic State attacked her village, massacring hundreds - including her mother and six of her brothers - and forcing her, along with thousands of Yazidi women and girls, into ISIS's system of sexual slavery. Her life since then has been split in two. In one she is a global symbol of courage - a survivor and activist who has stood before world leaders to demand justice. In the other, she is a woman learning how to be a friend, a student, a wife; a woman rediscovering ordinary joy.

In *I Choose My Beginning*, Nadia brings these two selves together. With honesty and grace, she transforms the pain of her past into a life defined not by what was done to her, but by strength, perseverance, and the freedom to choose happiness. From reshaping international law to building a life filled with friendship and love, Nadia carries the memory of those she lost and those who survived. Their presence reminds her - and all of us - that she has always been more than a victim.

Powerful and deeply inspiring, *I Choose My Beginning* is the story of an extraordinary woman reclaiming her humanity - and showing that survival is not the end of the story. It is the beginning.

'An inspiring story of a woman fighting to create a life that's all her own'
KIRKUS REVIEWS

Sales Points

- **MAJOR PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN:** Both the UK and US publishing teams will back a major publicity campaign. CAA is also planning projects over the next few years, ranging from a documentary to speaking engagements and charitable works, positioning Nadia as an internationally recognized global leader.
- **FAMOUS SUPPORTERS:** *I Choose My Beginning's* campaign will be backed by important celebrities, such as Amal Clooney.
- **SUCCESSFUL BACKLIST:** Nadia's first book, *The Last Girl*, has sold over 72,000 copies across all editions.
- **NOBEL PEACE PRIZE WINNER:** In 2018, Nadia Murad jointly won a Nobel Peace prize for her human rights activism. She has won countless other human rights awards in recognition of her courage and continued efforts.

Reviews

- 'Offers powerful insight into the barbarity the Yazidi suffered . . . **this is an important book by a brave woman**' - *The Times on THE LAST GIRL*
- '**Courageous** . . . Anyone who wants to understand the so-called Islamic State should read *The Last Girl*' - *Economist on THE LAST GIRL*
- '**This devastating memoir unflinchingly recounts her experiences** and questions the complicity of witnesses who acquiesced in the suffering of others' - *New Yorker on THE LAST GIRL*
- 'Those who thought that by their cruelty they could silence her were wrong. **Nadia Murad's spirit is not broken, and her voice with not be muted**' - Amal Clooney on THE LAST GIRL

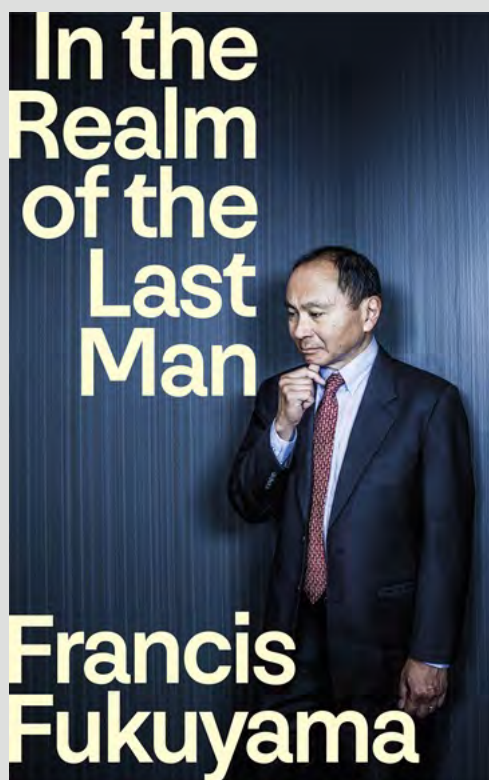
Author Biography

Nadia Murad is a human rights activist. She is the recipient of the Vaclav Havel Human Rights Prize and the Sakharov Prize, and is the UN's first Goodwill Ambassador for the Dignity of Survivors of Human Trafficking. Together with Yazda, a Yazidi rights organization, she is currently working to bring the Islamic State before the International Criminal Court on charges of genocide and crimes against humanity. She is also the founder of Nadia's Initiative, a programme dedicated to helping survivors of genocide and human trafficking to heal and rebuild their communities.

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REVIEWS

'Praise for Francis Fukuyama:
'Fukuyama has a unique skill for imbuing ideology with a narrative thrust' - *New Yorker*

'We need more thinkers as wise as Fukuyama' - *New York Times*

'A basic rule of intellectual life is that celebrity destroys quality... Francis Fukuyama is a glorious exception' - *Economist*

'Fukuyama writes about the degeneration of America's political system with the passion and frustration of a prophet straining to be heard' - *Spectator*

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In the Realm of the Last Man

FROM THE GLOBALLY BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF THE
END OF HISTORY AND THE LAST MAN

FRANCIS FUKUYAMA

KEYNOTE

A captivating history of the late-twentieth century from the world-renowned political scientist and thinker

SALES POINTS

- Fukuyama is a world-famous political scientist whose work consistently inspires global debate, coverage and public conversation
- A robust yet personal survey of the last three decades of history, for fans of *Why Nations Fail* by Daron Acemoglu and James Robinson, *Free* by Lea Ypi and Timothy Snyder's *How Democracies Die*
- Fukuyama's work has sold more than 300,000 copies for Profile, across print, e and audio

DESCRIPTION

'One of the West's most interesting public intellectuals' *THE TIMES*
'None is more eminent or experienced than Francis Fukuyama' *FINANCIAL TIMES*

In 1989, one year before the fall of the Berlin Wall, Francis Fukuyama - then an early-career academic who had cut his teeth conducting research for Ronald Reagan during his years as California governor - delivered a conference paper that would go on to become one of the most celebrated -and controversial - works of political theory of our time: *The End of History*.

By 2009, he had broken with his neoconservative mentors, from Allan Bloom to Paul Wolfowitz, after recanting his support for the 'disastrous' invasion of Iraq in 2003, and the laissez-faire economics that produced the financial crash of 2008.

But why did he change his mind? In this powerful political memoir, encompassing his father's involvement in the civil rights movement and his own work on CIA contracts in the 1980s, Fukuyama analyses his life alongside the seismic political shifts of the last thirty years - from Bush to Obama to Trump, from the War on Terror to Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

Profound and provocative, this is an intimate portrait of one of the twenty-first century's most important thinkers, an urgent study of contemporary politics - and a treatise on how the West can claw democracy back from the brink.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Francis Fukuyama is the internationally-bestselling author of 11 books, including his globally renowned *Liberalism and Its Discontents*. He is a Senior Fellow at Stanford's Freeman Spogli Institute, and the Director of the Center on Democracy, Development and the Rule of Law at Stanford University. He lives in California.

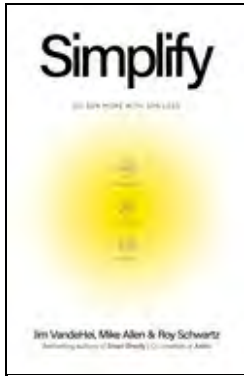
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Simplify

Do 50% more with 50% less

Jim VandeHei, Mike Allen and Roy Schwartz

Keynote

A practical guide to using simplicity to unlock productivity in your business and life - from the bestselling authors of *Smart Brevity*.

Description

It doesn't matter if you're selling cars, insurance, financial advice or content. The trick is delivering a product with maximum profit for minimal cost, time and wasted energy. You do this by ruthlessly simplifying everything: Your mission. Your structure. Your team. Your goals. Your process.

When you simplify everything, productivity, profits and personal enjoyment soar. That's the promise of *Simplify It*, the follow up to the bestseller *Smart Brevity*.

You do less to do more.

Simplify It is the ultimate tool to create the leanest, most efficient way to do everything:

- * Distill your strategies and tasks into what's vital - and what's not.
- * Unify your team around What Matters Most.
- * Change how you and your team and your company think and work.
- * Simplify with ruthless efficiency all the above.

Sales Points

- **A TRIED AND TESTED FORMULA:** *Smart Brevity*, John Murray Business' first book from this team, published in January 2023 and despite being a very late drop in, has gone on to sell 25k copies to date in our markets (300,000 including the US edition).
- **ORIGINAL CASE STUDIES:** The authors' company, AxiosHQ, is a software and training company for companies, Fortune 500 on down. The case studies in *Scaling Simplicity* come directly from their work with major corporations such as Chase and American Airlines
- **RELATABLE HOOK:** Their tag line for the simplicity revolution is a 50/50 Rule: How to Do 50% More With 50% Less. It's a life-changing strategy for being far more productive by simplifying everything you do.
- **EXPORT POTENTIAL:** The productivity topic and short and accessible content should work well in international markets.
- **AUTHOR MARKETING PLAN:** Axios are an eight year old media company, which has turned news on its head by delivering newsletters straight to influencer email boxes in the simplest, most digestible, highest impact terms. They have 3M global newsletter subscribers, 20M monthly website users and nearly 2M followers on social. Axios will devote significant resources to the book's success, at launch and afterwards.

Author Biography

Jim VandeHei is co-founder and CEO of Axios and the New York Times bestselling author of *Just the Good Stuff* and *Smart Brevity: The Power of Saying More with Less*. VandeHei is also co-founder and former CEO of Politico and spent more than a decade as a reporter for *The Wall Street Journal* and *The Washington Post*.

Mike Allen is co-founder of Axios and the face of Axios' three flagship newsletters - Axios AM, PM, and Finish Line - and co-author of the bestselling *Smart Brevity: The Power of Saying More with Less*. He co-founded Politico and is an alumnus of *TIME*, *The New York Times*, and *The Washington Post*.

Roy Schwartz is co-founder of Axios and Axios HQ, co-author of the bestselling *Smart Brevity: The Power of Saying More with Less*, and executive producer of the Emmy Award-winning *Axios* on HBO. He previously served as chief revenue officer at Politico.

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The Knave and the Moon

The spellbinding sequel to *The Knight and the Moth* from multi-million-copy bestseller Rachel Gillig

Rachel Gillig

Keynote

Rachel Gillig, the queen of gothic romantasy, returns with higher stakes, darker mysteries and deeper longings in this gorgeous sequel to the No. 1 international bestselling sensation *The Knight and the Moth*.

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Aisling Cathedral is in ruins. Rodrick Myndacious, Bartholomew and Maude Bauer are rumored to be dead - and the king has taken Sybil Delling as his bride. To show off their union and solidify his power over Traum, Benji proposes a series of tournaments throughout the hamlets. Captive and drugged, Sybil remains determined to vanquish him as she once did the Omens, even if she destroys the kingdom's faith - and herself - in the process.

But then a mysterious knave rises to the top of the lists, a man with no name and no memory who may just be Sybil's ticket to undoing Benji's power. For in a land where stories repeat themselves, where a king can prove as cruel as a god, the only way to truly destroy the Stonewater Kingdom's faith is to save it.

Praise for *The Knight and the Moth*:

'Dreamy prose, characters so vibrant they breathe on the page, a romance that smoulders, and a spellbinding world to get lost in. Prepare to meet your next obsession' Rebecca Ross, author of *Divine Rivals*

'*The Knight and the Moth* delivers pure joy: gargoyles! gods! girls in armour! alongside a serious examination of faith, fealty, and the powers they serve. It's a fairy tale with bruised knuckles, perfectly balanced between the mythic and the desperately human. Simply stunning' Alix E. Harrow, author of *Starling House*

'Haunting, elegant and lovely, *The Knight and the Moth* is that rare fantasy gem: both a thrilling quest and an exquisite love story' Tasha Suri, award-winning author of *The Burning Kingdoms* trilogy

'With the headiness of dreams and the darkness of haunted abbeys, *The Knight and the Moth* is dazzlingly transportive tale of love, salvation, and freedom that cements Gillig as one of the finest fantasy writers of our age. You will never want to surface from these enchanting, depthless waters' Ava Reid, author of *A Study in Drowning*

'I'm obsessed with Rachel Gillig. *The Knight and the Moth* is achingly romantic, richly imagined, and told with a gossamer delicacy that keeps the pages flying' Hannah Whitten, author of *The Foxglove King*

'A gothic, romantic fairy tale that feels like falling into a dark, strange dream - one you won't want to wake from. Gillig has done it again - I'm obsessed' Amélie Wen Zhao, author of *Song of Silver, Flame Like Night*

'Brimming with beguiling prose, and a dangerous magical world, *The Knight and the Moth* sparkles with wit and a slow burn romance that left me breathless and impatient for the next instalment' Isabel Ibañez, author of *What the River Knows*

'*The Knight and the Moth* is a lavender-drenched dream. Readers won't be able to put down this adventurous, dark gem of a book' Kalie Cassidy, author of *In the Veins of the Drowning*

Sales Points

- ***The Knight and the Moth* was an instant Number one *Sunday Times* bestseller and instant *New York Times* bestseller.**
- **The Shepherd King duology is an instant *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestseller**
- **HUGE TIKTOK HIT:** Rachel Gillig's previous series that begins with *One Dark Window*, has over 30 million TikTok views and *One Dark Window* is regularly charting in the top 100 kindle charts in the UK and ANZ

- **RACHEL GILLIG IS A MULTI-MILLION-COPY GLOBAL BESTSELLER, having sold over 2 million copies worldwide as of March 2025**

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Reviews

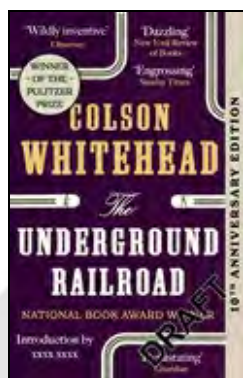
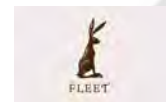
- 'An **evocative tale of romance, mystery and alluring monsters**, told in **beautifully lush prose**. Rachel Gillig has created a **story which left me entranced**' - Lyndall Clipstone, author of *LAKESEDGE*
- 'A beautifully dark fairy tale of blood, rage and bitter choice, that whisked me away to mist-wreathed woods ripe with romance and menace' - Davinia Evans, author of *NOTORIOUS SORCERER*
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Author Biography

Rachel Gillig is the *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author of the Shepherd King series. If she's not ensconced in blankets, dreaming up her next novel, Rachel is out walking in beautiful coastal California with her husband, son and their dignified poodle Wally.

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The Underground Railroad

Colson Whitehead

Keynote

From prize-winning, bestselling author Colson Whitehead, a magnificent, wrenching, thrilling tour de force chronicling a young slave's adventures as she makes a desperate bid for freedom in the antebellum South

Description

WINNER OF THE PULITZER PRIZE FOR FICTION 2017
#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER AND A NEW YORK TIMES BOOK OF THE YEAR
WINNER OF THE ARTHUR C. CLARKE AWARD 2017
LONGLISTED FOR THE MAN BOOKER PRIZE 2017
NATIONAL BOOK AWARD WINNER 2016

Cora is a slave on a cotton plantation in Georgia. All the slaves lead a hellish existence, but Cora has it worse than most; she is an outcast even among her fellow Africans and she is approaching womanhood, where it is clear even greater pain awaits. When Caesar, a slave recently arrived from Virginia, tells her about the Underground Railroad, they take the perilous decision to escape to the North.

In Whitehead's razor-sharp imagining of the antebellum South, the Underground Railroad has assumed a physical form: a dilapidated box car pulled along subterranean tracks by a steam locomotive, picking up fugitives wherever it can. Cora and Caesar's first stop is South Carolina, in a city that initially seems like a haven. But its placid surface masks an infernal scheme designed for its unknowing black inhabitants. And even worse: Ridgeway, the relentless slave catcher sent to find Cora, is close on their heels. Forced to flee again, Cora embarks on a harrowing flight, state by state, seeking true freedom.

At each stop on her journey, Cora encounters a different world. As Whitehead brilliantly recreates the unique terrors for black people in the pre-Civil War era, his narrative seamlessly weaves the saga of America, from the brutal importation of Africans to the unfulfilled promises of the present day. *The Underground Railroad* is at once the story of one woman's ferocious will to escape the horrors of bondage and a shatteringly powerful meditation on history.

'Whitehead is on a roll: the reviews have been sublime' *Guardian*

'Luminous, furious, wildly inventive' *Observer*

'Hands down one of the best, if not the best, book I've read this year' *Stylist*

'Dazzling' *New York Review of Books*

Sales Points

- A #1 *New York Times* and international bestseller.
- Winner of the **Pulitzer Prize for Fiction** and the **National Book Award**.
- An **Oprah 2.0 Book Club** Pick; a #1 **Indie** Bestseller; a #1 **Washington Post** bestseller; a **Wall Street Journal** and **USA Today** bestseller.
- A Book of the Year pick for the *Telegraph*, *New York Times*, *Guardian*, *Independent*, *Observer*, *Mail on Sunday*, *Times Literary Supplement*, *Herald*, *Daily Mail*, *GQ*, *Red*, *Waterstones* and *QI*.
- A TV series adaptation directed by **Barry Jenkins**, director of ***Moonlight***, was released on Amazon in 2021 and praised as 'unbearably bleak, brutal and brilliant as the book' *Guardian*

Awards

Longlisted for the 2017 Goldsboro Books Glass Bell Award
 Longlisted for the 2017 The Man Booker Prize
 Nominated for the 2017 International Dublin Literary Award
 Shortlisted for the 2017 Andrew Carnegie Medal for Excellence
 Winner of the 2016 National Book Awards
 Winner of the 2017 Arthur C. Clarke Award
 Winner of the 2017 Books Are My Bag Readers Awards novel category
 Winner of the 2017 Pulitzer Price for Fiction

Reviews

- **'It has invaded both my sleeping and waking thoughts . . . Each character feels alive with a singular humanity . . . Whitehead is on a roll, the reviews have been sublime'** - *Bim Adewumni, Guardian*
- **'An engrossing, harrowing novel'** - *Sunday Times*
- **'an elegant, devastating powerhouse of a book'** - *Guardian*
- **'I haven't been as simultaneously moved and entertained by a book for many years. This is a luminous, furious, wildly inventive tale'** - *Observer*

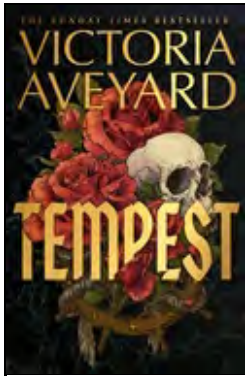


Author Biography

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

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Tempest
Meet your next fantasy obsession from the multimillion-copy bestselling author of global sensation Red Queen

Victoria Aveyard

Keynote

THE MULTIMILLION-COPY BESTSELLER OF INTERNATIONAL YA FANTASY PHENOMENON RED QUEEN RETURNS WITH HER ADULT DEBUT . . .

Description

- 'Triumphant' **REBECCA YARROS**
- 'Essential reading' **JOHN GWYNNE**
- 'Meticulous fantasy' **RACHEL GILLIG**
- 'Masterful' **ADALYN GRACE**
- 'Deeply romantic' **MARIE LU**
- 'Outrageously fun' **ROSHANI CHOKSHI**
- 'Beautifully crafted' **ELISE KOVA**
- 'Swashbuckling' **LAURA STEVEN**
- 'Cinematic' **DANIELLE L. JENSEN**
- 'Stunning' **ADRIENNE YOUNG**
- 'Epic' **ISABEL IBANEZ**
- 'Her best yet' **SARAH REES BRENNAN**
- 'Magic' **JACQUELINE CAREY**

MAY THE SEA ALWAYS SING FOR YOU

Cat Rose knows what it is to live in two worlds, in two times. Before - as Lady Catrine Rose of the Meridian Empire, chained to a loathsome lord with a dwindling fortune. And after - as the Widow Rose, queen of a pirate tavern on the Lyrian Sea, determined to be the master of her own fate.

But tides turn and winds change. The Meridian Empire looms on the horizon, the full weight of her navy falling on the Lyrian, bent on reclaiming the wealthy colonies and crushing the pirate republic once and for all. Ship after ship is captured, save for one, captained by a pirate who continually evades both noose and blade: the legendary Valerian Kane.

With his fearsome ship and uncanny connection to the song of the sea, Valerian is the only man who might rally the pirates who remain. The only man who threatens the Empire. And the only man Cat has ever loved, blazing in and out of her life like a star.

Desperate for victory, the Empire offers Cat a devastating choice: bring them Valerian or hang. In truth, no choice at all. But Cat Rose is nothing if not a survivor. A storm is rising on the Lyrian Sea - the question is, what will it leave in its wake?

From Sunday Times bestselling author Victoria Aveyard comes an epic adventure of love and betrayal amid a brutal war for the high seas.

Sales Points

- **FROM THE MULTIMILLION-COPY BESTSELLER:** Victoria Aveyard is the internationally bestselling author of the *Red Queen* and *Realm Breaker* series. With rights sold in 43 languages and counting, worldwide sales of Victoria's books have now surpassed 9 million copies. Every single book also debuted as a No. 1 *New York Times* bestseller, with multiple *Sunday Times* bestsellers too. *Red Queen* is now in development for a TV series with Peacock directed by Elizabeth Banks (*The Hunger Games*).
- **A BRAND-NEW FANTASY SERIES:** Won in a ferocious 7-figure 8-way auction in the US by HarperVoyager and on exclusive submission in the UK that sees her move from Orion Fiction to Gollancz, *Tempest* marks Victoria Aveyard's adult debut and will be a major global priority launch, a brand-new fantasy series set in a world inspired by the Golden Age of Piracy, where a last alliance of pirate captains joins arms against a tyrannical empire determined to wipe them out forever.
- **WITH A GLOBAL FANBASE:** Commanding nearly 1 million followers across Instagram and TikTok, plus a brand-new writing podcast launched in 2025 (Plot Twist), Victoria's channels are only growing.
- **JAW-DROPPING SPECIAL EDITIONS:** With multiple hardback special editions already in the works in both the US and the UK, this is set to be her biggest global launch ever.
- **AND AN INTERNATIONAL TOUR:** Victoria will be embarking on a global tour to promote *Tempest* in 2026.

Author Biography

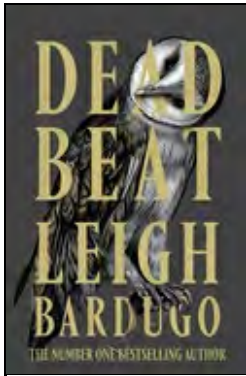
Victoria Aveyard is an author and screenwriter based in Los Angeles, California. She is the author of the #1 *New York Times* bestselling series *Red Queen* and the #1 *New York*



Times and *Sunday Times* bestselling series *Realm Breaker*, with more than five million books in print, translated into 43 languages and counting.

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Thema 1.6	Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA) Horror, ghost stories and supernatural fiction (FK) Contemporary horror, ghost stories and supernatural fiction (FKM) Fantasy romance / Romantic fantasy (FMR) Dark fantasy (FMT) Urban fantasy (FMX) Occult fiction / Paranormal Horror (FKW)

Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	496 pages
Word Count	
Series	Ninth House
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire
Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA

Book locale	New Haven, Connecticut
Author living in	Los Angeles, US

Previous Titles
Grishaverse series
Shadow and Bone (2012)
Siege and Storm (2013)
Ruin and Rising (2014)
Six of Crows (2015)
Crooked Kingdom (2016)
The Language of Thorns: Midnight Tales and Dangerous Magic (2017)
King of Scars (2019)
The Lives of Saints (2020)
Rule of Wolves (2021)
Demon in the Wood: A Shadow and Bone Graphic Novel (2022)
A Darker Shore: Letters from Ketterdam (2026)

Ninth House series
Ninth House (2019)
Hell Bent (2023)

Standalone novels
Wonder Woman: Warbringer (2017)
The Familiar (2024)

1st Serial **Refer to Publisher**

Dead Beat

The highly anticipated grand finale to the Sunday Times bestselling Ninth House series from the global phenomenon behind the Grishaverse

Leigh Bardugo

Keynote
THE ORIGINAL TIKTOK SENSATION

Dark academia meets occult magic in *Dead Beat*, the third and final book in the Sunday Times bestselling and multiple Goodreads Choice Award-winning Ninth House series from the global phenomenon behind the Grishaverse.

Description
The highly anticipated, explosive conclusion to the Ninth House trilogy from Sunday Times bestselling author Leigh Bardugo.

Hell is empty and all the devils are here...

Alex Stern made it to hell and back more than once, but this time she left the door open behind her. Demons are creeping through the streets of New Haven and the Yale campus, feeding on the souls of the living, terrifying the dead. Alex and her allies can hunt them, but it's only a matter of time before the gates to the underworld spring wide and they face a war they cannot win. To stop it, they'll have to reach deep into the secrets of Yale and its societies, and discover the truth hidden in Alex's own blood.

While she struggles to hold onto the dream of a future Yale once offered, Alex must contend with the machinations of a corrupt Lethe Board and a deadly vampire with his own connection to the societies. But for the first time in her life, she won't have to face the fight alone. Dawes, Turner, Mercy, and even Tripp will have roles to play, none more so than Alex's mentor, Darlington, the golden boy who lived so long in her head, now back in the flesh and cursed with dangerous powers of his own. Hell itself is stalking the delegates of Lethe House, and they're all about to learn that demons don't play by human rules.

PRAISE FOR THE NINTH HOUSE SERIES:

- 'Impossible to put down' **STEPHEN KING**
- 'One of the best fantasy novels I've read in years' **LEV GROSSMAN**
- 'Ninth House rocked my world' **JOE HILL**
- 'I wouldn't blame you for taking the day off to finish it' **KELLY LINK**
- 'Mesmerising' **CHARLAINE HARRIS**
- 'A tour de force' **THE NEW YORK TIMES**
- 'Compulsively readable' **KIRKUS**
- 'Atmospheric' **BOOKLIST**
- 'The fantasy novel of the year' **THE I**

Sales Points

- **FROM THE GLOBAL PHENOMENON:** Leigh Bardugo is the multimillion-copy bestseller behind the record-smashing Grishaverse series and Netflix phenomenon *Shadow and Bone*. Now she returns to Gollancz with the third instalment in her multi-award-winning dark academia series Ninth House.
- **THE ORIGINAL TIKTOK SENSATION:** *Dead Beat* is the third and final book in the internationally bestselling Ninth House series, the original dark academia TikTok sensation following the deadly adventures of necromancy student Alex Stern as she navigates the duplicitous secret magical societies of Yale University and even hell itself to save her mentor and almost-lover-turned-demon Darlington . . .
- **IN DEVELOPMENT FOR TV:** The Ninth House series is also now in development for TV with Amazon Studios.
- **WITH UNPRECEDENTED BUZZ:** Both *Ninth House* and *Hell Bent* won Goodreads Choice Awards and anticipation for the conclusion is at an all-time fever pitch across Leigh's vast social media audience, where she commands more than 650k followers on Instagram alone.
- **AND HER BIGGEST CAMPAIGN EVER:** *Dead Beat* is a top priority launch in every single one of its markets and the campaign will feature her biggest marketing push yet.

Author Biography

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

Embargo Date **Wednesday, December 30, 2099**

Publication date **Thursday, September 24, 2026**

Price **£10.99 / ₹599**

Main Identifier **9781399764612**

Thema 1.6 **Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA) Horror, ghost stories and supernatural fiction (FK) Contemporary horror, ghost stories and supernatural fiction (FKM)**

Binding **Paperback**

Format **B Format**

Extent **272 pages**

Word Count

Illustrations **N/A**

Exclusively for Sale **Cw; Ire; UK**

Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Book locale **USA**

Author born in **Portland, Maine**

Author living in **Maine, USA**

Previous Titles

Never Flinch
You Like It Darker
Holly

1st Serial **refer to publisher**

2nd Serial **refer to publisher**

Audio **Hodder**

Dramatisation and documentary **refer to publisher**

Electronic **Hodder**

Film and TV **Rand Holston Management**

Large print **Hodder**

Podcast **refer to publisher**

Translation **The Lotts Agency**

Undramatised (straight) reading **refer to publisher**

US **Scribner**

Carrie

An iconic chiller from the No. 1 bestseller

Stephen King

Keynote

Stephen King's legendary debut about a teenage outcast and the revenge she enacts on her classmates is a Classic. CARRIE is the novel which set on the road to becoming the Number One bestselling author King is today.

Description

Carrie is Stephen King's legendary debut.

Carrie White is no ordinary girl.

Carrie White has the gift of telekinesis.

To be invited to Prom Night by Tommy Ross is a dream come true for Carrie - the first step towards social acceptance by her high school colleagues.

But events will take a decidedly macabre turn on that horrifying and endless night as she is forced to exercise her terrible gift on the town that mocks and loathes her . . .

Sales Points

- **PRIME TV SERIES:** this edition is published as a tie-in to the new Amazon Prime series, directed by Mike Flanagan and starring Summer H. Howell.
- **ICONIC STORY:** CARRIE was also a celebrated film by Brian DePalma starring Sissy Spacek, and also inspired a remake with Chloe Moretz.
- **ALSO A KING CLASSIC HB** with an introduction by Margaret Atwood, which became a Sunday Times bestseller 50 years after first publication.

Reviews

- '*Carrie* reads like a book written without fear, the calling card of a writer with immense storytelling power . . . One of my favourite things about the novel is its unusual scrapbook effect. Interspersing the story with snippets and clippings from fictionalised articles about the "Carrie phenomenon", King creates a sense of foreboding . . . a great work: haunting, hard to stop reading, close to the bone. And still exhilarating, half a century later -' - *Independent*
- 'Guaranteed to chill you' - *New York Times*

Author Biography

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

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

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

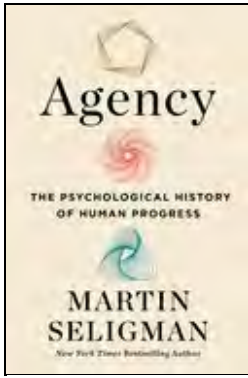
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Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	400 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex UK, Can); Ire
Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
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Agency

The Psychological History of Human Progress

Martin Seligman

Keynote

From the world's most influential psychologist - a landmark work that shows how human agency is the key to building a better future.

Description

Drawing on six decades of pioneering research and a sweeping reexamination of the last 2500 years-from Periclean Athens and the Hebrew Torah to the Renaissance, the Enlightenment and the Civil Rights Movement-Martin Seligman shows how rises and falls in agency have steered the course of history.

Agency is the big idea for our times: when individuals have confidence, optimism and imagination, civilizations leap forward. In their absence, societies stagnate-no matter how rich their resources or how brilliant their citizens.

This remarkable book shows how individuals can act with agency and, with a clear-eyed view of an AI-transformed future, argues that we are entering the next great era of human flourishing.

Sales Points

- **AN ICON OF CONTEMPORARY PSYCHOLOGY:** Martin Seligman is the founding father of the positive psychology movement and an undisputed expert on his subject.
- **HIS MAGNUM OPUS:** Simon & Schuster US are positioning this as his most powerful and important work. Unlike his more practical psychology publishing to date, this his ambitious and sweeping account of human agency through history
- **IMPRESSIVE SALES TRACK:** 180K sales to date worth almost £600k. His bestsellers to date have been *Flourish* (53k), *Authentic Happiness* (51k), and *Learned Optimism* (46k).
- **EXPECT STRONG US TAIL WINDS:** Endorsements are coming in, expect a significant media campaign and reviews. Interest building in the UK.
- **A SELIGMAN PUBLISHING MOMENT:** Backlist reissue including audio for the first time for *The Hope Circuit*, *The Optimistic Child*, and potentially even *Flourish* and *Authentic Happiness*.

Reviews

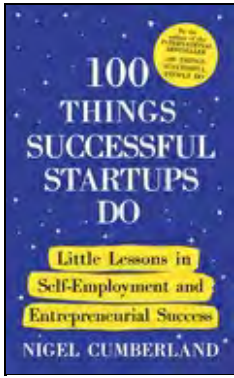
- 'This book feels both like the capstone of a brilliant career and the beginning of a new paradigm. *Agency* is a thrilling achievement from the person who has most changed how we think about human flourishing.' - Rebecca Newberger Goldstein, author of *The Mattering Instinct: How Our Deepest Longing Drives Us and Divides Us*.
- 'In this extraordinary book, Martin Seligman shows that one phenomena, agency, has propelled all human progress and flourishing. This will enable you to understand the past in new ways-but even more importantly, to build the future you want.' - Arthur C. Brooks, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *The Meaning of Your Life*
- 'An intriguing and robustly argued worldview that puts the creative human mind at the center of history.' - *Publisher's Weekly*

Author Biography

Martin Seligman, PhD, is a professor at the University of Pennsylvania, director of the Positive Psychology Center, and former president of the American Psychological Association. He received his BA in philosophy from Princeton University, and his PhD in psychology from the University of Pennsylvania and holds ten honorary doctorates. He was named the most influential psychologist in the world by *Academic Influence*. Along with writing for numerous scholarly publications and appearing in *The New York Times*, *Time*, *Newsweek*, and many others, he is also the author and coauthor of over thirty books, including *Flourish*, *Authentic Happiness*, and *Tomorrowmind*.

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Binding	Hardback
Format	Demy
Depth	22mm
Extent	224 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Series	100 Things, 100 Things
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100 Things Successful Startups Do Little Lessons in Self-Employment and Entrepreneurial Success

Nigel Cumberland

Keynote

100 brilliant ideas for aspiring entrepreneurs, each one presented over two pages with the first introducing the concept and the second showing you how to do it.

Description

Your Guide to Startup Success

Whether you dream of launching your own business or you've already started your entrepreneurial journey, this book is you. This is your toolkit for building your entrepreneurial skills quickly and confidently.

What separates successful entrepreneurs from the rest isn't necessarily a groundbreaking idea or being the smartest or hardest worker in the room; it's a combination of mindset, habits, strategies and skills that will help you overcome obstacles and thrive in your chosen business environment and marketplace.

100 Things Successful Startups Do is packed with great ideas for launching a successful venture, all carefully chosen to help you navigate whatever challenges and opportunities cross your path and give you the best chance of success as you grow your business. So whether you're looking for guidance on writing a business plan, attracting investors, managing a growing team or staying resilient when the going gets tough, you'll find everything you need within these pages.

Explore the habits, tools, techniques and mentality of smart startups and develop your own business style. Every chapter features a new idea to help you form the habits and mindset of a successful entrepreneur. Together, they are your springboard to success. Mixing simple explanations with activities and exercises, you'll learn the optimal mindset and habits you need to succeed.

100 Things Successful Startups Do is your go-to resource for encouragement, advice and practical steps to help you succeed. Now it's time to get started.

Praise for 100 THINGS SUCCESSFUL PEOPLE DO

'Inside these pages you'll find a powerful reminder of the many ways you can make your life - and other people's lives - more successful. It will help you identify what success means to you and give you the building blocks for making that success a reality. This is your chance to overcome whatever obstacles are stopping you. Read it, act on it and experience the difference' **Marshall Goldsmith** Ph.D., bestselling author of **TRIGGERS**

Sales Points

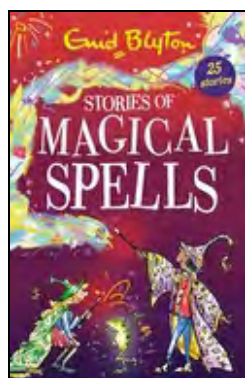
- **BUILDING ON AN BESTSELLING SERIES:** Over 130k books sold across 4 titles, bringing in £1/2M in revenue.
- **INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVE:** Unlike most start up books this one will be fully international, avoiding all references to local business laws and tax arrangements.
- **RIGHTS DEALS:** over 40 Rights deals across the series - Nigel is a great asset for Rights and this very international-focused start up book should appeal to existing publishers.
- **US & EXPORT SALES:** Exceptionally strong US track record with potential to grow and Nigel's Asian and ME connections have helped deliver strong international sales to date.
- **FORMAT:** A simple, list-driven formula that readers can dip in and out of written in simple, approachable, direct language.

Author Biography

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

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Stories of Magical Spells

Enid Blyton

Keynote

A collection of spellbinding stories full of magical creatures and exciting adventures from Enid Blyton, the world's best-loved storyteller.

Description

There's magic around every corner in this spellbinding short story collection from Enid Blyton, the world's best-loved storyteller!

Discover the goblin who cast a wicked spell, the magic stone that finds lost things and the boots that walk away on their own. From wizards and witches to pixies and fairies and all the spells they cast in between, there's something for everyone in this magical collection from Enid Blyton.

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

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

Read all of Enid Blyton's bumper short story collections. New in 2026:

Cosy Bedtime Stories

Perfect Pet Stories

Five-Minute Christmas Stories

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Sales Points

- The bumper short-story collections have sold over 500,000 copies in the UK and export [Vista sales]
- These short stories are perfect for newly confident readers to read alone or for shared reading
- Fresh and contemporary cover illustrations by Mark Beech and foil finishes make these books the perfect gifts

Author Biography

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

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

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

Publication date	Thursday, September 10, 2026
Price	£7.99 / ₹599
Main Identifier	9781444981438
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage fiction: Classic fiction (YFA) Children's / Teenage fiction: Magical realism / Magical fantasy (YFHD) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF) Hallowe'en / Halloween (5HCP)

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

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	352 pages
Word Count	
Series	Bumper Short Story Collections
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can

Author born in	East Dulwich
Author living in	Deceased

Previous Titles

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



Malory Towers Mystery Club: Kidnap at Midnight Book 1

Fleur Hitchcock

Keynote

Malory Towers with a mystery twist! A brand-new series by Fleur Hitchcock, inspired by Enid Blyton.

Description

Malory Towers with a mystery twist! A brand-new series by Fleur Hitchcock, inspired by Enid Blyton.

New girl Emma can't wait to meet her classmates and explore the famous Malory Towers. Together with her new-found friends Sheila and Marie she quickly settles into school life, but soon there are big questions to be answered . . . What secret is their classmate Margaret hiding? Why is she lurking around the stables? And could there really be a kidnapper on the loose at Malory Towers?

Only the Malory Towers Mystery Club can solve this puzzle!

A brand-new mystery series, full of friendship, intrigue and beloved characters old and new. Perfect for every generation of Blyton readers.

Sales Points

- Following the success of the *New Famous Five* series by Chris Smith, this is an exciting *Malory Towers* extension series that captures the essence of the original with an exciting mystery twist
- Cosy crime continues to ride high in the charts and this is a perfect introduction to the genre for younger readers, set at the beloved Malory Towers
- Perfect for younger fans of *Murder Most Unladylike* by Robin Stevens
- Targeted at 8+ readers but with plenty to appeal to older Blyton fans as well
- Fleur Hitchcock is the perfect author for this series - a lifelong Blyton fan, an author with a proven track record in writing mysteries for children and a Waterstones bookseller based in Bath.

Author Biography

Fleur writes thrillers and adventures for 8 - 13 year olds, many of which are mysteries, mostly contemporary, and some historical. With more than 20 published books behind her, she is a passionate advocate for children's reading and enjoyment of books, working as a children's bookseller in Bath and bringing books and children together in schools across the country.

She has been nominated for many prizes and has won both the Leeds and Salford book awards. She lives in the Wiltshire countryside, and sets most of her books in the West Country. She is married and has two adult children.

Publication date	Thursday, September 10, 2026
Price	£7.99 / ₹499
Main Identifier	9781444985337
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage fiction: Crime and mystery fiction (YFCF) Children's / Teenage fiction: School stories (YFS) Children's / Teenage personal and social topics: Friends and friendships (YXHB) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ) Interest age: from c 9 years (5AK)

CBMC	D3N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
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Binding Format	Paperback B Format
Extent	208 pages
Word Count	
Series	Malory Towers Mystery Club
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Author living in	Bath
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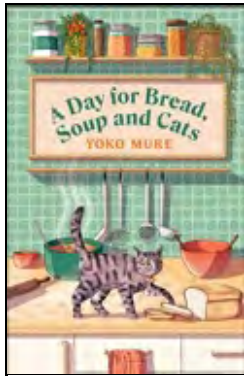
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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	192 pages
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Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Author living in	Japan
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A Day for Bread, Soup and Cats

Yoko Mure

Keynote

An irresistibly heartwarming bestseller from an exciting Japanese voice, perfect for fans of *Kitchen* by Banana Yoshimoto, *Days at the Morisaki Bookshop* by Michiko Aoyama, and *Convenience Store Woman* by Sayaka Murata. Translated by Shanna Tan, translator of the bestselling *Welcome to the Hyunam-Dong Bookshop*.

Description

THE JAPANESE BESTSELLER, TRANSLATED BY SHANNA TAN, TRANSLATOR OF THE BESTSELLING SENSATION WELCOME TO THE HYUNAM-DONG BOOKSHOP

'Cooking can't be measured in hours or minutes,' Sensei had told her... 'You cook with the five senses: by looking, listening, smelling...'

When Akiko's mother unexpectedly dies, she's forced to rethink certain aspects of her life. A senior editor at a glamorous publishing house, she quits her job and moves back to her hometown. There, she's committed to revamping her late mother's well-loved izakaya into a café that offers simple and delectable food: a daily menu of sandwiches, soups, salads, and small bowls of fruit.

With a stray cat called Taro, her kind and hardworking kitchen helper Shima-chan, and a group of friendly neighbours, Akiko embarks on a new journey and slowly reconciles with her unusual upbringing and complicated memories from her past.

Written in simple and elegant prose, *A Day for Bread, Soup, and Cats* is a moving novel about grief, love, loneliness, and the healing power of a good meal shared.

Sales Points

- **HEALING FICTION TREND:** The healing trend has been huge in the past year, with books in this space all over social media, on tables across the high street (Indies and Waterstones), and readership appetite ever-growing. *A Day for Bread, Soup, and Cats* is the perfect combination of cosy, hooky, and compelling - all the makings of a classic comfort for the Waterstones reader.
- **INTERNATIONAL NOISE:** Rights for the novel has been sold world: China, France, Germany, Italy, The Netherlands, Portugal, Taiwan, Russia, and World Spanish.
- **TRANSLATED FICTION BUZZ:** Translated fiction has been massive in the UK market for the past few years, and especially coming off the heels of Han Kang's recent Nobel Prize win, the buzz has been big and booming. Indies and Waterstones consistently have tables dedicated to translated fiction, and Japanese titles in particular have been a fan-favourite - in 2022, a Nielsen report detailed that Japanese fiction was the most-read fiction in the UK's translated space, and a quick scroll on Instagram/TikTok shows an unending stream of Japanese titles (*Days at the Morisaki Bookshop*, *Convenience Store Woman*, *Before the Coffee Gets Cold*, etc.)
- **JAPANESE SENSATION:** *A Day for Bread, Soup, and Cats* been a long-selling title in Japan, having sold 140,000 copies. It also made a splash in the world of TV and Film, when it was turned into a drama series in 2013.

Author Biography

Born in 1954, Yoko Mure graduated from Nihon University College of Art in 1977. She started to write essays while working at a magazine publishing house and in 1984, she published her debut essay collection, *Brown Rice Bread before Midnight*. Since then, her writing has been prolific: she is the author of dozens of novels and essay books, and has become one of Japan's most successful writers. *A Day for Bread, Soup, and Cats* was adapted into a Japanese TV drama in 2013.

Market

Kitchen by Banana Yoshimoto, *Days at the Morisaki Bookshop* by Michiko Aoyama, *Convenience Store Woman* by Sayaka Murata, *Before the Coffee Gets Cold* by Toshikazu Kawaguchi

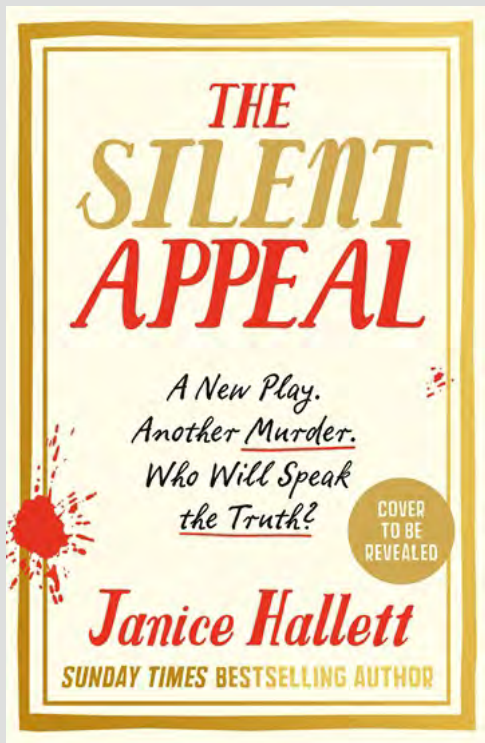
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REVIEWS

‘Classic Hallett. A superlative mystery, full of surprises and hilarious as always. A worthy sequel to the mighty *The Appeal*’ - Alex Pavesi, author of EIGHT DETECTIVES

‘Comedy gold. Razor sharp cuts inflicted with gentle wit’ - Emma Curtis, author of ONE LITTLE MISTAKE

‘This is pure catnip for mystery readers, like the national treasure she is, Janice Hallett has done it again. This is the absolute pinnacle of modern crime writing’ - Ian Moore, author of DEATH AND CROISSANTS

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The Silent Appeal

JANICE HALLETT

KEYNOTE

Janice Hallett makes her triumphant return to Lockwood in this much anticipated sequel to her record-breaking bestselling debut *The Appeal*

SALES POINTS

- The stunning sequel to Janice Hallett's genre-busting *Sunday Times* bestselling novels *The Appeal* and *The Christmas Appeal* (**combined 436k copies all formats**)
- All six of Hallett's previous novels have been *Sunday Times* bestsellers. She has won the CWA Debut Dagger, Crime Novel of the Year at the British Books Awards, and been picked for the Richard & Judy Book Club, Daily Mail Book Club and Waterstones Thriller of the Month

DESCRIPTION

* **THE HUGELY ANTICIPATED SEQUEL TO THE SMASH-HIT BESTSELLER, *THE APPEAL*** *

'The pinnacle of modern crime writing' - IAN MOORE

'Layer upon layer of tantalising mystery' - J.M. HALL

A New Play. Another Murder. Who Will Speak the Truth?

It's a new theatrical season in Lower Lockwood, and the amateur thespians of the Fairway Players are starting rehearsals for their production of Agatha Christie's *The Hollow*. Despite divisive new arrivals, countless petty jealousies and a near-fatal accident with the lighting rig, surely this will be their greatest show to date?

But someone isn't going to make it to opening night. Could it be producer Sarah-Jane's mysterious sister, lately arrived home after twenty years abroad? New member Lucas, whose shady business dealings may be his downfall? Or perhaps once-convicted murderer Issy Beck, recently acquitted but still up to her old tricks?

Lawyers Charlotte and Femi must sift through the emails, texts and police reports to identify the victim and find out why the person convicted of the murder refuses to speak out in their own defence... Will they uncover the truth in time? Will you?

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Janice Hallett is the author of six *Sunday Times* bestselling novels, most recently *The Killer Question* and *The Examiner*. Her smash-hit debut novel, *The Appeal*, was a Waterstones Thriller of the Month and won the CWA Debut Dagger Award. *The Twyford Code* won the British Book Awards Crime and Thriller Book of the Year, and *The Mysterious Case of the Alperton Angels* was a Richard and Judy Book Club pick. She lives in West London.

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 Thema 1.6 **Puzzles and quizzes (WDK) Hobbies, quizzes and games (WD) c 1811 to c 1820 (Regency period) (3ML-GB-PR)**

Binding **Trade Paperback**
 Format **Demy**
 Extent **224 pages**
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Emma's Perfect Match A Romance Mystery Puzzle

Elizabeth Godwin

Keynote

The elimination puzzle MEGA-TREND gets a romantic makeover. Beautifully designed gift book perfect for fans of *The Killer Isn't Alice* and *Bridgerton*.

Description

If you liked *The Killer Isn't Alice*, you'll love this...

6,400 eligible bachelors. 11 clues. Only 1 Mr Right

Newly out on the marriage scene, Emma is seeking the perfect match. Professional matchmaker and general busybody, Mrs Elizabeth Godwin, needs your help to identify the best potential suitor from 6,400 eligible bachelors in her unrivalled directory. You must consider a list of factors in order to find the right gentleman for Mrs Godwin's new client, Emma.

From his fortune to the colour of his eyes, the number of vowels in his first name to his star sign, there are many factors to consider in finding a suitable love match. By a painstaking process of elimination, you will be left with one perfect suitor for Emma.

Test your powers of logic deduction with this addictive elimination puzzle. Can you lead Emma to her true love? Or will you match her with a terrible bore?

THE MOST ADDICTIVE LOGIC PUZZLE

- **Unique new format** in the elimination puzzle genre. Use several different attributes to cross out suitors, including: hair colour, eye colour, zodiac sign and more
- **Analyze** Mrs. Godwin's extensive list of requirements
- **Eliminate** the ineligible suitors in the 6,400 name directory
- **Identify** Emma's one true love match
- **Beautifully designed** to make the perfect gift for Christmas, Valentine's Day, Mother's Day and birthdays
- **Suitable for all age ranges**, from tweens to Austen-loving grannies

Sales Points

- **MEGA-LEAD TITLE FOR JMG & NO.1 PUZZLE BOOK ON THE MARKET FOR AUTUMN 2026** - this exciting drop-in will be a key focus for the company with an unmissable campaign behind it. This is the next addictive puzzle obsession for fans of *The Killer Isn't Alice*.
- **INTERNATIONAL SENSATION** - was pre-empted in multiple territories including the UK, the US by Tarcher for healthy 6 figs, and in Italian, Dutch, German for 5-figs. There are 10 rights deals confirmed so far, with more flooding in.
- **THE HOTTEST NEW ANALOGUE TREND** - elimination puzzles are the new mega-trend. This light-hearted and mindful (and mindless) new puzzle format taps into the appetite for analogue tasks to occupy our brains without screens.
- **BEST & SECOND TO MARKET** - elimination puzzles are the brand new craze taking over TikTok. Whereas *The Killer Isn't Alice* lists only names, EMMA'S PERFECT MATCH has a detailed key for eye colour, hair colour, zodiac sign and wealth! EMMA is more fun and less arduous.
- **TRIPLE THREAT MARKET OF ROMANCE READERS, REGENCY LOVERS AND PUZZLE FIENDS** - Fans of *Bridgerton* and Jane Austen will love it - not just the keen puzzlers - and our campaign plans will be heavily targeting all 3 audiences.

Author Biography

Mrs Elizabeth Godwin is a matchmaking extraordinaire from London. Widely lauded as the most sensible of society's busy-bodies, Mrs Godwin is the 'widow in the know'. Every respectable family navigating the vexing business of launching single ladies into the marriage market can rest easy in the steady and delicate hands of the incomparable Mrs Godwin. With her unique directory of eligible bachelors, Mrs Godwin's system guarantees the perfect match every time.

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Where Magic Grows

Unique Tales of Wonder and Enchantment

Onjali Q. Raúf (Illustrated By Katarzyna Doszla)

Keynote

Discover seven unique fables, filled with humour, heart and hope, from Onjali Q. Raúf, author of *The Boy at the Back of the Class*. Beautifully illustrated in black and white by Katarzyna Doszla, this is the perfect book to read and cherish together.

Description

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Have you heard of the tiger with no tail? Or of the extra-specially-super-deliciously-fantastically naughty boy who got a frog stuck in his throat? No? Well, tuck yourself in, and let Onjali Raúf entertain you with her first collection of never-before-told fables of magic and mischief...

From the sand-laden shores of Egypt where an axe married a tree, to the mountains of Japan where dragons and hungry mirrors roam, discover new tales of magic, wonder and imagination, inspired by old sayings, everyday objects and countries of the world.

Written with Onjali's trademark heart and humour, and inspired by her travels, Where Magic Grows is a compilation of seven original fairy tales where friendship, kindness - and poetry - await.

Sales Points

- Now in an accessible paperback format for the first time, this illustrated collection of fables from much loved author Onjali Rauf is the perfect book for a child to enjoy by themselves, dipping in and out, or for a family to read together at bedtime
- These read like classic fables - but ones unlike any you've read before. Set in various locations across the world, the universal theme throughout is the power of hope and love - and the idea that anyone can make a difference with a bit of kindness
- Onjali's debut novel *The Boy at the Back of the Class* has sold over half a million copies, been translated into 21 languages, received rave reviews and has won both the Blue Peter Award and the Waterstones Children's Book Prize
- Onjali's subsequent books have followed on from the success of her first, selling thousands of copies, being translated into multiple languages and winning awards and critical acclaim - as well as being beloved by children, teachers and librarians alike as they tackle difficult but important issues in a child-friendly way
- Onjali Rauf is a British Muslim women's rights activist. She founded her charity *Making Herstory* to fight domestic violence against women and has also founded O's Refugee Aid Team to support refugees living in Calais and Dunkirk. She writes beautifully about difficult subjects for children

Author Biography

Onjali Q. Raúf (Author)

Onjali Q Raúf's first book, *The Boy at the Back of the Class*, was Winner of the Waterstones Children's Book Prize in 2019, the Blue Peter Book Prize 2019 and has received many other accolades.

Raúf's second book, *The Star Outside My Window*, went on to win the Diversity Book Award for Children's Fiction (UK) 2020.

Her further fiction titles include: *The Night Bus Hero*, *The Lion Above the Door*, *The Letter with the Golden Stamp* and *The Game I Will Never Forget* as well as the fairy tale collection *Where Magic Grows*, the non-fiction title *Hope on the Horizon*, and the picture book *The Girl at the Front of the Class*.

In 2022, Raúf was recognised for her services to Literature and Women's Rights in the New Year Honours.

Publication date	Thursday, September 10, 2026
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Main Identifier	9781510114449
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage fiction: Magical realism / Magical fantasy (YFHD) Children's / Teenage fiction: Short stories (YFU) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ) Interest age: from c 8 years (5AJ)
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Age	7-9 years
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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	256 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	World (ex USA)
Not for Sale	USA
Author living in	London

Previous Titles

The Boy at the Back of the Class
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Price **£16.99 / ₹799**

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Thema 1.6 **Memoirs (DNC)
Comedy and stand-up (ATXD)
Relating to British South Asian people (5PB-GB-AS)
Relates specifically to the life experience of women or girls (5PN)
Later 20th century c 1950 to c 1999 (3MPQ)
Television (ATJ)**

Binding **Trade Paperback**

Format **Royal**

Extent **304 pages**

Word Count

Exclusively for Sale **Cw; EU; Ire**

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Author living in **London, UK**

Publishing History

The House of Hidden Mothers (2015)

Previous Titles

Anita and Me (1996)

Life isn't all Ha Ha Hee Hee (1999)

The House of Hidden Mothers (2015)

Vigilauntie A Memoir - Innit?

Meera Syal

Keynote

The first memoir from beloved author, playwright, actor and comedy legend Meera Syal

Description

Structured around those chance remarks that somehow end up changing the course of a life, this is the heartwarming story of multi-award winning writer, actor and comic, Meera Syal.

From 'don't sit with your legs apart!' (the despairing cry of Meera's mother and aunts) to 'an Asian comedy show? Are Asians funny?' (the depressing response to the idea that would become *Goodness Gracious Me*), each chapter reveals a different turning point in Meera's journey - from the serious to the ridiculous.

With her trademark warmth and humour, she shares stories from her grandfather's attempts to arrange her marriage, to her working life as an actress and writer, to her journey to motherhood and the changing attitudes towards women she has experienced over her career. Syal also delves into her parents' past, revealing lives deeply affected by the partition of India in 1947 and how that legacy has affected so many of her generation. Touching, compelling and very, very funny, this book shows us the stories that have shaped the life of one of Britain's best-loved comedy legends.

Sales Points

- **HUGELY ENGAGED AUTHOR:** Meera will be doing everything she can to support the publication, including recording the audiobook, interviews and podcasts as well as a series of live events
- **SERIOUS THEMES:** As well as being very funny, the book engages seriously with the topics of racism and misogyny, with Meera writing candidly throughout about the trials, comedy and sadness of being a second-generation immigrant
- **BELOVED AUTHOR:** As well as being one of our most acclaimed actors and writers of stage and screen, Meera Syal is known for her sharp, warm and provocative fiction. Her novels have achieved critical acclaim, bestseller status and global readership, and *Anita and Me* was a national curriculum set text

Reviews

- 'The story surges along on a rip-tide of wisecracks and wisdom . . . excellent' - *Sunday Telegraph* (on *LIFE ISN'T ALL HAHA HEEHEE*)
- 'A superbly crafted, page turning comedy which isn't afraid to tackle the big subjects . . . heartfelt, heartwarming and very, very good' - *Mirror* (on *LIFE ISN'T ALL HAHA HEEHEE*)
- 'Dazzling. Intense and gritty at times, sparkling and hilarious at others. I found it absorbing, witty, joyous and moving . . . and that's all I really want from a book!' - Jo Brand (on *ANITA & ME*)

Author Biography

Dame Meera Syal FRSL is a multi-award winning writer and actress. She has written three novels: *Anita and Me*, (1996) *Life isn't all Ha Ha Hee Hee* (1999) and *The House of Hidden Mothers* (2015). Her screenplays include *Bhaji On The Beach*, and the film adaptations of her first two novels. She rose to prominence as one of the team that created *Goodness Gracious Me* and by portraying Sanjeev's grandmother, Ummi, in *The Kumars at No. 42* and has become one of the UK's best known creatives. She was appointed Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE) in the 1997 New Year Honours and in 2003 was listed in *The Observer* as one of the 50 funniest acts in British comedy. She was appointed Commander of the Order of the British Empire (CBE) in the 2015 New Year Honours for services to drama and literature. In 2023, she was awarded the BAFTA Fellowship, its highest accolade, for her distinguished career on screen. In 2024, she starred in The National Theatre's production of a new play, *A Tupperware of Ashes*.

Market

FOR FANS OF: I HAVEN'T BEEN ENTIRELY HONEST WITH YOU by Miranda Hart, BOSSYPANTS by Tina Fey, OUT OF CHARACTER by Alison Steadman, MATRIARCH by Tina Knowles, BROKEN THREADS by Mishal Husain

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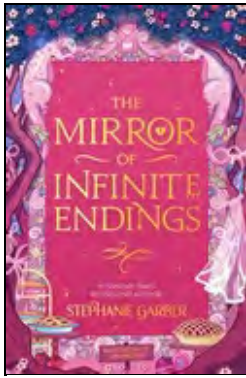
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The Mirror of Infinite Endings
The highly anticipated return to the No. 1 Sunday Times bestselling *Once Upon a Broken Heart* series and the epic love story of Jacks and Evangeline
Stephanie Garber

Keynote

Multimillion-copy bestseller Stephanie Garber returns to the globally beloved world of *Once Upon a Broken Heart* in *The Mirror of Infinite Endings*, a Jacks and Evangeline novella

Description

Return to the Magnificent North and the breathtaking love story that has captivated readers all over the world in this beautifully illustrated novella!

Jacks and Evangeline Fox have finally found their happily ever after.

Everything here in the Hollow is wonderful and perfect.

Nothing is going to go wrong.

No one is keeping a secret . . . except for maybe one.

But don't worry, it's not going to rewrite reality or alter history or change the ending of Jacks and Evangeline's story.

Definitely not.

Featuring cameos from fan-favourite characters and twenty full-page illustrations by Lotusbubble, the fourth instalment in the *Once Upon a Broken Heart* universe will immerse readers once again in this beloved No. 1 Sunday Times bestselling series. Because every story has the potential for infinite endings.

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'Dazzling from start to finish' **ADALYN GRACE**

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'A sugar-crusted, poison-spiked romp' **CASSANDRA CLARE**

'A wondrous story about my favourite thing: kissing' **ISABEL IBAÑEZ**

'Enchanting, intriguing, and delightfully whimsical' **BRIGID KEMMERER**

'Stephanie Garber is the queen of fairy tales' **MARY E. PEARSON**

Sales Points

- **FROM THE MULTIMILLION-COPY BESTSELLER:** Worldwide sales of Stephanie's books have now surpassed 9 million copies with rights sold in 36 languages and counting.
- **THE GRAND RETURN TO HER MOST POPULAR SERIES:** In *The Mirror of Infinite Endings*, she returns to the globally beloved world of *Once Upon a Broken Heart* with a spellbinding sequel to one of the bestselling fantasy series of the last decade. Join Jacks and Evangeline back in the magical heart of the Magnificent North in this fully-illustrated novella filled with breathtaking adventure and heart-pounding romance - and discover the true meaning of happily ever after . . .
- **WITH A GLOBAL FANBASE:** With more than 450k followers on Instagram, Stephanie's channels are only growing.
- **AND STUNNING SPECIAL EDITIONS:** *The Mirror of Infinite Endings* will have multiple beautiful hardback special editions, including exclusive sprayed edge editions available from Waterstones and Goldsboro.

Author Biography

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

Publication date	Tuesday, September 22, 2026
Price	£22.00 / ₹1299
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Thema 1.6	Fantasy romance / Romantic fantasy (FMR) Romance: fantasy and paranormal (FRT)

Binding	Hardback
Format	Royal
Extent	256 pages
Word Count	
Series	Once Upon a Broken Heart
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Previous Titles

Caraval series

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

Once Upon a Broken Heart series

- Once Upon a Broken Heart (2021)
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Alchemy of Secrets series

- Alchemy of Secrets (2025)

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Crossroads of Ravens

A brand-new Witcher novel starring Geralt of Rivia – Now a major Netflix show

Andrzej Sapkowski
Translated by David French

Keynote

The global phenomenon returns in *Crossroads of Ravens*, the spectacular new novel in the Witcher series, and an instant *Sunday Times* bestseller.

Description

Introducing the instant *Sunday Times* bestselling *Crossroads of Ravens*, a brand-new Witcher novel in groundbreaking epic fantasy series that inspired the blockbuster video games and hit Witcher Netflix show.

'A wonderful insight into the beginnings of one of fantasy's most beloved and iconic characters' **JOHN GWYNNE**

'Geralt is one of the great characters in all of fantasy' **JAMES ISLINGTON**

'A great place to start your [Witcher] reading adventure' **GRIMDARK MAGAZINE**

'Old-school fantasy done right' **SFF WORLD**

Witchers are not born. They are made.

Before he was the White Wolf or the Butcher of Blaviken, Geralt of Rivia was simply a fresh graduate of Kaer Morhen, stepping into a world that neither understands nor welcomes his kind.

And when an act of naïve heroism goes gravely wrong, Geralt is only saved from the noose by Preston Holt, a grizzled witcher with a buried past and an agenda of his own.

Under Holt's guiding hand, Geralt begins to learn what it truly means to walk the Path - to protect a world that fears him, and to survive in it on his own terms. But as the line between right and wrong begins to blur, Geralt must decide to become the monster everyone expects, or something else entirely.

This is the story of how legends are made - and what they cost.

Andrzej Sapkowski's Witcher series is a global phenomenon with over thirty million copies sold, translated into over forty languages worldwide. *Crossroads of Ravens* is a new standalone novel that every Witcher fan has been waiting for, following fantasy's most beloved monster hunter, Geralt of Rivia, on his first steps towards becoming a legend.

Translated from original Polish by David French

Sales Points

- **BRAND-NEW WITCHER NOVEL:** *Crossroads of Ravens* is the first new Witcher novel in over 7 years, and since the Netflix series propelled the franchise to greater heights.
- **ENTRY POINT:** Following a younger Geralt of Rivia, *Crossroads of Ravens* is the perfect entry point for new readers, yet full of easter eggs for existing fans.
- **ENGLISH TRANSLATION:** *Crossroads of Ravens* is translated by David French, the acclaimed translator of 6 of the previous Witcher books.
- **GLOBAL LAUNCH:** *Crossroads of Ravens* was launched globally in 2025, with all editions except the original Polish aiming for a simultaneous pub date.
- **WITCHER UNIVERSE:** *The Witcher* series 5 on Netflix is due to land in Q4 2026 (TBC), while *The Witcher 4* game is also upcoming in 2027/2028.

Reviews

- 'A wonderful insight into the beginnings of one of fantasy's most beloved and iconic characters, Geralt of Rivia. This is a great read. Immersive, exciting, and emotional. *Crossroads of Ravens* is not to be missed' - *John Gwynne, New York Times bestselling author*
- 'Geralt is one of the great characters in all of fantasy. Whether you're coming from the games, TV show, or are simply new to the Witcher universe - these books are absolutely worth the read' - *James Islington, author of The Will of the Many*
- 'Anyone wishing to learn more about Geralt's early years will be pleased to see the Witcher in action again . . . This is a gift for series fans' - *Publishers Weekly*
- 'A book brimming with energy and bleak humour' - *SFX*
- 'This is a series you can sink your teeth into' - *Buzzfeed*

Author Biography

Andrzej Sapkowski is the internationally bestselling author of The Witcher series and The Hussite Trilogy, known for his multi-layered plots, rich worldbuilding, and morally complex characters. The Witcher series, which has been translated into over 40 languages and has

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Author living in	Poland

Previous Titles

Witcher Saga

- 0.1. The Last Wish (2007)
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3. Baptism of Fire (2014)
4. The Tower of the Swallows (2016)
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Hussite Trilogy

1. The Tower of Fools (2020)
2. Warriors of God (2021)
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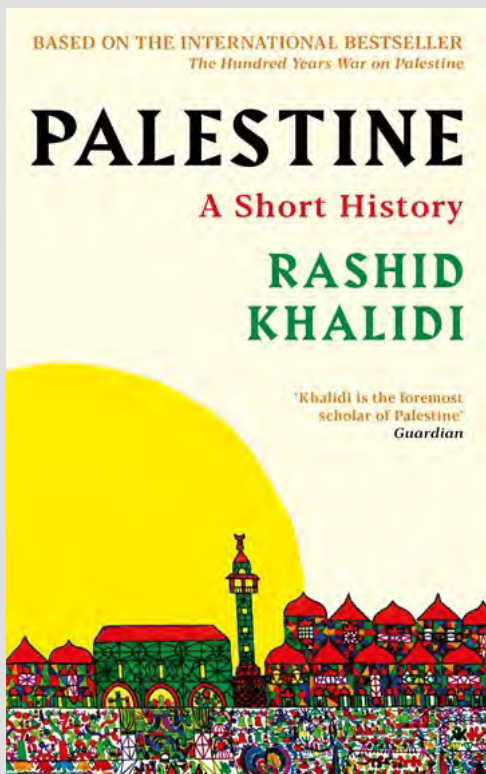
sold over 35 million copies, also inspired a hit Netflix series and landmark video games from CD Projekt Red. Recognised as one of the most influential voices in modern fantasy, he received the Gold Medal for Merit to Culture - Gloria Artis in 2025. In 2024, Forbes named The Witcher one of the 30 greatest book series of all time.

Market

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Palestine

A Short History

RASHID KHALIDI

KEYNOTE

Adapted from the international bestseller *The Hundred Years War on Palestine* for a new generation of readers

SALES POINTS

- **Accessible history for all ages:** A digestible and distilled adaptation of the *Hundred Years War on Palestine* (170K) for anyone seeking their first entry point to understanding one of the most complex - and talked about - issues in current affairs
- **Compelling history from a world-renowned expert in the field:** Rashid Khalidi is the best-known historian of Palestine worldwide, is a Professor Emeritus at Columbia University, and is a frequent commentator on the ongoing war on Gaza in broadcast and broadsheet media including the *Guardian*, the *New York Times* and elsewhere

DESCRIPTION

'Come for a walk with me, if you would, along the streets of Jerusalem. My family has walked these streets for more than a thousand years.'

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Powerfully explaining the history behind the world's most urgent - and misunderstood - conflict, Rashidi explores why Israel has long fought against Palestine. Engaging and accessible, this book offers everyone a compelling entry point into a century of struggle - and the future of the Palestinian state.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Rashid Khalidi is the author of the international bestseller *The Hundred Years' War on Palestine* and seven other books about the Middle East, including *The Iron Cage*, *Brokers of Deceit* and the award-winning *Palestinian Identity*. He is the Edward Said Chair Emeritus in Arab Studies at Columbia University and was the editor of the *Journal of Palestine Studies*. He has received numerous awards for his research and is a regular commentator on Palestine in the *New York Times*, the *Guardian* and elsewhere.

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A Game of Cat and Killer "Think Agatha Christie with claws" A.J. Finn

Jiro Akagawa

Keynote

The first novel in one of the most beloved crime series of all time - more than 30 million copies of the Mikeneko Holmes books sold in Japan

Description

"Murder mystery fans and cat lovers get ready for an iconic new series" Janice Hallet

"Think Agatha Christie with claws" A.J. Finn

"You can absolutely see why Jiro Akagawa is such a staple of Japanese crime fiction" Kristen Perrin

Detective Yoshitaro Katayama is afraid of many things: heights, dark spaces, blood and . . . women.

When a young female student is found murdered, he's given two choices - review the harrowing crime-scene photographs or head to Hagoromo Women's College to investigate - and reluctantly opts for the latter.

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Translated from the Japanese by Haydn Trowell

Sales Points

- More than **30 million** copies of the Mikeneko Holmes books sold in Japan.
- Jiro Akagawa is estimated to have sold more than **330 million books** in Japan throughout his ongoing literary career
- Will appeal to readers of Japanese cat fiction and classic crime - two of the most bouyant areas of translated fiction
- With more than 55 novels published so far, the Mikeneko Holmes books are a series that dedicated readers can really get their teeth into

Reviews

- **'This sophisticated series debut packs the offbeat winsomeness of *The Thursday Murder Club*, the exotic charm of a travelogue, the animal magnetism of *Remarkably Bright Creatures*, and the odd-couple appeal of your favorite buddy-cop TV drama... but most and best of all, *A Game of Cat and Killer* is F-U-N - high-spirited, big-hearted, and splendidly light on its four feet. Think Agatha Christie with claws'** - A.J. Finn
- 'Jiro Akagawa's *A Game of Cat and Killer* proves an alluring combination of cultural insight, **charming characters** - not least a cat named Holmes - and a locked room puzzle to challenge even the most avid crime reader. **A delightful introduction to Japan's master of mystery'** - Vaseem Khan
- **'Murder mystery fans and cat lovers get ready for an iconic new series. *A Game of Cat and Killer* pairs a misfit detective with an enigmatic calico cat called Holmes, who has an uncanny knack of finding clues to her owner's murder. This is an irresistible blend of gritty crime and cosy mystery, with deeper themes of companionship and inclusion. Delightful, intriguing and the height of purrfection!'** - Janice Hallett
- **'The perfect balance of light and dark, with a main character I couldn't stop rooting for.** Add in one of the most creative locked room murders I've ever read, and a real surprise of an ending, and you can absolutely see why Jiro Akagawa is such a staple of Japanese crime fiction. **Equal parts puzzling and entertaining from start to finish, and one of the most satisfying mysteries I've read this year'** - Kristen Perrin

Author Biography

Jiro Akagawa is one of Japan's most prolific and celebrated mystery writers. In a career that spans several decades, he has sold more than 330 million copies of his books, and



won many prestigious awards including the Japan Mystery Literature Award and the Yoshikawa Eiji Prize for Literature. Many of his books have been adapted for film and TV, including his beloved Mikeneko Holmes series, which recounts the adventures of a detective and his adopted cat.

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Survivor

Octavia E. Butler

Keynote

From the bestselling and award-winning novelist, Octavia E. Butler. Completing the Patternist series, a new edition of her cult classic novel, now in print for the first time in fifty years.

Description

From the bestselling and award-winning novelist, Octavia E. Butler. Completing the Patternist series, a new edition of her cult classic novel, now in print for the first time in fifty years.

When Alanna flees a plague-scarred Earth to a new planet, she believes she has found a peaceful new home for humanity. Instead, she finds herself caught between two battling civilisations - the Kohn and Tehkohn.

Now she must play a dangerous game to survive.

Make alliances, while plotting betrayals. Assimilate, while retaining her humanity. Open her heart, while risking everything.

Alanna knows that the mission of her fellow colonists is to preserve the human race. But what if the best way to retain her humanity is to leave it all behind?

A PATTERNIST NOVEL

This long-awaited new volume includes new essays from scholar and the Huntington Library's Octavia E. Butler Fellow, Alyssa Collins, along with 'A Necessary Being' - the only short fiction set in the Patternist universe, completing the Patternist series for readers everywhere.

Sales Points

- **A CULT CLASSIC RETURNS:** For nearly half a century, *Survivor* has been out of print at the author's request. Since then it has become a cult classic.
- **ESSENTIAL READING FOR BUTLER FANS:** Butler completists will be excited to finally have all the books in the Patternist series on their shelves, in a beautiful new livery. New paperback editions of the other four Patternist novels will publish in June 2026.
- **TALKING POINTS:** What does it mean to republish a book that an author rejected? While she was uncannily prescient, it's unlikely Butler could have known she'd see such incredible success, or how influential her work would become, inspiring the careers of many Black writers in this genre and beyond.
- **ANNIVERSARY:** Publishing *Survivor* in 2026 is a way to honour Butler, and preserve her legacy and her place in history twenty years on from her untimely death. 2026 will also see new editions of the Parable novels, *Kindred* and the other four Patternist novels.
- **HISTORICAL CONTEXT:** This new and definitive edition of *Survivor* is put into its proper historical context thanks to essay contributions from scholar and Octavia E. Butler Fellow, Alyssa Collins.

Reviews

- 'Octavia Butler was playing out our very real possibilities as humans. I think she can help each of us to do the same' - Gloria Steinem
- 'One of the most significant literary artists of the twentieth century' - Junot Diaz

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.

In 2020, Octavia E. Butler became a *New York Times* bestselling author.



The Little Book of Japanese Mythology A Pocket Guide to Myths and Legends from the Land of the Rising Sun

Rasha Barrage

Description

Discover the timeless tales of heroes, deities, creatures and villains from one of the world's most influential cultures

Rooted in Shinto and Buddhist traditions, ancient legends about spirits, creatures, deities and creation have been recounted by Japanese families from generation to generation. Where once these tales were told to understand the natural world, in the present day, Japanese mythology has expanded beyond its islands and has secured an influential place in both modern life and pop culture.

Transport yourself back to where it all began and explore the creation of Japan by Izanagi and Izanami; learn about the many Yōkai spirits seen in pop culture today, such as the Oni and Kitsune; discover legendary figures such as Momotarō, the Peach Boy; and much more!

Beyond the stories themselves, within these pages you will uncover:

- The two Japanese mythological texts, Kojiki and Nihon Shoki, and their links to Shintoism
- The influence of Japanese mythology on everyday life and media
- The origins of these myths and legends and how they have been used throughout history

Journey through the stories that shaped Japanese culture in this engaging and accessible pocket guide to an ancient and fascinating mythology.

Sales Points

- A new addition to the Little Book of... series, this book offers an accessible introduction to Japanese mythology that can be enjoyed by those new to the topic as well as those who are familiar with the tales.
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How Can My Manager Be So Stupid? "Utterly delightful" Kristen Perrin

Kazumasa Hayami
Translated by Haydn Trowell

Keynote

Japanese booksellers loved this candid, funny story about what it's really like to work with books. First in a trilogy that sold 500,000 copies in Japan.

Description

'Silly, poignant, and utterly relatable' Mara Faye Letham

'A charming, delightful gem' Susan Coll

'A wry read perfect for anyone who's ever worked in a customer facing job'
Mackenzie Reed

Kyoko Tanihara still loves books. Just about.

But life at the Musashino Bookstore is starting to get her down. Instead of promoting her favorite stories, she finds herself distracted, tearing her hair out at the mere sight of her infuriating manager, who can't seem to do anything but get in her way of success.

From his obsession with self-help books to his "inspirational" speeches at staff meetings, everything about Takeru Yamamoto seems designed to set her teeth on edge. As the store lurches from crisis to crisis, facing criticism from customers and authors alike, only the prospect of changing a life by handing over the perfect book keeps her going.

Until one day *she* is handed a book that speaks to all her frustrations, and opens her eyes to an alarming possibility. What if there's actually more to Yamamoto's obnoxious antics than meets the eye? What if, just maybe, her manager isn't so stupid after all?

***How Can My Manager Be So Stupid* is the perfect read for anyone who has felt that they can't even . . . with the idiots that walk among us.**

Translated from the Japanese by Haydn Trowell

Sales Points

- Nominated for the Japan Booksellers Award, a prize voted for by booksellers across the country that has a great track record for predicting bestsellers abroad, including *Convenience Store Woman* and *Before the Coffee Gets Cold*. A book-within-the-book, by the same title, is nominated for the same prize in story, perhaps the first time in literary history this has happened.
- 500,000 copies of this book and its sequel sold in Japan.
- The perfect read for anyone who enjoyed *Convenience Store Woman* or *There's No Such Thing as an Easy Job*

Reviews

- **'Utterly delightful** - the perfect mix of wry humor, fascinating characters, and heartfelt thoughts on what it means to understand the world through stories . . . **It's one of those rare books that, when I finished, I wanted to turn back to the first page and start again, greeting the characters like friends'** - *Kristen Perrin, bestselling author of How to Solve Your Own Murder*
- 'Winsome, silly, poignant, and utterly relatable, *How Can My Manager Be So Stupid?* reminds us of the importance of both losing ourselves and finding ourselves in a good book.' - *Mara Faye Letham, author of A Person's A Person, No Matter How Small, and translator of Beatriz Serrano's Discontent*
- 'Teeming with small bookish delights and hilarious bookish catastrophes, *How Can My Manager Be So Stupid?* is a love letter to books and bookstores and a charming, delightful gem' - *Susan Coll, USA Today bestselling author of Bookish People and forthcoming Word Salad*
- 'A wry read perfect for anyone who's ever worked a customer-facing job and has felt their soul slowly wither away. *How Can My Manager Be So Stupid?* balances wit, humor, and heart to spin a compelling story filled with book love and big feelings' - *Mackenzie Reed, author of I Hope This Email Finds You in Hell*

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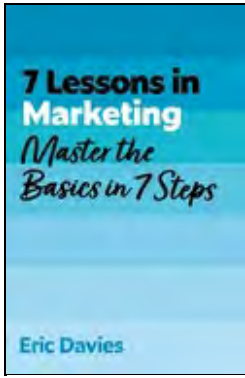
Kazumasa Hayami is a writer and screenwriter, born in 1977 in Kanagawa Prefecture. His debut novel *108* was a bestseller and later made into a manga and a film. He won the Japan Mystery Writers Association Award for his novel *Innocent Days*, and the Yamamoto Shūgorō Prize for *The Royal Family*. His novels are almost all adapted for screen.

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Keynote

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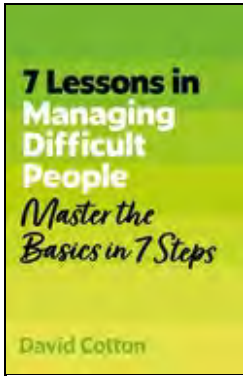
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7 Lessons in Managing Difficult People Master Problem People Basics in 7 Steps

David Cotton

Keynote

7 short lessons to help you manage difficult people more effectively.

Description

A SHORT COURSE IN BETTER PEOPLE MANAGEMENT.

7 Lessons in Managing Difficult People is a quick course in people management, giving you everything you need to know in just seven short chapters. From preventing difficult behaviour to managing conflict, you'll discover the insider secrets you need to know in order to successfully manage difficult people.

- * Lesson 1: Understanding and preventing difficult behaviour
- * Lesson 2: Developing your skills for managing difficult people
- * Lesson 3: More advanced skills for managing difficult people
- * Lesson 4: Managing specific types of difficult behaviour
- * Lesson 5: Feedback that works and critical conversations
- * Lesson 6: Managing conflict
- * Lesson 7: Getting support and escalating issues

Explore the main themes and ideas of managing difficult people, get a basic knowledge and understanding of the key concepts, and test your progress with practical and thought-provoking exercises. *7 Lessons in Managing Difficult People* is your fastest route to success.

ABOUT THE SERIES

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7 Lessons in Successful Meetings Master Business Meeting Basics in 7 Steps

David Cotton

Keynote

7 short lessons to help you master successful business meetings.

Description

A SHORT COURSE IN MEETING BASICS.

7 Lessons in Successful Meetings is a quick course in holding successful business meetings, giving you everything you need to know in just seven short chapters. From preparation and participation to chairing and follow-up, you'll discover the insider secrets you need to know in order to make your meeting a success.

- * Lesson 1: Why meetings?
- * Lesson 2: Preparing for a meeting
- * Lesson 3: Participating in a meeting
- * Lesson 4: Chairing a meeting
- * Lesson 5: Virtual and other types of meeting
- * Lesson 6: After the meeting
- * Lesson 7: The perfect meeting

Explore the main themes and ideas in running successful meetings, get a basic knowledge and understanding of the key concepts, and test your progress with practical and thought-provoking exercises. *7 Lessons in Successful Meetings* is your fastest route to success.

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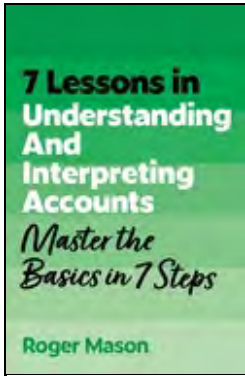
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7 Lessons in Understanding and Interpreting Accounts

Master Accounting Basics in 7 Steps

Roger Mason

Keynote

7 short lessons to help you master financial reports and statements.

Description

A SHORT COURSE IN FINANCIAL STATEMENT BASICS.

7 Lessons in Understanding and Interpreting Accounts is a quick course in finance basics, giving you everything you need to know in just seven short chapters. From the profit and loss account and the balance sheet through to using ratios and cash flow statements, it will help you deal confidently with questions such as 'Is our customer in trouble?', 'Are we going to be paid?' and 'Why are profits down?'

- * Lesson 1: The right approach
- * Lesson 2: An introduction to accounts
- * Lesson 3: The profit and loss account or income statement
- * Lesson 4: The balance sheet or statement of financial position
- * Lesson 5: Using ratios to interpret accounts
- * Lesson 6: Cash flow statement and group accounts
- * Lesson 7: The reports

Explore the main themes and ideas in financial reporting, get a basic knowledge and understanding of the key concepts, and test your progress with practical and thought-provoking exercises. *7 Lessons in Understanding and Interpreting Accounts* is your fastest route to success.

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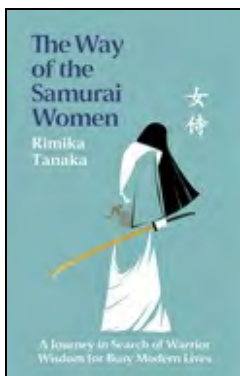
Sunday: The Right Approach / Monday: Introduction to published accounts / Tuesday: Income statement / Wednesday: Statement of Financial Position / Thursday: The remainder of a set of accounts / Friday: Cash and investment ratios / Saturday: In-depth work with public accounts

Author Biography

Roger Mason is a Chartered Certified Accountant with many years' practical experience as a Finance Director at a number of leading companies. He now lectures on financial and business topics. In addition, he has edited a financial publication and written many books.

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The Way of the Samurai Women A Journey in Search of Warrior Wisdom for Busy Modern Lives

Rimika Tanaka

Keynote

A book exploring what ancient Samurai wisdom can teach us about how to live more fully today.

Description

Who were the samurai women, and what might samurai spirit look like today?

When Rimika's mother Akemi Tanaka died in 2021, she decided to continue the work her mother had started, finding out more about their samurai heritage. She embarked on a journey to put into practice what she learned along the way about samurai women to help her live more fully today.

In recent times, samurai have been made famous by movies, manga, video games, even fashion. They have somewhat become macho icons but that's only part of the story. Some samurai, particularly those who remained steadfast in the clan household, were women. Some were even warriors. In this book, Rimika explores how we, today, can reclaim their ancient wisdom - much of it held in the philosophical tradition of Zen Buddhism - for our times and in a more inclusive and holistic way.

Readers will discover the inspirational example of historical samurai women, alongside contemporary Japanese women who possess the samurai spirit. The book delves into concepts which allowed the samurai to survive and thrive: nature worship, mindful movement and performing the ideal self. Along the way, it offers prompts and exercises to help the reader channel the wisdom of legendary samurai women.

Sales Points

- Interest in Japan has never been higher: Japan has set new tourism records in 2025, surpassing 30 million foreign visitors in the first nine months.
- Japanese and in particular samurai culture is also having a moment - the Disney/FX series *Shōgun* (about a samurai!) made history at the 2024 Emmys, winning a record 18 awards. In 2026 the British Museum will have a new exhibition themed around Samurai.
- Perfect for fans of *Wabi Sabi* by Beth Kempton, *Ikigai* by Hector Garcia & Francesca Miralles and *The Power of Chōwa* by Akemi Tanaka (Rimika's mother!)

Author Biography

Rimika Tanaka is a writer and researcher who works in the performing arts. She is currently based at a dance conservatoire in London with the mission to widen access and participation in ballet and contemporary dance.

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Binding Format	Paperback B Format
Extent	368 pages
Word Count	
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Not for Sale	Can; USA

The Ickabog

The bestselling fairytale, now illustrated by Ben Mantle

J.K. Rowling (Illustrated By Ben Mantle)

Keynote

Prepare for a legendary adventure.

Description

Once upon a time there was a terrible monster called the Ickabog. Or so the story goes . . .

Prepare for a legendary adventure from one of the world's greatest storytellers J.K. Rowling, now featuring striking illustrations from award-winning illustrator Ben Mantle.

Once upon a time there was a tiny kingdom called Cornucopia, as rich in happiness as it was in gold, and famous for its food. From the delicate cream cheeses of Kurdsburg to the Hopes-of-Heaven pastries of Chouxville, each was so delicious that people wept with joy as they ate them.

But even in this happy kingdom, a monster lurks. Legend tells of a fearsome creature living far to the north in the Marshlands... the Ickabog. Some say it breathes fire, spits poison, and roars through the mist as it carries off wayward sheep and children alike. Some say it's just a myth...

And when that myth takes on a life of its own, casting a shadow over the kingdom, two children - best friends Bert and Daisy - embark on a great adventure to untangle the truth and find out where the real monster lies, bringing hope and happiness to Cornucopia once more.

Sales Points

- The Ickabog is a fairytale for our times, about the power of hope and friendship to triumph against all odds, from one of the world's best storytellers
- This stunning edition features a new foreword from J.K. Rowling
- This new edition features a striking cover and 25 black and white illustrations by the award-winning Ben Mantle. The Ickabog was originally published in November 2020, in a beautiful edition featuring children's artwork, after a competition during the COVID-19 lockdown; that edition is still in print
- Combined sales of HCG's editions of The Christmas Pig and The Ickabog are more than a million copies

Author Biography

J.K. Rowling (Author)

J.K. Rowling is the author of the enduringly popular Harry Potter books. After the idea for Harry Potter came to her on a delayed train journey in 1990, she plotted out and started writing the series of seven books and the first, *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone*, was published in the UK in 1997. The series took another ten years to complete, concluding in 2007 with the publication of *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*.

To accompany the series, J.K. Rowling wrote three short companion volumes for charity, *Quidditch Through the Ages* and *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them*, in aid of Comic Relief and Lumos, and *The Tales of Beedle the Bard*, in aid of Lumos. She also collaborated on the writing of a stage play, *Harry Potter and the Cursed Child*, which was published as a script book.

Her other books for children include the fairy tale *The Ickabog* and *The Christmas Pig*, which were published in 2020 and 2021 respectively and have also been bestsellers. She is also the author of books for adults, including a bestselling crime fiction series.

J.K. Rowling has received many awards and honours for her writing. She also supports a number of causes through her charitable trust Volant and is the founder of the children's charity Lumos.

To find out more about J.K. Rowling visit jkrowlingstories.com.

Ben Mantle (Illustrator)

Ben Mantle is the illustrator of Shane Hegarty's *Boot*, shortlisted for the Sainsbury's Children's Book Award. His picture book *The Best Birthday Present Ever* won the Dundee Picture Book Award and he has illustrated a number of iconic fiction covers such as Piers Torday's *The Lost Magician* and Jenny McLachlan's *The Land of Roar*. Ben studied Animation at the Surrey Institute of Art & Design before working as an animator. Since 2008, Ben has been working as a children's book illustrator and also produces screen



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Fantastic Beasts: The Secrets of Dumbledore – The Complete Screenplay

J.K. Rowling & Steve Kloves

Keynote

The official complete screenplay of *Fantastic Beasts: The Secrets of Dumbledore* by J.K. Rowling & Steve Kloves, accompanied by illuminating behind-the-scenes content and commentary.

Description

Professor Albus Dumbledore knows the powerful Dark wizard Gellert Grindelwald is moving to seize control of the wizarding world. Unable to stop him alone, he entrusts Magizoologist Newt Scamander to lead an intrepid team of wizards, witches, and one brave Muggle baker on a dangerous mission, where they encounter old and new beasts and clash with Grindelwald's growing legion of followers. But with the stakes so high, how long can Dumbledore remain on the sidelines?

The official screenplay of *Fantastic Beasts: The Secrets of Dumbledore* pairs the complete script penned by J.K. Rowling & Steve Kloves with illuminating behind-the-scenes content, including costume sketches, location renderings, graphic design, insights from key cast and creative team members, and more.

With dramatic duels, captivating creatures, and magic at every turn, this is epic adventure at its very best.

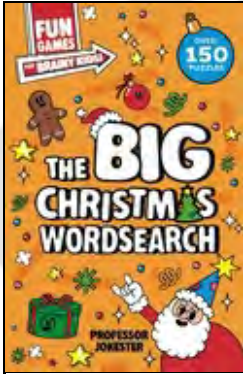
Sales Points

- The third original screenplay in the *Fantastic Beasts* series not only expands upon the earlier events that helped to shape the wizarding world, but also **unveils the secret backstory of one of its most iconic and beloved characters**, Albus Dumbledore.
- The first two original screenplays have sold more than **a million copies in hardback**, including a combined **625k through Bookscan TCM in the UK and 220k through Bookscan ABM in Australia**. The paperback editions combined have sold a further **115K copies through Bookscan TCM in the UK**.
- *Fantastic Beasts: The Secrets of Dumbledore* was a **major global movie release** starring **Eddie Redmayne as Newt Scamander** and **Jude Law as the young Albus Dumbledore**.
- The Harry Potter series, published between 1997 and 2007, has sold over **500 million copies worldwide**, is distributed in more than **200 territories** and **translated into 80 languages**, and has been turned into **eight blockbuster films**.

Author Biography

J.K. Rowling is the author of the enduringly popular, era-defining Harry Potter seven-book series, as well as several stand-alone novels for adults and children, and the acclaimed Strike crime fiction series written under the pseudonym Robert Galbraith. Many of her books have been adapted for film and television, and she has collaborated on a play continuing Harry's story on stage, *Harry Potter and the Cursed Child*, and a new series of films inspired by her series companion volume *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them*.

Steve Kloves (Screenwriter/Producer) wrote the screenplays for seven of the Harry Potter films, based on the beloved books by J.K. Rowling. He also served as a producer on *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them* and *Fantastic Beasts: The Crimes of Grindelwald*, and more recently produced *Mowgli: Legend of the Jungle*. His additional credits include *Racing with the Moon*, *Wonder Boys*, *Flesh and Bone* and *The Fabulous Baker Boys*. He also directed the latter two.



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Fun Games for Brainy Kids: The Big Christmas Wordsearch

Keynote

A festive wordsearch collection packed with Christmassy fun for kids to dip into throughout the season.

Description

Get into the Christmas spirit with this bumper book of festive wordsearches. Packed with seasonal scenes, cheerful characters and wintry words to find, it's the perfect activity book for cosy days, car journeys and holiday excitement. From Santa and snowmen to presents, puddings and reindeer, there's plenty here to keep kids entertained all Christmas long.

Sales Points

- Packed with festive wordsearch puzzles for hours of seasonal fun
- Ideal for quiet time, travel, stocking fillers and holiday gifting
- Child-friendly, accessible format that kids can enjoy independently
- Strong Christmas theme with wide appeal across the autumn/winter selling period

Author Biography

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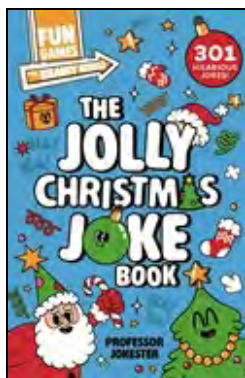
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Fun Games for Brainy Kids: The Jolly Joke Book

Keynote

A laugh-out-loud Christmas joke book bursting with silly gags, festive funnies and family-friendly humour.

Description

What do snowmen eat for breakfast? Frosties. This cheerful Christmas joke book is packed with festive laughs for kids to share with family and friends. From Santa jokes and elf gags to reindeer riddles and snowy silliness, it's the perfect stocking-filler read for children who love making people laugh.

Sales Points

- Full of festive jokes and punchlines with instant child appeal
- Great for sharing aloud with friends, siblings and family over Christmas
- Highly giftable, accessible format with strong impulse-buy potential
- Complements the activity books by adding humour and variety to the range

Author Biography

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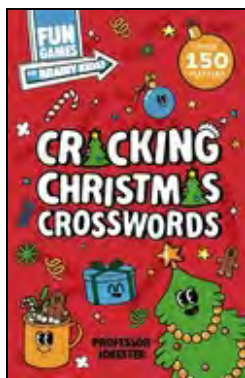
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Fun Games for Brainy Kids: Cracking Christmas Crosswords

Keynote

A fun-filled Christmas crossword book designed to entertain children while building word confidence and puzzle-solving skills.

Description

Keep clever kids busy this Christmas with a joyful collection of festive crosswords. Full of seasonal clues, merry themes and satisfying wordplay, this book is perfect for children who love a challenge. Whether they're puzzling at home, on holiday or over the Christmas break, these crosswords are a great way to mix fun with brain-teasing entertainment.

Sales Points

- Festive crossword format offers a slightly more challenging activity option
- Encourages problem-solving, spelling and vocabulary in an enjoyable way
- Strong seasonal gifting potential for puzzle-loving children
- A good companion title to the wordsearch book, helping build range cohesion

Author Biography

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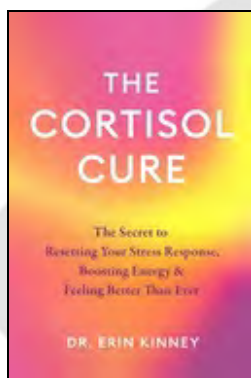
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The Cortisol Cure

The secret to resetting your stress response, boosting energy and feeling better than ever

Dr Erin Kinney

Keynote

The secret to resetting your stress response, boosting energy and feeling better than ever.

Description

For fans of *Good Energy* and *Outlive*, comes a groundbreaking book from the 'Stress Reset Expert,' Dr. Erin Kinney, sharing that contrary to popular belief, cortisol isn't the enemy - it's an essential hormone your body depends on to function, heal, and thrive - and the key to reclaiming your health isn't lowering cortisol, but restoring your natural supply.

Our relationship to cortisol, the stress hormone, is often misconstrued. Most people think that cortisol is bad -something that we want to lower and keep at bay. But here's the truth: the migraines, bloating, mood swings, weight gain, and joint pain may not stem from too much cortisol at all. More often, they arise when your body's cortisol levels are depleted. When you learn how your system really interacts with this vital hormone, you create the conditions for your body to repair, rebalance, and reset.

In *The Cortisol Cure*, Dr. Erin Kinney introduces her powerful and accessible framework: the 'Cortisol Bank Account.' Think of cortisol as the 'currency' your body uses to generate energy, handle stress, heal, and perform at its best. When you rest, you earn cortisol. When stress demands your attention - physical, emotional or environmental - you spend it. And just like with any budget, when you consistently spend more than you earn, you slip into hormonal debt. This debt sends your body into survival mode and can manifest as a wide range of symptoms that feel mysterious or disconnected.

This book maps the journey Dr. Kinney has used to help thousands of patients and clients heal their body, health, and life. You will:

- * Understand what you want for your body - you'll learn how to balance your relationship with cortisol in each area of your life.
- * Read real patient stories that illustrate the science in clear, relatable, and empowering ways.
- * Learn habits that you can put into practice and that will stick for the long term.

This book is a wake-up call and action plan for anyone who doesn't feel well and isn't sure why but knows they want to feel better. If you're human and you want to be well - this book is for you.

Sales Points

- Erin has 215k IG followers with about 5% from the UK and Aus.
- A big health book in a trending topic, in the vein of GOOD ENERGY and OUTLIVE.
- Cortisol is one of the most talked about subjects on TikTok right now and this book offers easy, accessible ways for anyone to balance their cortisol levels and therefore live healthier, longer lives.
- Erin has interviewed over 160 thought leaders and has developed close relationships with people like Dave Asprey, Dr. Peter D'adamo, Christian Gonzalez, Will Cole, the Almost 30 ladies, Mark Hyman, Liz Moody, Cynthia Thurlow, and Kelly Leveque to name a few, and will draw on these relationships to market and publicise the book.

Reviews

- '*The Cortisol Cure* by Dr Erin Kinney is not simply an accomplished treatise on 'the' critical stress hormone made by the body; it is also a **beautifully written and easy-to-understand** tour through common symptoms and syndromes that physicians often find mysterious, and perhaps more importantly, **what you can do about them**. Having the honor of participating in her medical training, this is unsurprising; Erin is one of our bright stars in functional and naturopathic medicine, and I eagerly look forward to her future writings and discoveries.' - Dr Peter D'Adamo, *author of Eat Right for Your Type*
- '*The Cortisol Cure* is a **supportive guide for anyone seeking healing and a better relationship with their body**. Dr Erin Kinney combines relatable stories with clear science, creating so many "that's me" moments. She offers **both small, supportive actions and larger shifts**, giving you the freedom to choose what is best for you. This is a **compassionate resource** for anyone ready to feel better and reconnect with their body's natural wisdom.' - Sara Corckran, *author of Grit and Grace: How to Find Clarity and Optimism in Overwhelming Situations*
- 'Dr Kinney takes the notoriously complex topic of cortisol and chronic stress and breaks it down into **clear, accessible, and actionable insights**. She offers simple, practical frameworks to help address symptoms that so many of us are experiencing

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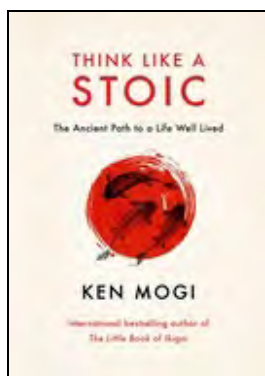
including constant fatigue, stubborn weight, poor sleep, pain, and digestive issues, so **you can finally start supporting your body's natural ability to heal.** - Dr Izabella Wentz, PharmD, The Thyroid Pharmacist, *NYT Bestselling Author of Hashimoto's Protocol*

Author Biography

Called the 'Stress Reset Expert,' Dr Erin Kinney is a Naturopathic Doctor, speaker and podcast host who helps stressed-out patients balance their hormones, improve their mood and restore their energy. She runs a private practice in Annapolis, Maryland, specialising in chronic health conditions related to hormonal and nervous-system imbalances, and has guided more than 7,000 people back to vibrant health through her clinic, workshops, retreats and online programs. Outside of work, she loves spending time with her husband and their five children.

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Think Like a Stoic The Ancient Path to a Life Well Lived

Ken Mogi

Keynote

The Japanese perspective that made *The Little Book of Ikigai* a worldwide bestseller meets the wisdom of the ancients, updated for the universe we live in.

Description

In a world overflowing with abundance and information, the calm and clarity of stoicism has never been more necessary. In this new book, bestselling author Ken Mogi explores the ancient Greek philosophy as well as its resonance with other cultures around the world, not least his own Japanese perspective. The result is a new version of stoicism that is practical, global, future-proof and, above all, optimistic.

With his expertise as a neuroscientist, Mogi uncovers the cognitive foundations of the resilience that is so central to stoicism. Rooted in science, he finds in stoicism robust coping strategies for the challenges of modern life, and ways to balance self-discipline with enjoying life's pleasures.

But stoicism is also a mindset that uniquely equips us to handle the future, from global challenges such as the climate emergency to the rise and rise of AI. Thinking like a stoic, he argues, can offer us not just a path for personal growth and wisdom, but the key to the future of humanity.

Sales Points

- There's been an explosion of interest in Stoicism over the past few years. Ryan Holiday's *The Daily Stoic* has sold more than 220,000 copies. Google searches for stoicism have increased by 128% over the past five years and by 28% in the last year and YouTube searches have increased by 118%. Ken's stoicism is not a rehash of the ancient texts, but a new interpretation of stoicism, updated and reframed to provide a way to negotiate the modern world.
- This is the perfect match of author and subject. Ken Mogi's neuroscientific training means he can tell us why and how our brains are set up for stoicism, while his Japanese perspective means that he has a lived understanding of many of the stoic values, which have striking echoes in the Japanese approach to life.
- The success of *The Little Book of Ikigai* proves the appeal of the Japanese approach to life and Ken is one of its best known interpreters. *Think Like a Stoic* explores some of the many parallels between Japanese culture and the attitudes of the stoics.
- Ken Mogi's books are international bestsellers. *The Little Book of Ikigai* is sold in over 30 languages and has been on the German bestseller chart (Spiegel) for over 150 weeks, selling over 500,000 copies.
- Ken Mogi's Japanese twitter account has 1,230,000 followers, while his English twitter account has 61,000 followers.

Author Biography

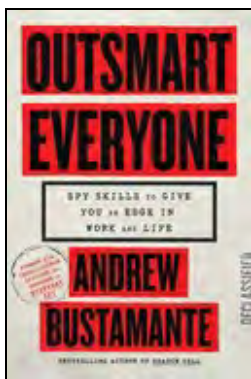
Ken Mogi is a neuroscientist, writer and broadcaster based in Tokyo. He has published more than 30 papers on cognitive and neurosciences, and over 100 books in Japan covering popular science, essay, criticism and self-help. His books have sold close to 1 million copies. He is the author of the global bestseller *The Little Book of Ikigai*.

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Outsmart Everyone Spy Skills to Give You an Edge in Work and Life

Andrew Bustamante

Keynote

Learn how to think like a spy, cut through information overload, and read the room at any social event in this practical field guide by former CIA operative Andrew Bustamante.

Description

Information is the lifeblood of spycraft, and the key to unlocking opportunity, influence, and freedom in everyday life. But in a world of infinite newsfeeds and data sources and AI-generated search results, the most powerful person in the room isn't the person with the most information, or even the best information. It's the person who knows how to turn that information into *knowledge*.

This is what intelligence operatives do better than anyone on earth-and ex-CIA officer Andrew Bustamante and bestselling coauthor of *Shadow Cell* is here to tell you how. Packed with high octane stories from his seven years undercover and practical strategies the CIA doesn't want you to know about, *OUTSMART EVERYONE* reveals how to:

- Cut through information overload:** distill information into precisely what you need to complete a task or perform a role
- Detect lies and hidden agendas:** five tools for reading people like a professional interrogator
- Ace any networking event:** pick the right people to talk to, approach them effectively, and work the room like a pro
- Control the trajectory of any conversation:** steer away from pointless topics and reorient the dialog in the direction you want to go
- Become a master observer:** adapt surveillance techniques to notice what others miss and remember key details others forget
- "Park" a contact:** cut ties with someone who is no longer useful to you, without permanently burning bridges
- Build genuine, lasting influence:** ten ways to motivate people to (voluntarily) bring you the best opportunities and do anything for you
- And much more**

These are the same skills that CIA operatives use to hunt terrorists, learn enemy secrets, recruit foreign assets, and stay alive. In this one-of-a-kind field guide, you'll learn how to deploy them to gain what elite intelligence professionals call operational advantage: the ability to see situations more clearly, act more decisively, and influence outcomes more successfully than those around you.

Sales Points

- The author has a hugely successful public profile, with 635k subscribers on YouTube, 183k followers on Instagram, 83k newsletter subscribers, and a podcast that has been downloaded 12.7 million times.
- With a proven ability to monetize content, the author has sold over 2 million dollars' worth of workshops, eBooks, and business training products through his Everyday Spy website.
- The success of books such as *Never Split the Difference* (over 4 million copies sold), *What Every Body is Saying* (~750,000 copies) and *100 Deadly Skills* (~600,000 copies) demonstrate an appetite for business x intelligence operations books.
- This book aligns with the author's reputation as an expert on combining business and life skills with CIA spy-skills, as curated through his various platforms, promising high sales figures.

Author Biography

Andrew Bustamante is a former CIA intelligence officer who served in the US military in Afghanistan and Iraq before being recruited into the CIA's National Clandestine Service where he served for 7 years handling sensitive operations still classified Top Secret. He is the presenter of the *EverydaySpy* podcast and a sought-after media authority on military, espionage, and current events.

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

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Gouged
The End of a Fair Price - and What That Means for Your Wallet

Lindsay Owens

Keynote

The era of companies competing to charge as little as possible is over. Now, algorithmic pricing and data capitalism mean corporations compete on one thing only: who can rip us off most shamelessly.

Description

Landlords are using software to band together and organise artificial rent hikes. Uber is spiking the price of rides when your phone's about to die. And without drivers' knowledge, car companies are installing software that reports your driving behaviour to insurance companies, so they can collude against you on insurance prices.

Instead of merely driving down costs, companies are now laser-focused on boosting revenue by wringing as much out of consumers as possible, bringing in record profits as a result. Price hikes are old as dirt, but today's companies have reinvented them, using a dizzying array of sophisticated and deceitful tricks to do something pretty darn simple: rip you off.

In *Gouged*, Lindsay Owens takes you inside the corporate boardrooms where pricing decisions are made, uncovering the techniques - from junk fees and shrinkflation to algorithmic collusion - that corporations use to jack up prices. But if there's one thing we have in common, it's that we are all consumers. It's time to fight back.

Sales Points

- **URGENT & TIMELY:** From shrinkflation in supermarkets to 'pricing surges' on Uber, corporations are finding ever-more ways to conceal, justify and target price hikes. We've all felt the pain of them, but this book is the first to lay out with astonishing clarity just how vulnerable we are as consumers - and what can be done about it
- **BRILLIANT AUTHOR PROFILE:** Lindsay Owens is an influential sociologist who regularly advises the White House and members of Congress on economic policy. She contributes regularly to outlets such as the *Washington Post*, CNN and the *New York Times* and her fans include Jon Stewart, Bernie Sanders, AOC and Ezra Klein
- **RADICAL NEW FRAMING:** This book pushes back on economic orthodoxy and shifts our thinking on basic assumptions, asking 'what's next?' for the relationship between business and consumer in an age of unfathomable algorithmic sophistication

Author Biography

Lindsay Owens is executive director of the Groundwork Collaborative, a Washington think tank and corporate watchdog devoted to people-first economic policy. She is a former adviser to Elizabeth Warren.

Market

For readers of Naomi Klein (*No Logo, The Shock Doctrine*), Shoshana Zuboff (*The Age of Surveillance Capitalism*), Richard Thaler (*Misbehaving*), Grace Blakely (*Vulture Capitalism*) and Mariana Mazzucato (*The Entrepreneurial State, Mission Economy*).

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The Perfectionist's Guide to Losing Control

Katherine Morgan Schafler

Keynote

Let your perfectionism become your superpower

Description

'The definitive guide for anyone who's ready to walk a crucial pathway: from the appearance of control, to the possession of a quiet power.' **SUSAN CAIN**

'Gives you permission to be more in a world that's telling you to be less.' **LORI GOTTLEIB**

'Provocative... identifies the strategies and mindsets every high-achieving woman needs to quell her inner critic and embrace her true talents.' **HOLLY WHITAKER**

The advice we hear on perfectionism is always the same - let go of it! Forget it! Perfectionism is bad for you. But what if we've been looking at it all wrong? What if perfectionism is your superpower?

In *The Perfectionist's Guide to Losing Control*, psychotherapist Katherine Morgan Schafler says you don't have to stop being a perfectionist to be happy and fulfilled. Her smart, witty book is a new approach for women who are over the generic advice to 'find balance'.

Morgan Schafler's book identifies five distinct types of perfectionist - **Classic, Parisian, Messy, Intense, and Procrastinating**. As you identify your unique perfectionist profile, you'll learn how to manage each form of perfectionism to work *for* you, not against you. Beyond managing it, you'll learn how to embrace and even enjoy your perfectionism. Yes, enjoy!

With handy self-assessments and actionable advice tailored to the unique needs of each perfectionist type, *The Perfectionist's Guide to Losing Control* is the game-changing companion for women who dare to want more out of life.

Sales Points

- **FIND YOUR PERFECTIONIST TYPE:** revealing quiz to work out which perfectionist 'type' you are
- **PERFECTIONISM AS SUPERPOWER:** the author argues that perfectionism is a strength, not a weakness, and we should embrace it
- **GOOGLE CONNECTION:** author was the on-site therapist at Google, with high earning, high achieving clients
- **EXPERT AUTHOR:** the book comes from the author's experience as a New York City psychotherapist dealing with high-achieving female clients who feel exhausted and overwhelmed. As Katherine says, 'I help women who seem completely put together actually *feel* that way'.
- **ONLINE QUIZ:** the book will be marketed with an online quiz which anyone can use to identify their perfectionist type

Reviews

- "The definitive guide for anyone who's ready to walk a crucial pathway: from the appearance of control, to the possession of a quiet power." - **SUSAN CAIN**
- "This book will forever change the way you view perfectionism and yourself. An irresistible invitation to reclaim your natural state of wholeness, your joy and your life." **DEEPAK CHOPRA** - **DEEPAK CHOPRA**
- "Gives you permission to be more in a world that's telling you to be less." - **LORI GOTTLEIB**
- "Provocative... identifies the strategies and mindsets every high-achieving woman needs to quell her inner critic and embrace her true talents." - **HOLLY WHITAKER**

Author Biography

Katherine Morgan Schafler, LMHC, is a psychotherapist, writer and speaker based in New York City. Formerly an on-site therapist at Google, she earned her degrees and training at UC Berkeley and Columbia University, with post-graduate certification from the Association for Spirituality and Psychotherapy.



Cat On The Road To Findout The Official Autobiography

Yusuf/Cat Stevens

Keynote

The long-awaited memoir from the legendary Yusuf/Cat Stevens: music icon, songwriter, multi-instrumentalist, producer and humanitarian.

Description

THE INSTANT SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER

'Reads remarkably like one of the more wide-eyed lyrics from his heyday. Yusuf Islam has been on quite a journey, but some things never change' *Guardian*

'Proves his life and career were utterly distinctive, even in the crazy world of pop' *The Times*

In the whirlwind of 1960s London, Cat Stevens rose to fame almost overnight. Sharing stages with the likes of Jimi Hendrix, he became a household name with pop hits like 'Father and Son' and 'The First Cut Is the Deepest'.

A near-fatal bout of tuberculosis in his early twenties was a turning point, propelling him into a lifelong quest for meaning. Emerging from illness with a new sense of purpose, he evolved into one of the defining singer-songwriter troubadours of the 1970s. Heartfelt songs like 'Wild World', 'Father and Son' and 'Peace Train' made him a generational voice in the quest for peace, ecological consciousness and global change.

Then, at the peak of his fame, another brush with death - a near-drowning - led him to a massive transformative commitment to the Omniscent Power which miraculously saved him. After being gifted a copy of the Qur'an, he embraced Islam in 1977, then walked away from music, becoming Yusuf Islam, and dedicating his life to faith, family and humanitarian work.

Cat on the Road to Findout is the uncensored story behind the headlines. Told in Yusuf's own words and through hand-drawn illustrations, with raw honesty and poetic insight, he reflects on his triumphs and trials - finally shedding light on all those hidden 'in-betweens'.

Sales Points

- Yusuf/Cat Stevens has sold over one hundred million records, been streamed billions of times, and is a member of both the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame and Songwriters Hall of Fame.
- His online presence is huge: 1.7 million Facebook followers; 190K X followers; 270K Instagram followers; 10.2 million monthly listeners on Spotify
- This is the very first time he'll be sharing his story in detail, covering the dreams that drew him to the limelight, repelled him away from it and compelled him back again, as well as his controversial choices in the past.

Author Biography

Yusuf/Cat Stevens is a globally renowned singer-songwriter and humanitarian. His 1970s albums, *Tea for the Tillerman* and *Teaser and the Firecat*, featuring classics like 'Wild World', 'Father and Son' and 'Peace Train', became defining works of their era. Yusuf/Cat Stevens has sold over one hundred million records, been streamed billions of times, and is a member of both the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame and Songwriters Hall of Fame. After embracing Islam in 1977, he established the UK's first government-aided Muslim faith schools and founded numerous charitable organisations. He is a recipient of the Man of Peace Award, the World Social Award and multiple honorary doctorates. In 2025 *Tea for the Tillerman* entered the Grammy Hall of Fame. He is married with five children and twelve grandchildren.

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Sometimes It Rains

Rachel Bright (Illustrated By Richard Jones)

Keynote

A beautiful and moving tale of love, gratitude and seeing magic and wonder in everything, from the author of *The Lion Inside*. Perfect for fans of *Guess How Much I Love You*.

Description

A poignant, timeless and uplifting tale from the bestselling author of *The Lion Inside*.

In the quiet and still of the evening, a tall rabbit and a small rabbit sit on the high hill and watch the sun go down, rabbits together. The tall rabbit feels like the *luckiest* rabbit in the whole, wide world, whilst the small rabbit wonders if *his* luck falls a little short.

But when a storm rumbles overhead and raindrops splash on their noses, they both realise something wonderful: it's not what you *have* in life . . . but how you choose to look at it.

A tale of love, gratitude and seeing the magic and wonder in everything. Perfect for fans of *Guess How Much I Love You* and *I Love You to the Moon and Back*, this stunning picture book from two creators at the top of their game is the ideal gift to share with someone you love.

Sales Points

- Crossover gifting appeal - with the feel of a modern classic, this is perfect for fans of *Guess How Much I Love You*
- A standout picture book touching on pertinent themes of mindfulness and gratitude
- An exciting new partnership between two stellar picture book talents: written by Rachel Bright, bestselling, multi-award-winning author of *The Lion Inside*, and with art by Richard Jones, illustrator of the internationally acclaimed *The Snow Lion*
- A partnership with huge international reach: Rachel Bright and Richard Jones' picture books have been translated into 44 and 20 languages respectively

Author Biography

Rachel Bright (Author)

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

Richard Jones (Illustrator)

Richard Jones was born in Warwickshire and has been living and working in Devon for over 20 years. After graduating from the University of Plymouth with a first-class degree in Graphic Design and Illustration, he stayed on to complete a PhD. Richard's style is something different; working with beautifully layered textures, he creates stand-out illustration, with a gentle, muted palette and memorable character design. His illustrated books include *Feelings* and *Town Mouse, Country Mouse*, both written by Libby Walden and published by Little Tiger Press; *Bird Builds a Nest* and *The Squirrels' Busy Year* by Martin Jenkins and published by Walker Books; and *Winter Dance* by Marion Dane Bauer, published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt. His picture book, *The Snow Lion*, by Jim Helmore and published by Simon and Schuster has been published in 20 languages.



Wolf Crown

Get lost in a world of werewolves and vampires, from an award-winning author

Piers Torday

Keynote

A breathtaking fantasy world from the award-winning author of *The Last Wild*. In this spellbinding follow-up to *Midnight Treasure*, adventure with Tibor and Roza into an empire of vampires and werewolves. For readers who loved Katherine Rundell's *Impossible Creatures* or S.F. Said's *Tyger*.

Description

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Praise for *Midnight Treasure*: 'Stop the hunt for your next epic read because this is a treasure of a fantasy book. High stakes, big heart, frightfully good' A.F. Steadman, author of the *Skandar* series

In a world of vampires and werewolves, Tibor and Roza are heirs to the throne. They're the only people alive who can defeat the vampire emperor, the White Prince.

If only they could agree on how.

Join them on their epic treasure hunt for the long-lost Wolf Crown. Can they outwit the White Prince's spies, dragons and werewolves - before it's too late?

From the award-winning Piers Torday comes this spectacular, irresistible treasure hunt: there will be clues, spells, imprisonments and escapes, fights, betrayals ... but above all there will be courage and hope.

Sales Points

- This is a brilliant follow-up to an exceptional book, with a strong vampire/werewolf theme underpinned by Piers's family connection to the Transylvanian locations inspiring the story
- Piers Torday's books have sold well over 200,000 copies through the TCM
- Piers Torday is a celebrated children's writer whose books have been shortlisted for numerous awards, and won the Guardian Children's Book Prize

Author Biography

Piers Torday began his career in theatre and then television as a producer and writer. His first book for children, *The Last Wild*, was shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Award, nominated for the CILIP Carnegie Medal and is being adapted for the stage by the Unicorn and National Theatre. His second book, *The Dark Wild*, won the Guardian Children's Fiction Prize. Other titles include *There May Be A Castle* (People's Book Award finalist), which was adapted for the stage by the Little Angel Theatre, *The Lost Magician* (Teach Primary Book Award) and *Midnight Treasure*, the New Statesman Children's Book of the Year. He recently adapted *The Box of Delights* for the RSC. Other stage adaptations include *Christmas Carol* and *The Wind in the Willows* (Wilton's Music Hall).

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Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage fiction: Action and adventure stories (YFC) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ) Interest age: from c 9 years (5AK)

CBMC	D3N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	384 pages
Word Count	
Series	Midnight Treasure
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

As well as *Midnight Treasure*, Piers has written *The Last Wild* series, *The Lost Magician*, *The Frozen Sea*, and *There May Be A Castle*, and adapted *The Box of Delights*, *A Christmas Carol* and *The Wind in the Willows* for the stage.

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Main Identifier	9781398723221
Thema 1.6	Contemporary horror, ghost stories and supernatural fiction (FKM)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	240 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Author born in	Malawi
Author living in	London, SW 1

Previous Titles

Dark Matter
Thin Air
Wakenhyrst

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
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Rainforest

The atmospheric new novel from Sunday Times bestseller Michelle Paver

Michelle Paver

Keynote

The terrifying, supernatural survival horror from Sunday Times bestseller Michelle Paver, author of *Dark Matter* and *Wakenhyrst*.

Description

ENTER - AND YOU'LL NEVER BE THE SAME

Mexico, 1973

Simon Corbett has come to the jungle the way people do: to salvage a ruined career, and outrun a past he cannot face.

But the forest is no refuge.

As he ventures deeper, his days lose their edges. Footsteps follow that leave no trace. The path he cuts disappears behind him. Something is leading him off course.

Something older than the trees, and watching, and hungry.

He came to the jungle to lose himself.

He may get his wish.

A terrifying supernatural tale from Sunday Times bestseller Michelle Paver, author of *Dark Matter*, *Thin Air* and *Wakenhyrst*.

Sales Points

- **IMPRESSIVE STATS:** Michelle Paver's *Chronicles of Ancient Darkness* series has sold nearly 960,000 copies and *Dark Matter* has sold over 180,000 copies, with continued strong backlist sales (consistent reprints and a recent anniversary edition) driven by word-of-mouth and enduring reading group appeal. Michelle's work has become known for being a modern classic in the genre.
- **ACCLAIMED AUTHOR:** Sunday Times bestseller Michelle Paver is known for *Dark Matter*, *Thin Air* and *Wakenhyrst*, critically acclaimed supernatural novels blending literary quality with creeping dread. She first gained widespread recognition with her internationally bestselling *Wolf Brother* children's series.
- **EXCITING NEW PACKAGE:** We're packaging *Rainforest* with an new look - striking and arresting, perfect for Waterstones and Indies, as well as appealing to both loyal readers and new audiences in the growing crossover literary horror and commercial supernatural thriller space.
- **LITERARY PRESTIGE WITH A COMMERCIAL PACKAGE:** Paver's work is praised as 'spellbinding' (*Guardian*), 'marvellously vivid' (*Sunday Times*) and 'disquieting and poignant' (*Irish Examiner*), establishing her as a leading voice in atmospheric, psychologically driven supernatural fiction with broad cross-market appeal.

Reviews

- 'No one does creeping dread like Michelle Paver. With *Rainforest*, intoxicatingly weird and also prescient, she takes a stalker story and makes it uniquely her own. She has cemented herself as our modern day MR James and as her number one fan I can't wait to see what she does next!' - Sarah Pinborough
- 'A stunning tale of love, death and what comes after set against the sumptuous backdrop of the rainforest. Rarely have I finished reading a book, immediately returned to the first page and started reading again. *Rainforest* is utter brilliance.' - Carly Reagon
- 'No one does terrifying like Michelle Paver.' - Sharon Bolton
- 'With her latest novel, Paver has proved once again that she is master of the ghost story. With its vivid, brilliantly realised setting and creeping dread, I found this a truly terrifying read.' - Rebecca Netley

Author Biography

Born in Malawi to a Belgian mother and a father who ran the tiny 'Nyasaland Times', Michelle moved to the UK when she was three. She was brought up in Wimbledon and, following a Biochemistry Degree from Oxford University, she became a partner in a big City law firm. She gave up the City to follow her long-held dream of becoming a writer. Successfully published as an adult author, the *Chronicles of Ancient Darkness* ("Wolf Brother") were her first books for younger readers, followed by her brilliant 5-part series set in the bronze age, *Gods and Warriors*. On the adult side, her first ghost story, *DARK MATTER*, was a UK bestseller and won



massive praise from reviewers and readers, as did her second ghost story, THIN AIR. Reviews for Michelle's gothic ghost story WAKENHYRST have been stellar - "Her finest novel yet" says The Times... ""What a story it is", says The Observer - "Wakenhyrst is brilliant, spanning Fen devils, mystics and the lot of women in Edwardian England." WAKENHYRST is an Amazon Kindle bestseller.

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Blightfall Skyward Legacy 1

Brandon Sanderson and Janci Patterson

Keynote

From #1 New York Times bestselling author Brandon Sanderson and Janci Patterson comes the first book in a new, high-flying trilogy featuring the legendary Skyward Flight as they undertake a deadly intergalactic mission to explore a mysterious alien world.

Description

After decades of war against alien oppressors, the humans of the Defiant Defense Force are finally free. Yet for Arturo Mendez, leader of Skyward Flight, freedom isn't what he thought it would be.

His first postwar assignment seems simple: The DDF has found evidence of other settlements of humans who were isolated during their long war against the aliens, and Arturo and his flight of pilots are to escort a team of diplomats as they attempt to make contact. It's an easy mission-get in, guard the diplomats, and get out.

But no element of this mission turns out to be simple. Blightfall is inhospitable, surrounded by mysterious debris and covered in giant, invasive forests that have swallowed most of the planet. Upon arrival, Arturo's team is attacked, and it quickly becomes clear that this human settlement isn't what it appears to be.

Now trapped in an unfamiliar world and unsure who to trust, Arturo and his team must find allies and uncover long-buried secrets if they hope to escape and return home.

Sales Points

- The SKYWARD series has **sold 60,000 copies** since first publication, and was an **instant SUNDAY TIMES bestseller**
- This **brand new series** continues the hit formula of Sanderson's **accessible writing** with **a brilliant SF adventure** and plenty of **fast-paced action**
- This is a must-have for the readership which have made Brandon Sanderson's stand-alone stories *Sunday Times* bestsellers; it's a must-have for his existing SKYWARD readers; and it's **a superb new entry point** to Sanderson's writing
- We are perfectly positioned to launch this as **a major new novel**, and to unite these audiences
- Sales teams around the world have been doing amazing work to build retailer love for Brandon Sanderson's writing, and we have the reach and marketing excellence to drive pre-order excitement with the **highly engaged readership**

Author Biography

Brandon Sanderson grew up in Lincoln, Nebraska. He lives in Utah with his wife and children and teaches creative writing at Brigham Young University. His bestsellers have sold 50 million copies worldwide and include the Mistborn saga; the Stormlight Archive novels; and other novels, including *Tress of the Emerald Sea*, *The Rithmatist*, *Steelheart*, and *Skyward*. He won a Hugo Award for *The Emperor's Soul*, a novella set in the world of his acclaimed first novel, *Elantris*. Additionally, he completed Robert Jordan's *The Wheel of Time*®. Visit his website for behind-the-scenes information on all his books.

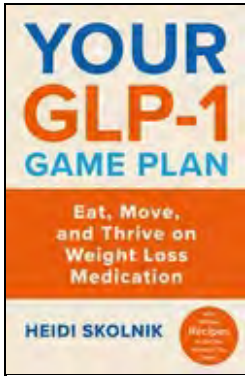
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Your GLP-1 Game Plan

How to Eat Move and Thrive On and Off Medication

Heidi Skolnik

Keynote

Leading nutritionist and exercise physiologist's practical, actionable, science-backed guidelines for how to eat, move, and manage lifestyle habits alongside GLP-1 medication.

Description

GLP-1 medications are transforming lives, but lasting success depends on more than just the prescription. Research shows that people who pair these medications with the right nutrition, exercise, and mental health strategies achieve better, longer-lasting results. Unfortunately, most are given little guidance, risking issues like malnutrition, muscle loss, and fatigue as they lose weight.

That's where *Your GLP-1 Game Plan* comes in. Written by Heidi Skolnik, co-author of *The Whole Body Reset*, this book translates the latest science into simple, actionable steps. Learn how to time meals for energy, choose workouts that protect your metabolism, and manage cravings and stress. With these practical, evidence-based guidelines, you can expect fewer side effects, improved strength and stamina, better sleep, and a greater chance of maintaining weight loss and overall health—even if you eventually stop the medication.

Packed with real-life stories, meal plans, and 50 easy recipes, *Your GLP-1 Game Plan* helps you build sustainable habits that go beyond the prescription. Whether you're new to GLP-1s or seeking to maximize results, this guide gives you the tools to protect your health and thrive.

Sales Points

- **GROWING NUMBER OF GLP-1 USERS IN THE UK:** recent stats are suggesting that up to 1 in 10 women in the UK are using weight loss medication (GLP-1 agonists) with numbers rising weekly. This book will be an invaluable resource for those managing side effects while on the medication and any rebound effects afterwards
- **HIGHLY REPUTABLE AUTHOR:** Heidi Skolnik is a beloved nutritionist and exercise physiologist who regularly sits on national American TV as a voice of food pragmatism. She is also the co-author of *The Whole Body Reset* with Stephen Perrine which sold 141K copies in the US in 2022
- **COMBINATION OF PRACTICAL ADVICE AND PERSONAL STORY:** The author's husband has taken GLP-1 medications and this inspired Heidi to learn how best to support him on that journey. This book is the culmination of that research to keep him well nourished and strong

Author Biography

Heidi Skolnik is a sports nutritionist and exercise physiologist who co-authored the New York Times bestseller *The Whole Body Reset*. A fellow of the American College of Sports Medicine, she is the Sports Nutritionist to WNBA NY Liberty, Juilliard, School of American Ballet, and Women's Sports Medicine Center at Hospital for Special Surgery. She appears frequently on national media outlets to discuss nutrition, health, and fitness.

Market

The Keto Diet by Josh Axe
Hack Your Hormones by Davinia Taylor
It's Not a Diet by Davinia Taylor

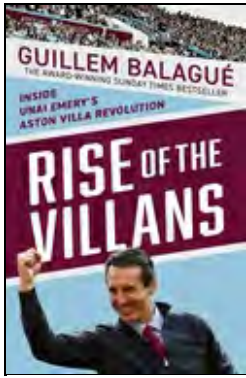
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Extent	560 pages
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Author living in	Leicester, UK

Previous Titles

A Season on the Brink (2005)
Pep Guardiola (2012, 2016 & 2018)
Messi (2013, 2022 & 2023)
Cristiano Ronaldo (2015, 2018, 2020 & 2024)
Brave New World (2017 & 2019)
Maradona (2021)

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Rise of the Villans Inside Unai Emery's Aston Villa Revolution. Fully Updated to Include the Europa League Triumph

Guillem Balagué

Keynote

The exclusive behind-the-scenes account of Unai Emery's Aston Villa revolution from the award-winning *Sunday Times* bestseller, Guillem Balagué

Description

FULLY UPDATED WITH THREE NEW CHAPTERS TO COVER THE EUROPA LEAGUE TRIUMPH!

SHORTLISTED FOR FOOTBALL BOOK OF THE YEAR AT THE 2026 SPORTS BOOK AWARDS

'BRILLIANT, REVEALS DELIGHTFUL DETAILS ABOUT EMERY' *The Times*

'A BACKSTAGE PASS TO THE MAKING OF A MODERN FOOTBALL IDENTITY' *Midlands Gazette*

"Aston Villa is waking up. The slumbering giant is stretching its limbs, eyes wide with the promise of glory. The fans feel it. The city feels it. With Unai Emery at the helm and new ownership driving ambition, there's a feeling that after years of wandering in the wilderness, Villa is finally coming home to where it belongs..."

Guillem Balagué has had unparalleled access to Unai Emery, his backroom staff and the Aston Villa squad ever since the Spaniard was appointed manager in 2022. From growing up in the Basque region to becoming one of the most exciting coaches today, *Rise of the Villans* reveals the inner workings of Emery's psyche. Guillem also takes readers inside Bodymoor Heath to show how Unai has transformed Villa into an exciting side renowned for their direct passing, high energy and devastating counter attacks. At the core of the book are Villa's passionate fans, who outline why they believe club and manager are the perfect match.

With the Holte End roaring into life as Villa Park welcomed the return of European football, it was clear for all to see: Unai Emery had awoken the sleeping giant.

Sales Points

- **BESTSELLING & AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR:** All of Guillem's books have been successive *Sunday Times* bestsellers, and each has been nominated for various awards in their market category. *Cristiano Ronaldo* won Football Book of the Year at the 2016 Sports Book Awards.
- **HUGE AUTHOR PLATFORM:** Guillem's reach is undeniable, he has instant name recognition in the footballing world, and has a total following on social media of over 1.32m followers across his platforms.
- **SLEEPING GIANT WITH BRILLIANT MANAGER:** Aston Villa are the team of the moment with a manager that has them playing brilliant football. They are a team most definitely on the rise, which has been overlooked for years. This book would be a celebration of their rise under Emery.
- **FULL ENDORSEMENT OF CLUB & MANAGER:** Guillem has already spoken to Unai Emery, as well as several board members at Aston Villa, who have given their full support to the book. Guillem will have unrivalled and exclusive access to Unai himself, the Aston Villa players and staff in order to write the book.

Author Biography

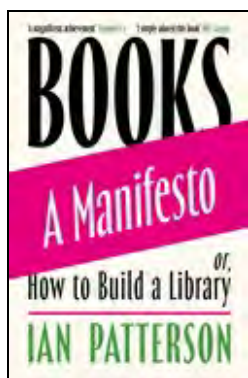
Guillem Balagué is an award-winning author, football journalist and presenter who works for BBC TV, BBC Radio 5 Live, ITV, LaLiga TV and the American network CBS.

His books include *A Season on the Brink*; *Pep Guardiola: Another Way of Winning*; *Messi*; *Cristiano Ronaldo*; *Brave New World: Inside Pochettino's Spurs*; *Maradona: The Boy, The Rebel, The God*; *Rise of the Villans: Inside Unai Emery's Aston Villa Revolution and Barça Captains: The Leaders That Built the World's Greatest Football Club*. Several of Guillem's books have been *Sunday Times* bestsellers in the UK, and shortlisted for various book awards.

He is also chairman of Biggleswade United.

Market

Brave New World by Guillem Balagué; And It Was Beautiful by Phil Hay; Barca by Simon Kuper; Invincible by Amy Lawrence; Klopp Bring the Noise by Raphael Hongstein;



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Books - A Manifesto Or, How to Build a Library

Ian Patterson

Keynote

A manifesto for the importance of books and a guide to expanding your reading horizons by the much-loved writer, critic, poet and translator who has read it all

Description

'Alluring' **DEBORAH LEVY**
'Powerful' **SUNDAY TIMES**
'Sharp and political' **LUCY CALDWELL**
'Marvellous and timely' **STEPHEN FRY**

This is a book about books, about the subversive power of reading and the strange, enduring magic of books as objects. Wise, irreverent and exhilaratingly wide-ranging, *Books: A Manifesto* is an invitation to a deeper, richer world of thought and feeling - and a reminder of just how much books matter.

'Just what I needed. Passionate, erudite but accessible, it will send you rushing back to your bookshelves' **DAVID NICHOLLS**

Sales Points

- **DELIGHTFULLY WIDE-RANGING:** A book to be read cover to cover or dipped into, it will be filled with lists of books - that include recommendations from Proust to Jilly Cooper - charming personal anecdotes and first-class literary criticism
- **BELoved LITERARY FIGURE:** Ian Patterson is an award-winning poet, author and translator. Once a secondhand bookseller, Ian taught English Lit at Cambridge and includes many very high profile authors among his list of mentees. Now retired, Ian is married to the writer Olivia Laing
- **WELL-KNOWN CRITIC:** Ian regularly reviews books, and writes for the LRB among several other publications. His piece for the LRB about dismantling his library was the inspiration for this book

Reviews

- 'A magnificent achievement . . . Hugely recommended' - **STEPHEN FRY**
- 'Just what I needed. Passionate, erudite but accessible, it will send you rushing back to your bookshelves' - **DAVID NICHOLLS**
- 'I simply adored this book . . . Magic rises from every page' - **JILLY COOPER**
- 'It really is a pleasure to engage with Ian Patterson's close, alluring reading of various very different writers; light on its feet and scholarly; a kind of autobiography as well' - **DEBORAH LEVY**

Author Biography

Ian Patterson is a widely published poet and translator, and a former academic. The translator of *Finding Time Again*, the final volume of the Penguin Proust, he is also the author of *Guernica and Total War* and *Nemo's Almanac*. He won the Forward Prize for Best Poem in 2017, with an elegy for his late wife, Jenny Diski. He worked in Further Education between 1970 and 1984, had a second-hand bookselling business for ten years after that, and from 1995 until 2018 was an academic, teaching English Literature at the University of Cambridge. Many of his students have gone on to shape the world of publishing and writing, both in the UK and the US.

Market

For booklovers of all ages and tastes, and fans of: *THE NOVEL CURE* by Susan Elderkin and Ella Berthoud; *DEAR READER* by Cathy Rentzenbrink; *THE YEAR OF READING DANGEROUSLY* by Andy Miller; and books by Brian Dillon

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Translation	Penguin Random House LLC (New York)
Undramatised (straight) reading	Headline Publishing Group
US	Penguin Random House LLC (New York)

Bones

The addictive and devastating dark dystopian romantasy that is making BookTok cry!

K. L. Speer

Keynote

A previously self-published BookTok hit, this new dystopian dark romantasy series about a girl with miraculous healing powers is perfect for readers of *Daggermouth*, *Silver Elite*, and *The Poison Daughter*.

Description

'If seeing someone cry while reading a book makes you want to pick it up immediately, let me save you the wait - this is that book' ★★★★★

'This book deserves six stars... I feel like I'm going to throw up, but in a good way' ★★★★★

'If you loved Boys of Tommen... but also a Mad Max post-apocalyptic type world, then the Bones series might be for you' ★★★★★

A dark and gritty dystopian romantasy - perfect for fans of *Daggermouth*, *Silver Elite* and *The Poison Daughter* - as seen on BookTok!

"I know you're used to people wanting your power, but gods, Bones, all I want is you."

Bones was born with the miraculous power to heal, but all her gift has brought is death. When she was a child, her older brother trained her to survive, and so she did. The blood on her hands will never wash off.

After finally escaping the ruthless raiders who imprisoned her for twelve long years, Bones is broken, scarred, and desperate for atonement. But rumors of her abilities catch up with her, and she's soon dragged to the northwest mountain stronghold known as the Vault.

Involuntarily drawn to the tight-knit crew who captured her, Bones begins to develop feelings for Trey, a strong, kindhearted man who breaks through her defenses. But Bones is carrying terrible secrets, and menacing forces are hunting her. To let people in is to endanger them.

With a mounting rebellion and enemies closing in on her, Bones must confront questions around love, survival, and what's worth fighting for when all else seems lost.

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'Devastatingly good... The last 15%??!! I don't know if I'll ever recover' ★★★★★

'It's been 24 hours and every time I think of it, I tear up' ★★★★★

'A dark post-apocalyptic romantasy gem... Go read it. Then we can be sad together' ★★★★★

'I can't breathe... THIS BOOK HAS GIVEN ME CHEST PAIN' ★★★★★

Sales Points

- **DYSTOPIAN ROMANTASY IS HOT ON BOOKTOK:** With K. L. Speer's self-published editions being regularly **recommended by high profile tastemakers on TikTok and Instagram** alongside other upcoming 2026 highlights like *Daggermouth*, *The Poison Daughter*, *Silver Elite* and *To Cage a Wild Bird*.
- **THE HUNGER GAMES RETURNS TO CINEMAS THIS AUTUMN:** And excitement about **post-apocalyptic stories is set to be at an all time high** in reading communities ahead of the film release, making it **the perfect moment to release our trad editions of K. L. Speer's brilliant series alongside Ballantine/PRH in the US**
- **RAVE READER REVIEWS** on Goodreads are obsessed with the **found family, dark themes, shocking final act twists and strong female characters** in the series - positioning the books as **part-Chloe Walsh's Boys of Tommen series, part-Mad Max and part-Silver Elite**.
- **LEAD TITLE FOR THE US:** With an estimated 100,000 copy print run, high-spec sprayed edges and foil, Ballantine are planning a major relaunch of BONES and FANGS this Autumn.

Reviews

- '*Bones* shattered me in the best way. It's a beautifully written, emotionally rich story where trauma and resilience are explored with great depth and precision. It lingers, haunting and impossible to shake' - Trista Lundquist

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- 'Transports you into a harsh, post-apocalyptic world with a found family so vivid, you'll find both comfort and thrill in its pages' - M. M. Parks
- 'K. L. Speer delivers a raw story of survival inside a world that strips people down to what they'll do to stay alive, and the fragile ways we cling to hope when everything else has failed us . . . Bold, genuinely human, and unforgettable, *Bones* is for readers who crave truly dark romantasy' - Hillary Anna

Author Biography

Kelsey Speer is an author and artist who lives in Minneapolis, Minnesota with her husband and two children, but she grew up in the remote mountains of Montana where the story of *Bones* takes place. With a background in graphic design, she is always creating something. Thanks to that creative spirit, she has explored numerous artistic mediums from embroidery, drawing, her kids' Halloween costumes, painting, digital art, fancy cakes, and changing the color of her hair. But she always comes back to writing.

Kelsey started writing her first novel when she was twelve years old. Tragically the pink floppy disc containing it was lost. Since then, she has started writing many different books, and after finally getting officially diagnosed with ADHD as an adult, she actually finished one.

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The Bestseller the addictive and suspenseful debut thriller to keep you gripped in 2026

Jenny Knightsby

Keynote

A suspense-filled domestic psychological thriller about a therapist who spills her client's confidential secrets, and her friend who writes them into her next bestselling novel - perfect for fans of Freida McFadden, Claire Douglas and Daniel Hurst.

Description

YOU TOLD HER YOUR DARKEST SECRETS.

NOW MILLIONS WILL READ THEM . . .

'A gripping thriller that plumbs the dark depths of our closest relationships' **CLAIRE MCGOWAN**

'Brilliant and chilling . . . I tore through the pages' - **SARAH EASTER COLLINS**

'What a unique premise and so well executed. Tight plotting, and great characters. THE BESTSELLER is set to fly. I loved it!' - **LOUISE SWANSON**

Therapist Helena Salve knows that client confidentiality is the number one unbreakable rule of her job. But the constant stories of coercive control and threat she hears from her client Belle about her dangerous husband have been wearing her down. One night over too many glasses of wine, she tells her best friend Tala everything that Belle has told her.

The problem is, Tala is a down-on-her-luck novelist who is looking for an idea for her new thriller.

Months later, Tala is excitedly telling Helena that her publisher is saying this is going to be her biggest book ever. The story is Belle's story. Not only is Helena's job on the line, but if Belle's husband is as dangerous as she says, her life is too...

Why would Tala do this to Helena? She knows what's at stake.

Your friends are meant to protect you... *aren't they?*

Real Readers are captivated by Jenny Knightsby's debut:

It really blew me off my chair, and I had to keep reading until the last page was turned! □□□□□

I loved how messy and human the friendships felt, and the moral dilemmas really keep you hooked □□□□□

This one gave me tension, moral chaos and that slow creeping dread I live for in a psychological thriller. □□□□□

Jenny Knightsby, whatever you write next, I will read. Put The Bestseller on the top of your TBR list now! □□□□□

Sales Points

- **EXCITING DEBUT VOICE:** This is an electrifying debut by Jenny Knightsby and will certainly be a writer to watch. She captures the complexities of female friendships and dynamics brilliantly and her writing has an impactful and suspenseful just-one-more-chapter quality.
- **WORLD RIGHTS:** We have World All Language rights and are selling into international translation territories to see *The Bestseller* launch around the world! The story is universal about the dynamics of friendship and would suit many cultures and countries.
- **FOR FANS OF FREIDA MCFADDEN:** *The Bestseller* is Mountain Leopard Press' answer to Freida McFadden. Utterly addictive writing, characters full of realistic flaws that you root for and twists you will never see coming. Perfect for fans of The Housemaid series who are looking for their next page-turning suspense fix.
- **BOOKISH HOOK:** The story is centered around the publication of a hit novel that sells millions of copies - which contains the confidential secrets of a therapy client. It's loosely set against the publishing world, which is a hot and global trend with readers right now.

Reviews

- 'What a unique premise and so well executed. Tight plotting, and great characters. THE



BESTSELLER is set to fly. I loved it!' - *Louise Swanson*

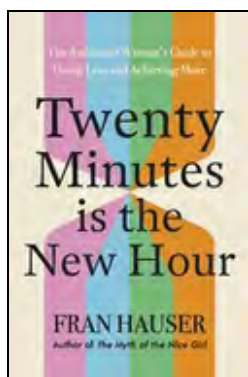
- 'Brilliant and chilling . . . I tore through the pages' - *Sarah Easter Collins*
- 'A dark and compelling exploration of the depths of platonic love, and how far a woman will go to protect the person she loves most' - *Naomi Williams*
- 'What begins as a simple act of betrayal quickly turns menacing in this original and highly satisfying debut. A fresh take on abuse and literary theft, THE BESTSELLER is my favourite kind of thriller. It's incredibly smart and nuanced with twists I didn't see coming. I relished every page.' - *Amy Meyerson*

Author Biography

Jenny Knightsby is a hospital doctor based in West London. *The Bestseller* was shortlisted for the Lucy Cavendish Fiction Prize 2024 and is Knightsby's debut novel.

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Twenty Minutes is the New Hour The Ambitious Woman's Guide to Doing Less and Achieving More

Fran Hauser

Keynote

A radical new framework for enhancing productivity and making space for what really matters.

Description

'Fran outlines exactly how to become a successful career woman without having to change who you are' *Cosmopolitan*

An indispensable guide to help women reclaim hours in their day by overcoming the four Ps: People Pleasing, Procrastination, Perfectionism, and (time) Padding.

Women often carry a different kind of time load - one that adds up in ways that aren't always visible but deeply felt. And often, the way we approach these responsibilities is driven by habits and behaviors that fall into "The 4 P's". Whether it's getting caught in a cycle of saying yes to everything, rewriting an email for the tenth time, or hesitating to start a project, these patterns chip away at our hours and our self-esteem, leaving less time for the things that truly matter.

In *Twenty Minutes Is the New Hour*, Hauser shows professional women how to apply "the twenty-minute mindset" to create more time and space for themselves and their most meaningful work. Embracing a twenty-minute mindset means recognizing that progress doesn't always require an hour you don't have; it can start with the twenty minutes you do have. It's the shift from waiting for perfect conditions to taking small, doable steps that move your work, life, and wellbeing forward. Readers will learn:

- **The script for delivering a quick and kind "no" without apologizing**
- **How to use a to-do list to avoid decision fatigue (and allow you to get through your inbox faster)**
- **The secret recipe for getting an effective meeting done in 20 minutes**
- **Adopting a messy action mindset to just start**
- **How to streamline projects and negotiations that have gotten unnecessarily complicated**

Twenty Minutes Is the New Hour is the antidote to our always-on, overworked world and a fresh take on productivity - this is the book every woman needs to reclaim her time.

Sales Points

- For readers of *Slow Productivity* (12.8k TCM), *The Art of Thinking Clearly* (47k TCM) and Sarah Knight
- Brilliantly insightful, accessible and genuinely life-changing book to empower you to take back control of your time and priorities - with a warm, accessible voice, this is smart thinking and optimisation meets personal development
- With practical advice, exercises and case studies throughout - this book is inclusive, relatable and instantly useful
- Well-respected author in the commercial publishing world
- Named one of the "6 Most Powerful Women in NYC's Tech Scene." - *Refinery29*

Reviews

- 'Fran outlines exactly how to become a successful career woman without having to change who you are' - *Cosmopolitan*
- 'Fran Hauser turns the 'nice girl' notion on its head' - *Forbes*
- 'Is it possible to be both kind and a total badass? Yes-and Fran Hauser tells us how' - *Goop*
- 'Regardless of where you are in your career, *Twenty-Minutes is the New Hour* is the time-management guide you need to reclaim your time and get ahead. Everyone [...] will find something useful in these pages.' - *Lindsey Pollak, New York Times bestselling author*

Author Biography

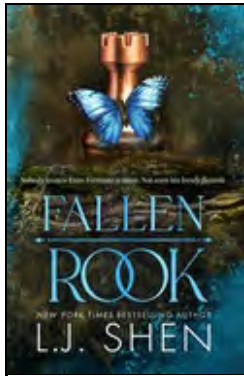
Fran Hauser is a leading career expert and vocal champion of women in the workplace, the owner of Bedford Books in Bedford, New York, and the author of *The Myth of the Nice Girl*. She has spoken at over 200 organizations, including Meta, Google, Unilever, Blackrock, NPR, Mastercard, and The Conference for Women. Fran's insights have appeared in media outlets including *Fortune*, *CNBC*, *Fast Company*, *Elle*, *Refinery29*, and *Business Insider*.

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Fallen Rook

L.J. Shen

Keynote

Book #3 in the BRAND NEW Society of Villains Series from the bestselling romance author and TikTok sensation - following on from Bad Bishop and Twisted Pawn. Also works as a standalone!

Description

The third book in the new dark and decadent Society of Villains series. More details coming soon . . .

READERS ARE ALREADY OBSESSED WITH L.J. SHEN:

'The way this book had me in a chokehold'
'I'm honestly speechless' 'New favourite author! I could NOT put this book down'
'This book was everything . . . GRAB THIS BOOK NOW'
'All emotions covered' 'Five stars all day long'

WHAT TO EXPECT FROM THE NEW SERIES?

Mafia Wars
Taboo tropes
Plot twists to make your jaw drop
One MM book (I told ya' it was coming)
Cameos from your favourite characters (someone said Wolfe and Francesca? Vicious and Millie? And what about the Forbidden Love gang?) . . .

Sales Points

- **Huge appetite for romance books in this space:** This is intense, angsty, dark mafia romance, with lots of tropes readers love. This is a brilliant new answer for all the romance readers desperate for their next dark fix.
- **Previous success for the author through UK TCM already:** The first two books in the series - BAD BISHOP and TWISTED PAWN - have had huge success already, both in ebook and in paperback, and are growing with each new book. Partial week TCM sales doubled from Book 1 to Book 2, showing substantial, consistent growth as the series continues.
- **Third book in an exciting series - and also a standalone:** This is the third book in a dark mafia series from the bestselling author. Seven books currently planned - and a huge, buzzy campaign planned in the US, UK and ANZ for all of those titles, growing with every book.
- **Engaged fanbase and pre-existing platform:** Author already has a brilliantly engaged fanbase who hang on her every word, buy all editions of her books, and leave incredible reviews... she's a social media superstar with over 127k followers on Instagram, and over 270 million views on #LJShen on TikTok.
- **Brilliant reader reviews:** Her pre-existing books already have thousands of five-star reviews: 'I'm honestly speechless'; 'A love story that will live in my heart for years!'; 'spellbound is the only word I can describe this masterpiece with'; 'The way this book had me in a chokehold'

Author Biography

L.J. Shen is a *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *USA Today*, *Washington Post*, and #1 Amazon bestselling author of contemporary and NA romance. Her books have been translated in over twenty different countries. She hopes to visit all of them. She lives in a picturesque beach town with her family, pets and inner demons, and enjoys reading, traveling, cooking and spending time with her grumpy cat

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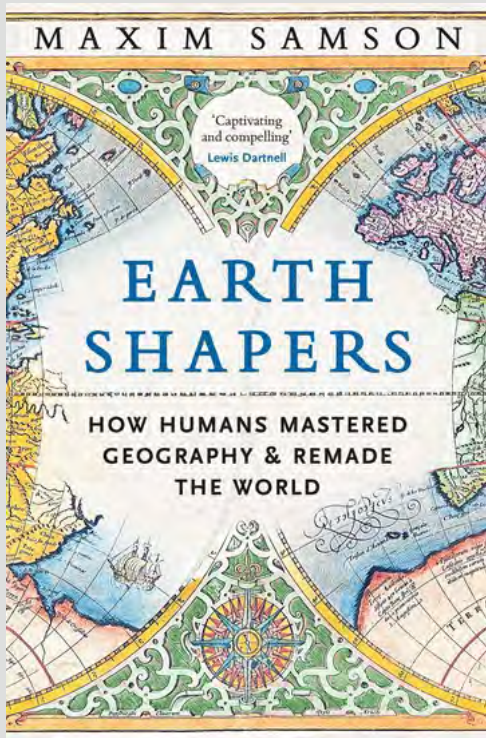
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Extent	464 pages
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Series	Society of Villains
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); EU; UK
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Author living in	Boca Raton, FL
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Previous Titles

Society of Villains Series: Bad Bishop
Forbidden Love Series: Truly Madly Deeply; Wildest Dreams; Handsome Devil
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REVIEWS

'A captivating and compelling account of how civilisations have made use of natural landscapes for their long-term benefit.

From the astounding Incan road system to the building of Chicago and the Panama canal, humans have a long history of shaping the Earth to build connections between ourselves. Samson demonstrates how we are not always prisoners of geography, but increasingly its masters' - Professor Lewis Dartnell, author of *ORIGINS: How the Earth Shaped Human History*

'Samson takes a fresh look at humanity's imprint on the planet ... **A riposte to the idea that geography is destiny** by charting the ways humans have reshaped their surroundings' - Pilita Clark, *Financial Times*

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Earth Shapers

How Humans Mastered Geography and Remade the World

MAXIM SAMSON

KEYNOTE

How humans harnessed the geographical landscape and wrote ourselves onto our surroundings

SALES POINTS

- Perfect for fans of Tim Marshall and Zoran Nikolic's *The Atlas of Unusual Borders* (15k TCM), as well as broader world history narratives from the likes of Peter Frankopan, Lewis Dartnell and Simon Jenkins
- Written by an exciting young expert in cultural geography for a general readership: full of nature, politics, history and economics
- Sheds light on unsung histories, from those of Native Americans' portage routes to Mozambican freedom fighters
- A globetrotting book with international appeal: *Earth Shapers* visits South America, Mozambique, Panama, Saudi, the Baltic States, Chicago, the Sahel and Korea. Each location will have a bespoke map to fully situate and immerse readers

DESCRIPTION

'A riposte to the idea that geography is destiny' *FINANCIAL TIMES*

'Samson demonstrates how we are not always prisoners of geography but, increasingly, its masters' LEWIS DARTNELL

'This is a book that reshapes our story of global human geography' DANNY DORLING

'Accessible and erudite, this is an original look at the geography of connection' LEWIS BASTON

Mountains, meridians, rivers and borders; these are some of the features that carve up the world on our maps and in our minds. But geography is far less set in stone than we might believe and, over time, we have become experts at reshaping our surroundings.

From the Qhapaq Ñan, South America's 'Great Road', and the Panama Canal to Mozambique's railways and Korea's sacred Baekdu-daegan mountain range, Samson explores how we mould the world around us. And how, as we etch our needs onto the natural landscape, we alter the course of history.

An immense work of cultural geography touching on ecology, sociology, history and politics, *Earth Shapers* argues that, far from being constrained by geography, we are instead its creators.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Maxim Samson is a geographer and the author of *Invisible Lines: Boundaries and Belts That Define the World*. An award-winning educator and researcher, he has taught and presented keynote lectures at universities in the United Kingdom, the United States and Indonesia. He is an adjunct professor at DePaul University in Chicago, specialising in cultural geography and religion. In his free time, he enjoys long-distance running and exploring the culture and language of his favourite country, Indonesia.



Jacket
Coming Soon



The Incendiary

A passionate and thrilling fantasy romance

LJ Claren

Keynote

The hotly anticipated sequel to instant romantasy bestseller and BookTok hit *The Silversmith*, perfect for fans of Callie Hart, Rebecca Yarros, and Lauren Roberts.

Description

They thought she was powerless. Now she is unstoppable.

Everything that **Ary** thought she knew was a lie...

She has been caged and controlled, lied to by the ones she loved. Now she is finally free with dangerous magic waking in her veins. They say she is destined to lead an army against a rising darkness. They say the man she loves is dangerous-that she will never see him again.

But Ary is done listening to what they say. She will choose her own destiny.

It's time for her to *burn*...

Sales Points

- Sequel to romantasy BookTok breakout *The Silversmith* - a lead title for Second Sky and Forever/Grand Central in the US.
- Totally addictive writing and a proven hit in ebook, with Kindle Unlimited numbers at levels not seen since Kaylie Smith's *Phantasma*.
- A masterpiece of yearning and slow-burn romantic tension - spice in Book 1 is low, but builds over the series.
- Epic campaigns planned for UK and US trade, as well as intense digital advertising.
- Book 1 ends with a truly jaw-dropping final twist, and anticipation for Book 2 is intense.

Reviews

- **'I NEED EVERYONE TO READ THIS BOOK!!!** It ruined and revived me all at once... **The romance?? Divine. All-consuming**... I'm still squealing... I swear I highlighted the entire book... So exciting, everything I love in a fantasy!' - *Real reader review, 5 stars*
- **'I am absolutely FLOORED**... I beg you to **READ THIS ONE**... I was immediately hooked and finished this book in a day and a half... **THE EMOTIONAL DAMAGE**... Had me sitting up straight in bed, **speechless**, feeling a **literal ache in my chest**... **I am going to be thinking about that ending for DAYS**... **Go read this!!!** - *Real reader review, 5 stars*
- **'PERFECT**... I truly have no notes... I was **absolutely captivated and mesmerized** from the first page until the last... **The MMC is perfect**... I damn near broke my finger highlighting every single quote... I was **DOWN HORRENDOUS FOR THIS MOUNTAIN OF A MAN!**... **Blew my mind.**' - *Real reader review, 5 stars*

Market

Rebecca Yarros, Callie Hart, and Penn Cole.

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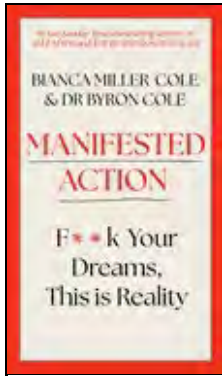
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Manifested Action F*ck Your Dreams, This is Reality!

Bianca Miller-Cole and Byron Miller

Keynote

Manifest your way to a brilliant future with an action to match every intention

Description

In today's society, there is a lot of talk about manifestation and how it can help you achieve your dreams. However, many people forget that manifestation on its own is not enough. To truly achieve your goals, you need to take action.

That's where Manifested Action comes in.

In this book, Sunday Times bestselling authors Dr Byron Cole and Bianca Miller-Cole take you on a journey of what manifestation is, why action is important, and the steps to take to start making your dreams a reality. The book promises to be an informative but easy-to-use guide to creating the life you love, whether you are an entrepreneur, career professional, parent, or anyone else looking to build their business, career, side hustle, love life, or legacy.

Sales Points

- A clear, practical guide to turning dreams into reality, showing readers what manifestation is, why action matters, and how to build the habits, plans and mindset needed to create meaningful change.
- From *Sunday Times* bestselling authors Dr Byron Cole and Bianca Miller-Cole, a dynamic husband-and-wife team with strong credentials across entrepreneurship, personal development, business and public speaking.
- With a growing platform and audience across both the UK and Dubai, Byron and Bianca bring an international perspective to ambition, success, reinvention and modern self-development.
- A fresh new take on manifesting that moves beyond vision boards and positive thinking, placing the emphasis firmly on action: the daily choices and practical steps that make change happen.
- Perfect for entrepreneurs, career professionals, side-hustlers, parents and ambitious readers looking to build their business, career, love life or legacy with greater clarity, confidence and purpose.

Author Biography

Bianca Miller-Cole (Author)

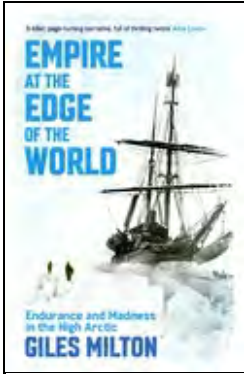
Bianca Miller-Cole is an award-winning entrepreneur, workshop facilitator and internationally renowned professional speaker. In 2014, Bianca was the runner-up on *The Apprentice*, the BBC television series in which candidates compete in front of millions of viewers to go into business partnership with multi-millionaire tycoon, Lord Sugar. Bianca is the founder of go to personal branding company The Be Group and her retail brand, Bianca Miller London. Since writing bestselling book *Self Made* Bianca has mentored over 1000 entrepreneurs to assist them in scaling their business to 6-7 figures. She is an in-demand public speaker, non-executive director and was awarded a Power Profile by LinkedIn in 2016 and the Forbes 30 under 30 list in 2018.

Byron Cole (Author)

Dr Byron Cole is multi-award-winning entrepreneur, author and business start-up expert with a diverse portfolio of over 21 businesses spanning the UK and UAE. As a business mentor, he has had the privilege of guiding countless individuals towards success, generating millions of pounds for their mentees. His published works include *Self Made*, a comprehensive guide covering the entire business development process, from start-up to exit. It offers practical and implementable advice. Additionally, *The Business Survival Kit*, achieved Sunday Times bestselling status in the UK. In 2022, Byron dedication and contributions to entrepreneurship were recognised by the University of Greenwich, where he was honoured with an honorary degree. This recognition further validates his commitment to excellence and reinforces his status as a prominent figure in the entrepreneurial realm.

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Empire at the Edge of the World Endurance and Madness in the High Arctic

Giles Milton

Keynote

A harrowing Arctic adventure of imperial rivalries at the frozen edge of the world.

Description

One man's lust for empire sent fifteen people into the Arctic - only one came back.

1913, *the Arctic circle*. Charismatic explorer Vilhjalmur Stefansson is obsessed with a frozen speck of land in the Siberian Arctic: Wrangel Island. Believing that whoever possesses it would control the future - air routes, resources, even the balance of power in the northern hemisphere, he takes an impossible gamble. Dispatching a small, ill-equipped venture to stake a frozen colony in Britain's name, it is a triumph brilliance, ego and breathtaking hubris.

What follows is a catastrophe of starvation, madness, and geopolitical risk. As winter seals the island in ice, relief ships fail to arrive and tensions among the colonists spiral toward despair. While diplomats spar and warships steam north, the settlers are left to endure scurvy, polar bears, and the terror of abandonment. At the centre of it all stands one unlikely survivor - a young Inuit seamstress who can outlast them all...

Sweeping, chilling and stranger than fiction, *Empire at the Edge of the World* is a story of greed and justice at the edge of the world.

Sales Points

- **EXPERT AUTHOR:** In May 2024 we published THE STALIN AFFAIR which was selected for a 10-part R4 Book of the Week, and attracted rave blurbs. Giles is an international million-copy bestselling author, one of his works is being developed into a major screen project.
- **GRIPPING NARRATIVE HISTORY:** The litany of expeditions, shipwrecks, mutiny and colonial terror that followed is staggering, as is the story of the one Inuit woman who would outlast him.
- **GROWING MARKET:** Capitalising on the resurgence of old fashioned nonfiction epics in recent years, Giles has identified a hotspot of history that still provokes rivalries to this day.
- **COMPS:** *The Wager* by David Grann: 31k HB, 72.4k pb; *The Ship Beneath the Ice* by Mensun Bound: 25.2k HB, 20.8k pb; *Madhouse at the End of the Earth* by Julian Sancton: 6.9k HB, 30.9k pb

Author Biography

Giles Milton is the million-copy, internationally bestselling author of a dozen works of narrative history. His books have been translated into twenty-five languages. One of Milton's previous works, *Nathaniel's Nutmeg*, is currently being developed into a major screen project. Milton is the writer and narrator of the acclaimed narrative podcast series, *Ministry of Secrets*, produced by Sony and available on all platforms. He lives in London and Burgundy.

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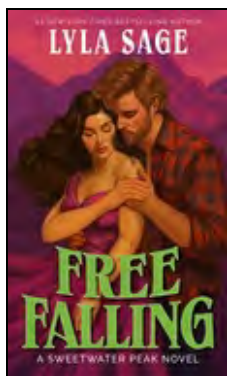
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Extent	384 pages
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Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); EU
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Book locale	Arctic
Author born in	Buckinghamshire
Author living in	London, UK

Previous Titles

- The Riddle and the Knight (1996)
- Nathaniel's Nutmeg (1999)
- Big Chief Elizabeth (2000)
- Samurai William (2002)
- White Gold (2004)
- Paradise Lost (2008)
- Wolfram (2011)
- aka *The Boy Who Went to War*
- Russian Roulette (2013)
- Fascinating Footnotes from History (2015)
- When Hitler Took Cocaine and Lenin Lost His Brain (2016)
- The Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare (2016)
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- Churchill's Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare (2018)
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Free Falling

Lyla Sage

Keynote

Book 2 in the instant No. 1 *New York Times* bestselling Sweetwater Peak duology from the queen of western romance, Lyla Sage.

Description

Old haunts, new feelings.

Clarke Cartwright probably needed to get out more. She just had a lot to do. Running Toade's Antiques was no small feat, especially considering that the roof was in shambles and half her merchandise was unsellable. But dealing with that felt easier than her other two options: third-wheeling with her best friend...again, or chatting it up with the ghost of her childhood crush's father, who just can't seem to leave her alone.

Leith Wilkes has spent his life preparing to take over his family's farm. Well, he's actually spent most of his life flirting, but now he's ready to buckle down, which has nothing to do with an oddly specific clause that his dad left in his inheritance. Leith is pretty sure he's the only one who knows about it...until Clarke drunkenly spills that she knows, too, along with a bunch of other Wilkes family secrets.

Leith starts to wonder if there's more to Clarke than she lets on...and if his dad has something to do with it. And if she is keeping secrets of her own, maybe she won't mind helping him with his.

Sales Points

- **An instant bestseller:** *Soul Searching*, Book 1 in the Sweetwater Peak duology, was an instant No. 1 *New York Times* bestseller.
- **Perfect for Autumn:** With its spooky setting, paranormal elements and cosy vibes, *Free Falling* is the perfect read to wrap up with in Autumn 2026.
- **Rebel Blue:** Lyla Sage is the author of the Rebel Blue Ranch series, which also hit the *New York Times* bestseller list and continues to garner new fans!

Reviews

- 'Lyla Sage enters the world of paranormal storytelling with **an absolute knockout. Cozy, compelling, and clever**, *Soul Searching* is **a tender love story** that lights up the shadows. I can't wait to visit Sweetwater Peak again' - *B.K. Borison, author of Good Spirits*
- '*Soul Searching* is **a masterpiece**. It's a book that **reaches into your heart and heals parts of you** that you didn't know needed healing. **Lyla Sage continues to raise the bar with every book she writes**' - *Hannah Bonam-Young, author of People Watching*
- '**Delightfully spooky with the perfect swoon-worthy and heartfelt romance**, *Soul Searching* is **a must-read** for fall. I'll devour anything Lyla Sage writes!' - *Nadia El-Fassi, author of Love at First Fright*
- '*Soul Searching* is **my new favorite ghost story**. I fell immediately in love with black cat Collins and certified Sweet Boy, Brady, along with the entire town of Sweetwater Peak. Lyla's writing is **singularly atmospheric**, and *Soul Searching* is **the perfect blend of spooky and cozy**. I'm already chomping at the bit for the rest of this series. **Lyla Sage is the queen of flirty banter!**' - *Rosie Danan, author of Fan Service*

Author Biography

Lyla Sage lives in the Wild West with her loyal companion, a sweet, old, blind rescue pitbull. She writes romance that feels like her favourite things: sunshine and big blue skies. She is the author of *Done and Dusted*, *Swift and Saddled*, *Lost and Lassoed*, *Wild and Wrangled* and *Soul Searching*. When she's not writing, she's reading.

@authorlylasage

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Thema 1.6	Modern and Contemporary romance (FRD) Romance: 'western', rural or 'outback' (FRJ) Romance: fantasy and paranormal (FRT) Sports fiction (FG)

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In-House Editor	Hannah Rossiter

Book locale	Wyoming
Author living in	Utah

Previous Titles

Done and Dusted
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Soul Searching

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Hack Yourself Healthy

Reclaim your health to boost your energy, clear your mind and live a long, vibrant life

Julia Bradbury

Keynote

The secrets of personalised medicine and how to make it work for you by one of the UK's favourite TV presenters, Julia Bradbury.

Description

THE NUMBER ONE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER

Join Julia Bradbury as she travels the world to uncover the ultimate health and wellness hacks to help you take charge of your health for good.

The human body is a marvel of biological engineering that constantly renews itself, and we always seem to be on the hunt for ways to improve it, physically and emotionally. But with so many new health trends on the rise, how do we know what *really* works?

In *Hack Yourself Healthy*, TV presenter and author Julia Bradbury cuts through the noise to embark on a rigorous journey to reclaim her health following her own breast cancer diagnosis. Her quest in this book is to discover whether she can go from a cancer diagnosis to being the fittest and healthiest she's ever been. Travelling across the world to explore different cultural approaches, from India to Antarctica, from Cornwall to Yorkshire, Julia talks with world-renowned experts as she volunteers as a 'Crash Test Mummy' to test the latest in biohacking, screening and testing. Follow her as she embraces Europe's coldest cryotherapy chamber and investigates the world's oldest medical system, Ayurveda, in the Himalayas.

Drawing from research, interviews with global thought leaders and personal experiments, Julia offers practical tips and accessible science-based strategies to optimise every aspect of your health and wellbeing. She uncovers why saunas can be so beneficial, how sugar affects us on a cellular level, what types of exercise we should be doing every week (and how much of it), if drinking alcohol has benefits, which foods can help us live a more vibrant life, and why planetary health and human health are so intrinsically linked.

You'll also discover how to hack your nutrition and hormonal health, utilise sleep science and why the future of medicine is an integrative whole-person approach. As a long time 'outdoor evangelist' Julia continues to explore the rejuvenating power of nature (and even how it can mimic science). Using this ultimate health blueprint, you can join Julia on her quest to 'make the best of the rest' and curate your own transformative health journey at home and in nature.

Hack Yourself Healthy will show you that true happiness isn't just about living longer - it's about living better.

Sales Points

- Julia's previous book, WALK YOURSELF HAPPY was a SUNDAY TIMES bestseller and has sold 70k copies across all formats.
- Julia is very passionate about healthy living and is now dedicating her instagram page (300k followers) to health content.
- She is a broadcast STAR - any time she promotes we shift a significant amount of copies.

Author Biography

Julia Bradbury is a well-loved television presenter, author, nature advocate, charity campaigner and *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *Walk Yourself Happy*. She is best known for turning her lifelong passion for walking into prime-time TV with shows including Britain's Best Walks, Cornwall and Devon Walks with Julia Bradbury and Wainwright's Walks in the Lake District. She manages to bring the outdoors and nature into people's homes and lives, in a warm engaging tone. She started her television career as a show business reporter for breakfast television in Los Angeles, and came back to the UK to launch Channel 5.

She was a key member of the presenting team which turned Countryfile into one of the most watched factual programmes on BBC1 with millions tuning in on Sunday nights, and has fronted other flagship shows including Top Gear and Watchdog. In recent years she has also taken on a creative role, co-developing new series, as well as appearing on screen.

Following her breast cancer diagnosis and her recovery from a mastectomy in 2021, she made an award-winning documentary *Julia Bradbury: Breast Cancer & Me* about her experience. She has supported prostate, ovarian and bowel cancer charities for many

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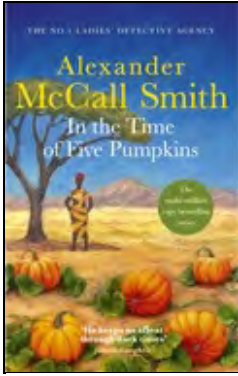


years and also campaigns for better diagnosis, research and funding into the disease Endometriosis.

Having discovered that between 30%-40% of cancers are preventable, Julia is now determined to speak up for a more personalised approach to health care, embracing new science and taking a preventative and integrative approach to well-being. Her passion is the natural world, and her cancer diagnosis and surgery have motivated her to dedicate her time supporting the benefits of healthy living and the virtues of nature therapy. She is a devoted mum of three, and credits motherhood with inspiring her on her quest for healthspan.

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In the Time of Five Pumpkins

Alexander McCall Smith

Keynote

Book 26 in the multi-million copy bestselling and perennially adored No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency series

Description

Book 26 in the multi-million copy bestselling and perennially adored No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency series

The rains are coming, but not just yet. When they do, there will be green shoots of growth throughout Botswana. Pumpkins will flourish - particularly those of Mma Potokwani, matron of a children's home and old friend of Precious Ramotswe. Mma Potokwani and Mma Ramotswe have many other things to talk about, including a new friendship that Mr J.L.B. Matekoni has struck up with Mr Freddie Mogorosi, a prominent figure in the motor trade. Freddie Mogorosi has invited Mr J.L.B. Matekoni to go fishing with him on the local dam - which is home to some fairly nasty crocodiles. They do not catch anything, but something nearly catches them.

In the meantime, Mma Ramotswe looks into what seems to be a straightforward matter involving a husband who thinks his wife may be having affair. But there is a surprise in store: she, it transpires, suspects that he himself has a lover. This is obviously a case that will require tact - which of course is a quality Mma Ramotswe has in abundance. Along with kindness.

For Botswana is a kind country, and in this latest visit to The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency we are reassured that no matter how unhappy the world may be, there is always an oasis of courtesy and peace in that special place in southern Africa. To which you are now invited.

Sales Points

- English language sales for McCall Smith's titles now exceed 20 million copies worldwide
- Alexander McCall Smith has been recognised as Author of the Year three times (BA, NIBBIES and Waterstones)

Author Biography

Alexander McCall Smith is the author of over one hundred books on a wide array of subjects, including the award-winning The No.1 Ladies' Detective Agency series. He is also the author of the Isabel Dalhousie novels and the world's longest-running serial novel, *44 Scotland Street*. His books have been translated into forty-six languages. Alexander McCall Smith is Professor Emeritus of Medical Law at the University of Edinburgh and holds honorary doctorates from thirteen universities. He was knighted by the King in 2024.

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Last Night I Dreamt A Personal History of the du Mauriers

Paul de Zulueta

Keynote

An intimate, revelatory family biography of the iconic bestselling author Daphne du Maurier, by her eldest surviving grandson

Description

An intimate, revelatory family biography of the iconic writer Daphne du Maurier and her famous ancestors, by her eldest grandson

Born into a famous artistic dynasty, Daphne grew up in an atmosphere of carefree privilege. At a time when girls of her class were not expected to have a career, she defied convention and moved to Cornwall to pursue her ambition to become a writer. There, over six decades, she dreamt up the stories that have sold tens of millions of copies worldwide and still haunt our cultural imagination, including *Rebecca*, *Jamaica Inn* and 'The Birds'.

Last Night I Dreamt explores how the turbulence and contradictions of Daphne's own life - spanning war, affairs, a marriage to a renowned but damaged general, and unrequited love - inspired her writing. It also uncovers the powerful influence of her notable forebears, in particular her domineering father Gerald, the most famous actor-manager of his generation; her grandfather George, a renowned Victorian novelist and cartoonist; and the mistress to the Duke of York, Mary Anne Clarke, another woman who refused to obey the rules.

Paul de Zulueta, Daphne's grandson, has drawn on private family archives, new interviews and his own memories of his grandmother, a woman who was central to his early life. In doing so, he gives us an extraordinary look into the world of Daphne du Maurier with rare closeness and emotional candour, and a moving portrait of one of the great British artistic families of the 19th and 20th centuries.

Sales Points

- The life and works of Daphne du Maurier continue to beguile and fascinate readers across the world. Her blockbuster *Rebecca* has never been out of print since it was published. She has sold well over 35m books worldwide, and Virago has sold over 2.6 million copies of her books.
- Paul is Daphne's eldest surviving grandchild, with plenty of his own memories of Daphne, plus exclusive, unparalleled access to the family and its archives - there will be revelations aplenty!
- Full of gossip and walk-on parts from figures including Henry James, JM Barrie and King Charles
- Never before seen photos will be included in the plate section

Author Biography

Paul de Zulueta is Daphne du Maurier's eldest surviving grandchild, and son of Tessa, Daphne's elder daughter. Inspired by the memory of Daphne's husband, 'Boy' Browning's, distinguished military career, Paul spent his early 20s in the army. He then developed a career in adult education and personal development. Paul started writing in his early 50s and has written obituaries for *The Times*, book reviews for the *Spectator* and is a contributing editor to the *Household Division Journal*. He has written two books published by Osprey Bloomsbury: *Peace, War and Whitehall* (ghosted memoirs for Field Marshal Lord Guthrie, Tony Blair's chief of defence staff) and *Those Must be The Guards* (the authorised history of the Household Division 1969- 2023 with a Foreword by The Princess Royal).

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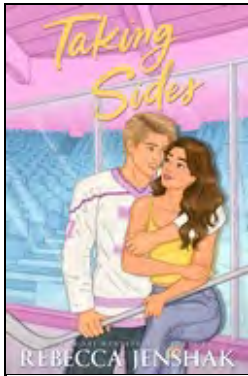
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Taking Sides

A completely addictive and spicy brother's rival ice hockey romance

Rebecca Jenshak

Keynote

A deliciously sweet and spicy rival's sister ice hockey romance.

Description

She has one rule: never date a hockey player. But her brother's biggest rival is breaking through all her defences . . .

Conrad Shepard is Moonshot Hockey's star defenseman but when it comes to the ladies, he's sitting on the bench.

Despite his teammates' best attempts at playing wingman, he's hopeless. He can barely speak around women, let alone ask one out. Between his dating problems and a season-ending loss, he thinks volunteering at a high school hockey camp is the perfect escape.

That is until he meets Coach Whitney. She's beautiful, she's smart, and she knows hockey. It's the perfect combination to render him speechless (even more so than usual).

Whitney Aven has been surrounded by hockey players her entire life. Which is why she has a strict rule to never date one.

But Conrad isn't like any other man she's met. He's unbelievably handsome, unexpectedly sweet and patient with her players, and one of the most talented skaters she's ever met. The fact that he barely looks in her direction and blushes anytime she speaks to him is also pretty irresistible.

She never expects him to ask her out.

Or that she'll say yes.

One awkward date somehow leads to another and another.

And Whitney's no hockey player rule? Well, it's a lot more complicated now because Conrad isn't just a hockey player.

He's her brother's biggest rival.

Sales Points

- **HUGE SERIES WITH INCREDIBLE EBOOK SALES:** books 1 and 2 in the Moonshot Hockey series, Lucky Shot and Keeping Score, have made over \$240k in the US and £30k in the UK since August 2025. This has quickly become a beloved ice hockey series, and we are taking over the ebook and publishing the paperbacks to push this even further.
- **USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR WITH HUGE ONLINE FANBASE:** Rebecca Jenshak is a beloved sports romance author and frequently hits the Kindle top 50, as well as being a USA Today bestseller. She has over 52k followers on Instagram and a highly engaged fanbase.
- **BANG ON ROMANCE TRENDS WITH ALL THE TROPES READERS KNOW AND LOVE:** ice hockey romance is having a moment with the runaway success of *Heated Rivalry*, and the upcoming Amazon series for Elle Kennedy's Off Campus series. This series is exactly what these fans want, with tropes ranging from grump x sunshine, rival's little sister, Vegas wedding, fake dating and single dad.

Author Biography

Rebecca Jenshak is a *USA Today* bestselling author of new adult and sports romance. She writes sexy, feel-good stories with lots of swoon-worthy moments. Rebecca lives in Arizona. When she isn't writing, you can find her cheering on local sports teams, hanging out with friends and family, or curled up with a good book.

Market

Fans of Elle Kennedy, Stephanie Archer, Hannah Grace, Bal Khabra and *Heated Rivalry*.

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Author born in	Midwest USA
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In the Dark

An absolutely unputdownable, dark and steamy billionaire romance

Shain Rose

Keynote

Book two in a brand new series from the USA Today bestselling author Shain Rose. Follow up to *Behind Closed Doors*.

Description

Welcome to Paradise Grove, a luxurious, ultra-private billionaire enclave - where the stakes are high, and the secrets are buried deep. Perfect for fans of L.J. Shen, Rina Kent and Ana Huang.

He was only supposed to be a secret fling.

A forbidden kiss stolen in the dark . . . Not the cold-blooded monster who betrayed me.

Callahan Knight is the Diamond Syndicate's perfect weapon with honed muscles, lethal control, and merciless loyalty. Even when taking out a rival cartel's capo-my uncle-he doesn't flinch. He shatters my family without hesitation, and I swear I'll never forgive him for that.

But the Syndicate doesn't care about my hatred. To secure their power, they demand more: a vow of marriage or watch everything we love get destroyed.

Now I'm the unwilling bride living in the luxurious prison of Paradise Grove with the man I refuse to call my soon-to-be husband. Instead, he's the villain. Enemy number one. My tormentor . . .

But also maybe my undoing.

Because when he looks at me with the same fire we once shared, I can't decide if I want to kill him . . . or kiss him.

Yet, I refuse to be distracted by his touch or piercing gaze. Instead, I'll play the part, wear the ring, and say my vows all while I dig for his greatest weakness.

Because he may be the Syndicate's deadliest weapon - but I'm just as lethal as the monster I have to marry.

Sales Points

- **BOOK TWO IN A BRAND NEW SERIES:** follow up to *Behind Closed Doors*. Tropes include nanny/boss, single dad, possessive billionaire, alpha, opposites attract, tortured hero/heroine, romantic suspense, secret society, and steam!
- **AUTHOR WITH HUGE GLOBAL PROFILE:** with 110k+ subscribers to her newsletter, 70k+ followers on Instagram, 92k+ followers on Facebook, and 70k+ followers on Tiktok. She is an author of colour and champions other writers a huge amount in this space, too.
- **HUGE GLOBAL MARKETING CAMPAIGN:** The title will be sold in the US, will be sharing plans for a global release and strategy.
- **#1 KINDLE BESTSELLER** numerous times in the US, Australia, and the UK.

Author Biography

Shain Rose is a USA Today and #1 Amazon bestselling author. She writes romance filled with angst, steam, and emotional rollercoasters that lead to happily ever afters. She lives where the weather is always changing with a family that she hopes will never change. When she isn't writing, she's reading and loving life.

Market

For fans of L.J. Shen and Ana Huang.

Publication date	Tuesday, September 29, 2026
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Main Identifier	9781399749800
Thema 1.6	Modern and Contemporary romance (FRD) Romance (FR) Dark romance (FRV) Sports fiction (FG)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	368 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Series	Paradise Grove
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Book locale	UA
Author born in	USA
Author living in	Milwaukee, USA

Previous Titles

Between Desire and Denial
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Between Commitment and Betrayal
Between Never and Forever

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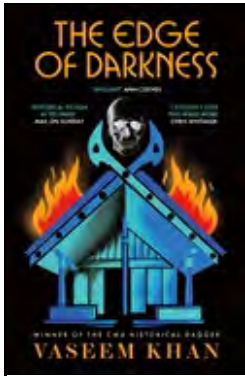


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Thema 1.6	Crime and / or mystery fiction (FF) Thriller / suspense fiction (FH) Historical fiction (FV)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	336 pages
Word Count	
Series	The Malabar House Series
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can

Book locale	Nagaland, India
Author born in	London
Author living in	London

1st Serial	refer to publisher
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The Edge of Darkness

the warm, witty and utterly addictive cozy mystery with a brilliant female sleuth

Vaseem Khan

Keynote

The sixth rip-roaring thriller in the award-winning Malabar House novels and a perfect entry point to the series.

Description

India, 1951. After wilfully ignoring orders from her superiors, Persis Wadia, India's first female police detective, has been exiled from Bombay to the wild and mountainous state of Nagaland. As India's first post-Independence election looms, and tensions rise across the country, Persis finds herself banished to the Victoria Hotel, a crumbling colonial-era relic, her career in ruins.

But when a prominent local politician is murdered in his locked room at the Victoria Hotel, his head missing - a case appears quite literally on her doorstep. As the political situation threatens to explode into all-out havoc, Persis has only days to stop a killer operating at the very edge of darkness...

The sixth rip-roaring thriller in the award-winning Malabar House novels and a perfect entry point to the series.

Sales Points

- **HIGHLY ACCLAIMED SERIES:** the Malabar House books have gained a loyal readership and sales are growing book on book.
- **AWARD-WINNING WRITER:** *Midnight at Malabar House* won the CWA Historical Dagger and was shortlisted for the Theakston's Old Peculier Award. *The Lost Man of Bombay* was shortlisted for Capital Crime's Fingerprint Awards.
- **BRAND EXTENSION:** In 2025, Vas is publishing a standalone contemporary psychological suspense novel called *The Girl in Cell A* and is publishing a new series of Bond novels called the Q Mysteries with Bonnier Books.

Reviews

- 'Historical fiction at its finest' - *Mail on Sunday*
- 'Brilliant!' - Ann Cleeves
- 'Vaseem Khan writes with charm and wit, and an eye for detail that transports the reader entirely. I couldn't love this series more' - Chris Whitaker
- 'Persis is a brilliant creation and this is historical fiction at its finest' - *Daily Mirror*

Author Biography

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

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

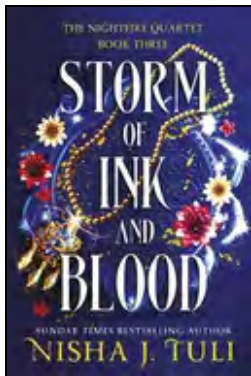
Vaseem has won numerous awards for his work, including, most recently, the Fingerprint Award for Historical Crime Novel of the Year for *City of Destruction*, the fifth in the Malabar House series. Vaseem is also the author of *The Girl in Cell A*, a psychological thriller set in small town America,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

Market

For fans of Slow Horses



Jacket
Coming Soon



Storm of Ink and Blood

A steamy and absolutely gripping fantasy romance

Nisha J. Tuli

Keynote

A complete romantasy series from the bestselling author of *Trial of the Sun Queen*. The Nightfire Quartet is perfect for fans of *A Court of Thorns and Roses*, *Fourth Wing* and *The Serpent and the Wings of Night*. Enter a glittering new world inspired by Indian mythology and prepare to discover your new obsession.

Description

Dark magic courses through Zarya's veins-magic that could save countless lives... or doom her world.

Shattered by Rabin's betrayal, Zarya vows to leave all thoughts of him behind. In the dangerous city of Ishaan, she joins a new struggle for freedom.

The nobles and scholars of Ishaan live in luxury. But thousands of vanshaj workers are born into magical slavery-in punishment for a crime forgotten centuries ago.

Zarya is outraged, and certain that the fate of the vanshaj is linked to her own magic. With Yasen at her side, she throws herself into the fight.

On a deadly raid, Zarya uncovers the key to freeing the vanshaj...

But only one person can teach her to use it without tearing herself apart. The man who ignited her magic. Who brings her more pleasure and more pain than any other. The last person she wants to see right now. Rabin.

Sales Points

- A steamy and irresistible fantasy romance inspired by Indian mythology from the author of global bestseller and TikTok sensation *Trial of the Sun Queen*.
- Zarya is a brilliantly fiery main character, and her world is shown in lush detail - the archways, carvings, the embroidered clothes, the food!
- Beginning with slow-burn romance and a love triangle, the series becomes a spicy and epic dragon shifter romance.
- Packed with crowd-pleasing romantasy tropes: enemies-to-lovers, hidden princess, fated mates, touch her and die...
- Stunning special editions will be all over social media in 2026.

Reviews

- **'OUTSTANDING!!... Truly phenomenal... The SPICE was SIZZLING HOT!!!... I was obsessed... Completely hooked by the story/plot from the beginning and could not put this book down.'** - *Real reader review, 5 stars*
- **'Blew me away... I devoured this in mere hours... Absolutely everything I look for in a romantasy. Five stars. No notes... FLAWLESS. IN LOVE. UGH. OBSESSED.'** - *Real reader review, 5 stars*
- **'I kept turning the pages long after I should've been asleep... Holy guacamole... Keeps us on the edge of our seat.'** - *Real reader review, 5 stars*

Author Biography

Nisha J. Tuli is a Canadian romance author whose books feature kick-ass heroines, swoony love interests, and slow burns with plenty of heat. She loves to draw upon her Indian heritage to bring her stories to life, weaving together vibrant and compelling characters, settings, and plotlines.

Market

Sarah J. Maas, Carissa Broadbent, and Rebecca Yarros.

Publication date	Thursday, September 10, 2026
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Main Identifier	9781836189077
Thema 1.6	Fantasy romance / Romantic fantasy (FMR) Dark romance (FRV) Fantasy (FM) Historical fantasy (FMH) Romance (FR)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	496 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Africa; ANZ; EU; Ind; Ire; M East; UK
Not for Sale	Asia (ex Ind); Can; Carib; Cent & S Am; USA
Book locale	Fantasy setting
Author living in	Manitoba, Canada

Publishing History

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Coming Soon



Queen of Shadows and Ruin

A spicy and thrilling fantasy romance

Nisha J. Tuli

Keynote

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Description

Zarya must become the darkness...

Dark magic is spreading and Zarya knows that only she can save her world from annihilation.

In a palace of black marble, she finally meets her father-the mysterious Raja Abishek. She needs his help, but she's wary. For years she was told to fear this man, that he seeks to steal her power.

Rabin is sure that Abishek is their ally. And when the magic binding Zarya and Rabin begins to fail, only Abishek can offer a cure. Does Zarya dare to place their lives in his hands? Can she hesitate, when Rabin could be torn from her forever?

In a ruined and long forgotten city, her love for Rabin will be tested to its limits. An army of shadows is on the march, destroying everything in its path. **It's time for Zarya to face the darkness inside her-and release its devastating power.**

Sales Points

- A steamy and irresistible fantasy romance inspired by Indian mythology from the author of global bestseller and TikTok sensation *Trial of the Sun Queen*.
- Zarya is a brilliantly fiery main character, and her world is shown in lush detail - the archways, carvings, the embroidered clothes, the food!
- Beginning with slow-burn romance and a love triangle, the series becomes a spicy and epic dragon shifter romance.
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- Stunning special editions will be all over social media in 2026.

Reviews

- 'Phenomenal!!!!... Spicy, **addictive**... I highly recommend... You will not be able to put this book down... A thrilling, emotional rollercoaster... **Will have you hooked.**' - *Real reader review, 5 stars*
- 'Heart-pounding... Edge-of-your-seat tension from start to finish... An **absolute must-read!** A thrilling, **fast-paced** ride... **Impossible to put down.**' - *Real reader review, 5 stars*
- 'Oh. My. God... I absolutely devoured this.' - *Real reader review, 5 stars*

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Market

A Court of Thorns and Roses, Fourth Wing and The Serpent and the Wings of Night.

Publication date	Thursday, September 10, 2026
Price	£10.99 / ₹699
Main Identifier	9781836189084
Thema 1.6	Fantasy romance / Romantic fantasy (FMR) Dark romance (FRV) Fantasy (FM) Historical fantasy (FMH) Romance (FR)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	528 pages
Word Count	
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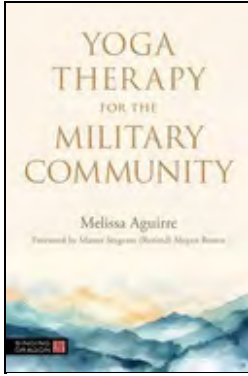
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Publication date	Monday, September 21, 2026
Price	£24.99 / ₹799
Main Identifier	9781399827492
Thema 1.6	Yoga for exercise (VFMG1) Military forces and sectors (JWC)

Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	229x152 (6x9")
Extent	288 pages
Word Count	87858 words
Illustrations	40 b&w illustrations, to be handled by typesetter
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None

Book locale	N/A
Author born in	N/A
Author living in	Texas

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Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
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Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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Yoga Therapy for the Military Community

Melissa Aguirre

Keynote

A guide to creating and delivering yoga therapy and yoga teaching in the specialist setting of the military and to veterans.

Description

Studies show that yoga is incredibly beneficial to improving mental health, tactical readiness and overall wellbeing in military communities. Yet, there is little guidance for yoga teachers on how to adapt their practice for the military and other tactical settings. In this book, leading expert in the field Melissa Aguirre provides guidance on how to communicate timeless yogic teachings in a way these communities can relate to.

Yoga teacher, consultant and military spouse herself, Aguirre focusses on interacting with active service members and their families in part one, and on teaching yoga to veterans in part two.

With expertise from over a decade of advocating for yoga implementation in tactical settings, and delivering yoga to the military community, Aguirre presents an essential manual for yoga teachers and therapists seeking to bring their work into unconventional settings.

Sales Points

- **Unique:** despite much research supporting the effectiveness of yoga for improving mental health and tactical readiness in military personnel, there are almost no books guiding yoga teachers on how to engage with this community
- **Expertise:** Melissa Aguirre is a leading subject matter expert in implementing yoga in military settings, has taught thousands of service members yoga and mindfulness, and has over a decade of experience with this community.
- **Comprehensive:** offers guidance on working with active service members, their families, and veterans.

Author Biography

Melissa Aguirre is a C-IAYT yoga therapist, E-RYT 500 yoga teacher and leading expert and consultant on yoga adoption in the military community. To learn more about Melissa Aguirre, visit www.melmarieyoga.com.

Market

Yoga therapists and teachers who desire to work with active military, veterans and military families. Teachers who struggle with bringing their work into environments where there may be access barriers for people to begin or implement.



High Energy Unpleasant FROM THE AUTHOR OF STRONG FEMALE CHARACTER

Fern Brady

Keynote

Fern Brady's debut novel explores bodily autonomy, medical misogyny and the repercussions of what happens when your internal world is suffocated - from the author of *Strong Female Character*

Description

Meet Mary. Mary has an illness no doctor seems able or willing to name. On top of that she's preoccupied with the idea there's a secret room in her house that she can't gain access to...

She realises she must do three things immediately:

1. Leave her home
2. Leave her husband
3. Take psilocybin

From the author of *Strong Female Character*, Fern Brady's debut novel explores bodily autonomy, medical misogyny and the repercussions of what happens when your internal world is suffocated.

Sales Points

- **FROM SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR** of *Strong Female Character* comes Fern's first venture into fiction exploring bodily autonomy and medical misogyny.
- **BRAZEN'S SUPERLEAD 2026 FICTION TITLE:** *Strong Female Character* has sold **203.8k copies** across all editions and we have similarly high ambitions for Fern's first novel. The December 2024 announcement of *High Energy Unpleasant* received almost 6K likes on Instagram and hundreds of comments from eager readers.
- **AWARD-WINNING WRITING:** *Strong Female Character* was a **Nero Book Awards Winner** (2023) and a **Non-fiction Books Are My Bag Awards Winner** (2023). It was also selected as a **The Times Books of the Year** (2023) and a Bookshop.org Book of the Month (January 2024), and was shortlisted for Bookshop.org Indie Champions, Amazon Non-Fiction Book of the Year and Goodreads Choice Book of the Year.
- **STRONG AUDIOBOOK SALES:** The audiobook for *Strong Female Character* has been its highest performing edition and sold **72.3k audiobooks** so far. It was selected as **Audiobook of the Year at the Nibbies** (2024), an **Audible Book of the Year** (2023) and an **Apple Best Audiobook** (2023).
- **DEDICATED FOLLOWING AND NETFLIX FEATURE:** She has 281k Instagram followers who are sure to rally behind this book. Her popularity has continued to rise, and this has only been helped by her 2024 Film, *Fern Brady: Autistic Bikini Queen* on Netflix.

Author Biography

Fern Brady is a woman. She is also autistic. She was born in Scotland (no, not Glasgow). She has no presets for being a 'good woman' - she never hated her body or indulged in messy millennial shame. She now lives out of wedlock in London. She has zero children.

Fern's caustic wit, exceptional writing and electric stage craft has made her one of the UK's hottest comedy stars. As seen on *Live from the BBC*, *Live from the Comedy Store*, *The Russell Howard Hour*, and *Live at the Apollo*. She's had viral success with her *BBC Life Lessons* and supported Frankie Boyle and Katherine Ryan on tour. She can currently be seen on *Taskmaster* on Channel 4.

Publication date	Thursday, November 05, 2026
Price	£15.99 / ₹799
Main Identifier	9781840918687
Thema 1.6	Fiction: literary and general non-genre (FB) Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA) Narrative theme: interior life / psychological fiction (FXM) Comedy and stand-up (ATXD)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Demy
Extent	288 pages
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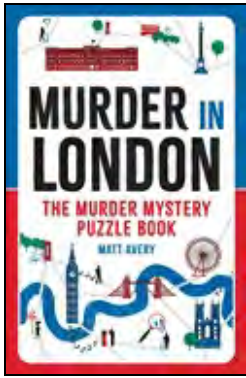
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Murder in London The Murder Mystery Puzzle Book: Solve 100 Killer Logic Puzzles to Crack the Case!

Matt Avery

Description

One epic mystery. 100 fiendish puzzles. Can you solve them all to crack the case? Dive into this murder mystery puzzle book, filled with grid puzzles, code breakers and more!

Grab your pen, sharpen your wits and get ready to channel your inner sleuth!

Join Detective Eye and his faithful assistant Bea as they work their way across London, solving logic puzzles along the way, to catch the killer on the loose in the city before it's too late.

While on the case, you will:

- Put your reasoning to the test with a range of devious grid puzzles
- Crack the code-breaker puzzles to find out whodunnit
- Travel across London by deciphering clues and hidden messages
- Reveal the secret storyline as you go - the answer to each puzzle unlocks the next part of the story...

Sniff out all the clues and don't forget to bring your magnifying glass, because even the tiniest blood splatter could crack this case wide open!

Sales Points

- Murder mystery puzzle books have gained recent popularity for having light-hearted tone, no graphic violence and a focus on detectives solving crimes in charming settings.
- A perfect gift book for those who like an interactive "armchair detective" experience that combines a captivating whodunnit story with engaging puzzle-solving.
- Similar Summersdale titles include: *Inside the Minds of Serial Killers* (ISBN: 9781837996711); *True Crime Stories* (ISBN: 9781837990078); *The True Crime Puzzle Book* (ISBN: 9781837993680); *Lady Killers* (ISBN: 9781837994977).

Author Biography

Matt Avery is a cryptologist, author and a founding member of multi-award-winning murder mystery company *Murdered For Money*, with whom he writes, acts and directs. When he is not murdering or being murdered, he likes to kill time solving puzzles, reading and cycling.

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Thema 1.6	Gift and novelty books / items (WZG) Puzzles and quizzes (WDK) Crime and criminology (JKV)
Binding	Paperback
Format	Demy
Extent	416 pages
Word Count	74000 words
Illustrations	Approx. 50 black and white illustrations
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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The Isle in the Silver Sea

Tasha Suri

Keynote

In a mirror England fuelled by stories, the knight and the enchantress are fated to fall in love and doom each other over and over. But Vina and Simran are looking for a way to break the cycle. From the author of the World Fantasy Award-winning *The Jasmine Throne*, comes a sapphic epic fantasy of medieval myth, romance, and the magic of stories.

Description

From World Fantasy Award-winning author Tasha Suri comes *The Isle in the Silver Sea*, a heart-shattering romantasy of sapphic longing, medieval folklore and a love that spans the centuries.

In a Britain fuelled by stories, the knight and the witch are fated to fall in love and doom each other over and over, the same tale retold over hundreds of lifetimes.

Simran is a witch of the woods. Vina is a knight of the Queen's court. When the two women begin to fall for each other, how can they surrender to their desires, when to give in is to destroy each other?

As they seek a way to break the cycle, a mysterious assassin begins targeting tales like theirs. To survive, the two will need to write a story stronger than the one that fate has given to them.

But what tale is stronger than *The Knight and the Witch*?

'Fiercely tender, wildly imaginative, and deeply smart, *The Isle in the Silver Sea* is an ode to the power of stories themselves--both to shackle us to our destinies, and to free us from them. One of my new all-time favourites' Alix E. Harrow

Sales Points

- A new romantic fantasy from the author of the World Fantasy Award-winning *The Jasmine Throne*
- This fantasy tale taps into the fable and medieval magic of British myth: from Arthuriana to Shakespeare - but through an incredibly zeitgeisty romantic fantasy lens.
- A joint publication with Orbit USA, for maximum global impact and a joined-up campaign
- Our UK publicist will be lining up plenty of events and signings for Tasha around this publication - let us know if you want Tasha to stop at your store!

Reviews

- 'Fiercely tender, wildly imaginative, and deeply smart, *The Isle in the Silver Sea* is an ode to the power of stories themselves--both to shackle us to our destinies, and to free us from them. One of my new all-time favourites' - Alix E. Harrow
- '*The Isle in the Silver Sea* is a magnificent fantasy. Unapologetically queer, fiercely inclusive, and full to the brim with the extraordinary magic of stories, this is truly a masterpiece' - Sangu Mandanna, author of *The Very Secret Society of Irregular Witches*

Author Biography

Tasha Suri is an award-winning author, a writing tutor, an occasional librarian and a cat owner. She has won the Best Newcomer (Sydney J. Bounds) Award from the British Fantasy Society, the Starburst Brave New Words Award, and has been nominated for the Astounding Award and Locus Award for Best Fantasy Novel. Her debut novel *Empire of Sand* was named one of the 100 best fantasy books of all time by *TIME* magazine. When she isn't writing, Tasha likes to cry over TV shows, buy too many notebooks, and indulge her geeky passion for reading about South Asian history. She lives with her family in a mildly haunted house in London.

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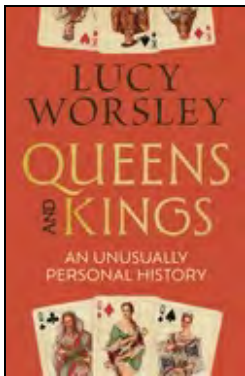
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Queens and Kings An Unusually Personal History

Lucy Worsley

Keynote

Lucy Worsley's enthralling new history of the monarchy told from the unique perspective of her work within the walls of the Tower of London, Kensington Palace and Hampton Court.

Description

When it comes to royal history, Lucy Worsley holds all the cards

Lucy Worsley has lived and breathed royal history for more than twenty years. As Chief Curator of Historic Royal Palaces, she worked in some of Britain's most famous royal sites, from Hampton Court to the Tower of London, and even lived in one of them herself. Now she takes us behind closed doors to reveal some of the monarchy's best-kept secrets.

In *Queens and Kings*, Lucy brings to life the rulers who have shaped Britain over the last thousand years, from Henry VIII and Anne Boleyn to Queen Victoria and Elizabeth II. What emerges is a royal world far stranger, funnier and more surprising than we might think: of intimate love letters, phantom pregnancies, unruly pet monkeys and fatal betrayals. Venturing through haunted staircases and into private bedchambers, she finds the details that make history feel gloriously human.

With her trademark warmth and incisive scholarship, Lucy explores the full splendour, scandal and sorrow of royal life. The result is a wildly engaging history of the monarchy from one of our most beloved historians.

Sales Points

- **HISTORY FROM BEHIND PALACE WALLS:** this is the first time Lucy writes about her work at the royal palaces so has an insider, revelatory feel and content
- **LUCY WORSLEY ON TV:** three new BBC series in 2026: **Lucy Worsley's Victorian Murder Club**, **Lucy Worsley Investigates: The American Revolution** plus **Lucy Worsley's Keys to the Castle** featuring palaces in the UK, France, Germany and Italy.
- **QUEENS & KINGS PROMOTION CAMPAIGN** will run on all Lucy Worsley's social media channels and she will be undertaking a major global PR campaign of interviews, events and appearances.
- **NEW PERSPECTIVES ON THE MONARCHY:** as with Lucy's bestselling biographies of Agatha Christie, Jane Austen and Queen Victoria (and her TV, radio and podcast series) Lucy is on a mission to forefront the women in history, whether they're princesses or scullery maids.
- **Lucy Worsley's AGATHA CHRISTIE** has sold 190k copies across all formats and was a Top 10 bestseller in hardback and paperback as were her biographies of Jane Austen and Queen Victoria

Reviews

- 'What a glorious, glorious book, full of brilliant detail and behind-the-scenes wit and humour. Her scholarship, passion for her subject and deep knowledge is lightly worn - this is history writing at its best. So moreish, I read it in one glorious sitting.' - KATE MOSSE
- 'A history of the British monarchy that only Lucy Worsley could have written: as puckish as it is scholarly, and informed throughout by the experience of having actually lived in a palace.' - TOM HOLLAND
- '*Queens and Kings* is history with a uniquely personal touch. Warm, insightful, and full of heart, Worsley has distilled a lifetime of experience into this crowning achievement of a book.' - HALLIE RUBENHOLD
- 'Lucy Worsley is our National Treasure, the Jewel in our royal crown. In this delightful book she traces the story of our royal dynasties and relives her time at Hampton Court, Kensington Palace and the Tower of London. A real gem.' - A.N. WILSON

Author Biography

Lucy Worsley was Chief Curator of Historic Royal Palaces for twenty years. She has written acclaimed biographies of Jane Austen and Queen Victoria, while her biography of Agatha Christie was a Sunday Times Number One Bestseller. She presents BBC Radio 4's *Lady Killers* and her many TV documentaries include *Lucy Worsley Investigates* and *Killing Sherlock*.

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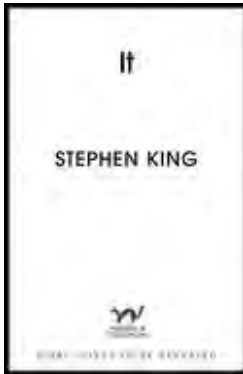
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Thema 1.6	European history (NHD) Biography: royalty (DNBR) Memoirs (DNC)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	400 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	2 x 8pp. colour plate sections
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Main Identifier	9781399761550
Thema 1.6	Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA) Horror, ghost stories and supernatural fiction (FK) Thriller / suspense fiction (FH)

Binding	Hardback
Format	Demy
Extent	1088 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Book locale	US
Author born in	US
Author living in	Maine, US

Previous Titles
Carrie, On Writing, 'Salem's Lot

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

Fortieth Anniversary CLASSIC EDITION with a new introduction

Stephen King

Keynote

A beautiful classic hardback edition of King's famous work to celebrate its fortieth anniversary.

Description

A beautiful classic hardback edition of King's famous work to celebrate its fortieth anniversary.

We all float down here.

Derry, Maine is just an ordinary town: familiar, well-ordered for the most part, a good place to live.

It is a group of children who see - and feel - what makes Derry so horribly different. In the storm drains, in the sewers, IT lurks, taking on the shape of every nightmare, each one's deepest dread. Sometimes IT appears as an evil clown named Pennywise and sometimes IT reaches up, seizing, tearing, killing . . .

Time passes and the children grow up, move away and forget. Until they are called back, once more to confront IT as IT stirs and coils in the sullen depths of their memories, emerging again to make their past nightmares a terrible present reality.

Sales Points

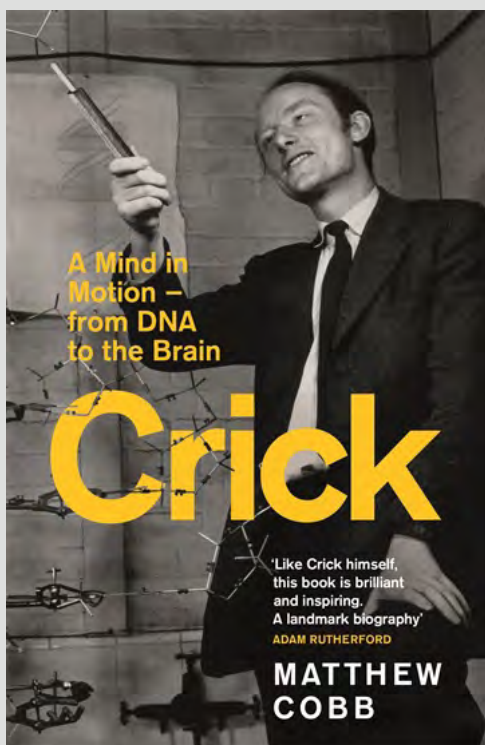
- One of a line of STEPHEN KING hardback CLASSICS for sale through the trade, many of which celebrate landmark anniversaries. The first, *CARRIE*, was a No. 7 *Sunday Times* bestseller in 2024.
- Beautiful editions - two foils directly onto wibalin-cloth.
- The 40th Anniversary of King's famous novel, *IT*, will garner huge reviews and articles across the media.
- *IT* has recently been adapted into two hugely successful feature films, along with a critically acclaimed prequel TV series, *IT: WELCOME TO DERRY*. Adaptations of Stephen King's works continue to smash the box office, with recent films including *THE LIFE OF CHUCK*, *THE LONG WALK* and *THE RUNNING MAN*, once again proving the timelessness of his stories.
- Stephen King's new novels are No. 1 bestsellers - he is the ultimate storyteller of our time.

Author Biography

STEPHEN KING is the author of more than seventy books, all of them worldwide bestsellers. He is the author of many classic bestselling titles, including *Carrie*, *The Shining*, and *IT*, which was adapted into the highest grossing horror film of all time.

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

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



REVIEWS

'Erudite and exciting ... The definitive biography of Francis Crick' - *TLS*

'Magisterial ... Cobb is reliably excellent in maintaining the narrative momentum of a life in science that was anything but mundane ... A gripping and accessible account' - Georgina Ferry, *Nature*

'Impressive ... absorbing ... Cobb writes with clarity and a touch of affection for his subject. His Crick is radical in science and conservative in temperament; deeply irreligious yet moved by poetry; a philanderer who adored his wife. Above all he is insatiably curious - a mind in motion, indeed' - *The Times*

'Full of surprises ... fascinating ... If you are interested in how DNA's structure was discovered and what happened next, this is the book to read' - *New Scientist*

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Crick

A Mind in Motion – from DNA to the Brain

MATTHEW COBB

KEYNOTE

The first major biography of Francis Crick, by the Baillie-Gifford shortlisted author of *The Idea of the Brain*

SALES POINTS

- The definitive story of one of the 20th century's most influential scientists and his breakthroughs, praised in national media BOTYs and prize nominations
- Leading science writer and biographer: Matthew Cobb has been shortlisted for the Baillie Gifford, and his writing continues to receive praise across print and broadcast media
- Cobb's total TCM is over 23k copies, and he is a prominent and well-connected figure in the scientific and biographical communities

DESCRIPTION

AN *ECONOMIST*, *GUARDIAN* AND *CHURCH TIMES* BOOK OF THE YEAR

Winner of the Hatchards First Biography Prize 2025

'The definitive backstory of one of the towering figures of 20th-century science' *Guardian*

'Brilliant and inspiring. A landmark biography' Adam Rutherford

Francis Crick was a restless, relentless thinker, as fascinated by Beat poetry and psychedelics as the genetic meaning of life and the inner workings of the brain. Yet for all his drive, he was galvanised by collaboration: with Jim Watson on DNA, with artists in Cambridge and California, and with his wife Odile, who drew the figure of the double helix that illuminated his most famous discovery. It was his debates and conflicts with these collaborators that powered a mind in motion.

Meticulously researched and shot through with insight and electrifying detail, Matthew Cobb reveals the man who changed our view of life forever. *Crick* is the first major biography of one of the twentieth century's most exciting minds.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Matthew Cobb is Professor of Zoology at the University of Manchester. The presenter of the BBC radio series *Genetic Dreams*, *Genetic Nightmares*, his previous books include *The Idea of the Brain: A History*, which was shortlisted for the Baillie Gifford, and *The Genetic Age*, a *Sunday Times* Book of the Year.

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The Owl Witch

Myriam Dahman and Nicolas Digard (Illustrated By Júlia Sardà)

Keynote

A bewitching modern fairy tale about truth, overcoming evil and the power of friendship.

Description

In a solitary house on a secluded island lives a woman known as the Owl Witch who longs for companionship.

One evening, a traveller called Noor arrives with a mysterious invitation from her master, Blackink Baldassare, a devilish force who rules the depths of the sea.

Can the Owl Witch outsmart the wily Blackink and help Noor to regain her freedom?

A richly atmospheric gift of a book about courage and empowerment, from the award-winning creators of The Wolf's Secret and Leina and the Lord of the Toadstools, illustrated by the internationally acclaimed artist Júlia Sardà.

Sales Points

- *The Wolf's Secret* won the 4-11 Picture Book Awards, Foyles Children's Book of the Year and was nominated for the CILIP Kate Greenaway Medal
- With strong themes of bravery, honesty and friendship
- A sumptuous hardback gift book with foil detail, stunningly illustrated by internationally acclaimed artist Júlia Sardà

Author Biography

Myriam Dahman (Author)

Myriam Dahman was born and raised in Morocco and moved to France, aged 18, to study. Since then, she's lived in Barcelona, Shanghai, New York and the Caribbean. She now lives in Paris, where she works as a climate change expert while also writing children's books. She's published several children's books in France including *Ma Maison a le Hoquet*, *Le Barbare en Collants Jaunes* and *Tout Pour Devenir une Sorcière*.

Nicolas Digard (Author)

Born in Paris in 1980, **Nicolas Digard** began writing in 2006 as a scriptwriter for animated television series. He has written more than 60 episodes on series including *Angelo Rules*, *The Jungle Bunch to the Rescue*, *Super 4* and *Gawayn*. He published his first historical novel *Les Loups De Sherwood* (The Sherwood Wolves), in 2014. He wrote the first seven books in the bestselling children's series *Frigiel & Fluffy*, and is the author of *Slurp!*, and *Le Manchot Qui Avait Marre D'être Pris Pour Un Pingouin*. Nicolas is currently working on a new animated series and a historical series for television, and is writing his second historical novel. He is a strong advocate for authors' rights.

Júlia Sardà (Illustrator)

Julia Sarda is a freelance illustrator from Barcelona. She began her studies at the Fine Arts University of Barcelona, but then switched to a graphic arts course at an illustration school to focus more on her technique and to prepare herself for an illustration career. She worked as a colorist in a studio making editorial merchandise for Disney and Disney Pixar. Two years later she bravely set off on her own as a freelance illustrator. She began working on concept art for video games where she honed her own style and developed her vision. Now she works mostly in children's illustration and has had the pleasure of illustrating some of her favourite classics including *Alice in Wonderland*, *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* and *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*.

Her work can be viewed at:

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Publication date	Thursday, September 10, 2026
Price	£8.99 / ₹799
Main Identifier	9781408371640
Thema 1.6	Picture storybooks (YBCS) Children's / Teenage general interest: Witches, wizards and magicians (YNXW) 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	270x210
Extent	48 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

The Wolf's Secret
Leina and the Lord of the Toadstools

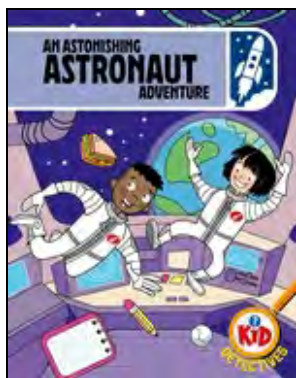
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Kid Detectives: An Astonishing Astronaut Adventure

Adam Bushnell (Illustrated By John Haslam)

Keynote

Join a group of four kid detectives and help them find out about STEM while developing problem solving, observation and deduction, and investigating skills

Description

Join a group of four kid detectives and help them find out about STEM while developing problem solving, observation and deduction, and investigation skills.

Our Kid Detectives Isla, Farah, Sam and Mohammad are at Space Camp and following a group of astronauts in training. Unfortunately their lead astronaut keeps experiencing some problems with her equipment and activities. She's the top in her class - what could be causing such trouble now?

Join the Detective gang as they attempt to work out the issues at Space Camp. Can they save the day?

Features interactive elements, such as:

- Looking for clues in the illustrations
- Comparing your weight on different planets
- Spot the difference between two astronaut suits
- Gathering crucial information from information panels about gravity, famous space missions and spacecraft

Through interactive adventures that combine facts, brain-teasing puzzles and lively illustrations, this series impart STEM knowledge in an original way to inspire a love of the subject. The story in each book will have the reader solving puzzles, finding clues, cracking secret codes and uncovering mysteries.

Perfect for aspiring detectives aged 7+.

Sales Points

- Illustrated, story-based approach engages the reader and makes the educational content both accessible and fun
- The series explores high interest STEM topics with key facts alongside the adventures of four kid detectives
- Includes interactive elements that encourage the reader to play detective and quiz questions to embed knowledge

Author Biography

Adam Bushnell (Author)

Adam is a former teacher who turned his hand to writing full time in 2007. He has written both adult teaching guides and children's fiction books and is often touring schools and libraries and running creative writing sessions. He lives in Durham.

John Haslam (Illustrator)

John Haslam has been working as an illustrator for most of his professional life. John worked in advertising for 10 years and worked on various projects including TV storyboards, to illustrating for all kinds of accounts from Pritt Stick (the Pritt Stick Man was his invention), to comic pages such as Danger Mouse, Disney and Transformers.

Publication date	Thursday, September 24, 2026
Price	£7.99 / ₹599
Main Identifier	9781526330321
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Science and technology (YNT) Children's / Teenage fiction: Crime and mystery fiction (YFCF) 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	Paperback
Format	210x165
Depth	10mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Kid Detectives
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

9781526330253 Kid Detectives: The Dizzying Skyscraper Discovery
 9781526330284 Kid Detectives: The Hair-raising Rollercoaster Mystery
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Horowitz Horror Graphic Novel Collection

Anthony Horowitz

Keynote

Horror fans aged 10+ will love these four sinister graphic novels to keep them up at night, from the bestselling author of the Alex Rider series, Anthony Horowitz.

Description

Horror fans aged 10+ will love these four sinister graphic novels to keep them up at night, from the bestselling author of the Alex Rider series, Anthony Horowitz.

READ AT YOUR OWN RISK.

The Phone Goes Dead

Calls from beyond the grave haunt David's every waking moment . . .

Scared

As animals attack and the trees close in, Gary realises he's not just lost in the dark. He's being hunted . . .

The Hitchhiker

Trapped in a car with a killer, Jacob must decide who will survive the night . . .

Killer Camera

Matt must save his family before a cursed camera flash unleashes untold horror . . .

Sales Points

- Quick-win drop in for Halloween 2026 reformatting existing content
- Only horror title on the list for this age range in Q3 2026
- World rights so opportunity for Rights to take back to market and possible co-eds
- Delivers on spooky, suspenseful, stories perfectly 10+ scare fans
- First published before the UK Graphic Novel market took off but now fills gap in that market

Publication date	Thursday, September 24, 2026
Price	£12.99 / ₹899
Main Identifier	9781510114531
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage fiction: Horror and ghost stories, chillers, or other scary supernatural stories (YFD) Children's / Teenage general interest: Supernatural and mythological creatures (YNXB) Children's / Teenage general interest: Zombies, ghosts and the undead (YNXB3) Hallowe'en / Halloween (5HCP)
CBMC	D3N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	229x151
Extent	192 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

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DreamWorks Gabby's Dollhouse: The Cupcake Tree

Official Gabby's Dollhouse

Keynote

Grab your kitty ears and join Gabby, Pandi Paws and all their cat-tastic friends for another meow-mazing adventure in Gabby's Dollhouse!

This is an official book, based on an episode from the smash-hit Netflix series.

Description

Climb to the top of the cupcake tree in this 24-page storybook based on the cat-tastic Netflix show *DreamWorks Gabby's Dollhouse*!

Gabby's dollhouse delivery today is a tiny cupcake tree! Cakey Cat shows her how to take care of it. But when CatRat sneakily feeds the plant extra honey, the tree grows up and out of the Dollhouse - with CatRat on top! Can Gabby and the other Gabby Cats complete the steps to shrink the tree and save CatRat?

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Sales Points

- **Gabby's Dollhouse is a top-tier preschool franchise with massive global reach.**
The series streams in **190+ countries** and consistently ranks among **Netflix's top preschool titles.** Cross-platform presence (YouTube, games, toys, live events) ensures **constant brand visibility**, driving strong demand for licensed publishing.
- **Story taps into show's strongest themes: creativity, kindness and imaginative play.**
Episodes featuring baking, crafting and Gabby's signature 'cat-tastic' positivity are among the **most-watched** and **most-shared**.
- **Franchise audience is highly engaged and collectible-driven.**
- **Features bright, full-colour episode stills.**

Author Biography

DreamWorks' **Gabby's Dollhouse** is a top-rated Netflix preschool show full of imagination, kindness and friendship. Gabby uses her kitty ears to get tiny and join her friends on a-meow-zing adventures in the dollhouse.

Publication date **Thursday, September 10, 2026**

Price **£8.99 / ₹599**

Main Identifier **9781408377222**

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

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

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

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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Ink and Shadows

A gripping YA thriller set within a university's secret occult society

Lauren Willmore

Keynote

Step into the hallowed halls of St Augustines where dark secrets lurk behind every door. A sumptuously gothic YA murder mystery set within a university's secret occult society.

Description

"Magical dark academia with a gothic, murderous twist? Take my money! *Ink and Shadows* is the campus book every witchy reader will want on their shelf." - Melissa Welliver, author of *To The Death*.

All students offered a place at St Augustines University will get an elite education, but only a chosen few will be invited to join The Society of Ink and Shadows: the elusive group dedicated to practising the occult arts.

Having struggled to fit into university life, Eve is overjoyed when this invitation is extended her way. But when a fellow society member is maliciously attacked, setting off a series of deadly incidents across the campus, she soon learns that there's a price to pay for being part of such an exclusive circle.

As society members are picked off one by one, Eve must race to unmask the killer before she becomes the next victim. But can she trust her new friends, or is there a traitor among them?

"Buried secrets, chilling murders and twists that keep you racing to the last page. Couldn't ask for more!" - P.C. Roscoe, author of *How The Other Half Die*.

"Simultaneously cosy and absolutely chilling. This should be required reading for spooky season." - Felicity Epps, author of *A Grave Inheritance*.

Sales Points

- Classic murder mystery tapping in to dark academia and witchy trends
- Perfect for fans of *The Chilling Adventures of Sabrina* and *The Traitors*
- Debut author with an accessible, commercial voice

Reviews

- 'I loved this so much! Buried secrets, chilling murders and twists that keep you racing all the way to the last page. Couldn't ask for more!' - P.C. Roscoe, author of *How The Other Half Die*

Author Biography

Lauren Willmore studied Illustration for Children's Publishing at the North Wales School of Art before moving into writing. Alongside writing novels, Lauren also works with her husband to co-create graphic novels and has collated an anthology to raise money for the Comic Book Alliance. She lives in Northamptonshire with her husband, her two sons and their cat-dog chihuahua Nash. When not writing, Lauren also enjoys archery and baking elaborate cakes.

Publication date	Thursday, September 10, 2026
Price	£9.99 / ₹699
Main Identifier	9781444984217
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage fiction: Thrillers / suspense (YFCB) Children's / Teenage fiction: Horror and ghost stories, chillers, or other scary supernatural stories (YFD) Children's / Teenage fiction: Dark fantasy (YFHT) Children's / Teenage general interest: Mysteries and the unexplained (YNX) Interest age: from c 16 years (SAT)

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	352 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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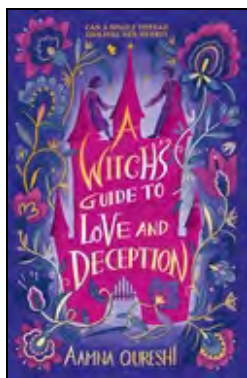
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A Witch's Guide to Love and Deception **A cosy YA fantasy from the author of *The Baby Dragon Cafe***

Aamna Qureshi

Keynote

Another charming and romantic cosy YA fantasy from the author of *A Witch's Guide to Love and Poison* and *The Baby Dragon Cafe*, Aamna Qureshi.

Description

Another charming and romantic cosy YA fantasy from the author of *A Witch's Guide to Love and Poison* and *The Baby Dragon Cafe*, Aamna Qureshi.

Unlike her brothers, Sonya was not made for the crown. Born without magic and often disregarded, she decides to run away from the castle and leave her old life behind.

Having never left the castle grounds, it isn't long before she finds herself in trouble and a handsome stranger comes to her rescue. Azam, a 'stitch-witch', offers her a place to stay in his cosy cottage where he lives with his grandmother and little sister.

Sonya falls in love with her new life and the little cottage where she is free to be herself.

But news of the missing princess soon spreads, and when Sonya's new life is threatened, she must decide who she can trust...

Perfect for fans of:

- will-they-wont-they romance
- cottagecore with a Pakistani twist
- found family
- gorgeous outfits!

Sales Points

- A rich and beautiful tale of magic, romance and found family that taps into the beloved cosy fantasy trope
- Aamna Qureshi is an award-winning author at the cusp of her big break! She's passionate, creative and has built a platform and cult following of dedicated readers
- There is growing appetite for diverse cosy YA fantasy, especially in the BookTok and book influencer space

Author Biography

Aamna Qureshi is a Pakistani, Muslim American who adores words. She is the award-winning author of YA fantasy novel, *The Lady or the Lion*. She grew up on Long Island, New York, in a very loud household, surrounded by English (for school), Urdu (for conversation), and Punjabi (for emotion). Much of her childhood was spent being grounded for reading past her bed-time, writing stories in the backs of her notebooks, and being scolded by teachers for passing chapters under the tables. Through her writing, she wishes to inspire a love for the beautiful country and rich culture that informed much of her identity.

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Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage fiction: Fantasy romance (YFHR) Children's / Teenage fiction: Magical realism / Magical fantasy (YFHD) Interest age: from c 12 years (5AN)
CBMC	E3N79
Age	12+ years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding Format	Paperback B Format
Extent	304 pages
Word Count	
Series	A Witch's Guide
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can

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The Guardians of Dreamdark: Silksinger

Sequel to the thrilling faerie fantasy from the author of Daughter of Smoke and Bone

Laini Taylor

Keynote

Step into the world of Dreamdark, a place of bright magic and unimagined danger... The second book in an immersive fantasy duology from *Sunday Times* bestselling author Laini Taylor.

Description

Second in an immersive fantasy duology from the *Sunday Times* and *New York Times* bestselling author of THE DAUGHTER OF SMOKE AND BONE and STRANGE THE DREAMER, Laini Taylor.

Whisper Silksinger is the last of the secret guardians of the Azazel, one of the powerful Djinn who dreamed the world into being. Relentlessly pursued by bloodthirsty devils, she flees to the city of Nazneen to restore the Azazel to his temple. At the same time, Hirik Mothmage is also on a secret quest, to find the Azazel and restore his disgraced clan's ancient honour.

And behind them all flies Magpie Windwitch, first champion of the new age of faeries, desperate to rescue Whisper and the Azazel alike before they fall in the clutches of a sinister hidden enemy.

Praise for Book 1, The Guardians of Dreamdark - Windwitch:
"Laini Taylor's faeries are whimsical and tiny but fierce. This book was so much fun." Holly Black, author of *The Folk of the Air* series

*** NO STEAMY CONTENT - SUITABLE FOR ALL READERS ***

Sales Points

- Laini Taylor is the *Sunday Times* and *New York Times* bestselling author of YA/crossover titles such as THE DAUGHTER OF SMOKE AND BONE and STRANGE THE DREAMER - her total UK sales are over a million copies across all formats.
- Windwitch and Silksinger are Laini's youngest offering to date. They are suitable for the youngest end of YA with no inappropriate content, but also rich and complex and can be enjoyed by Laini's older fans.

Author Biography

Laini Taylor is a *Sunday Times* bestselling and award-winning writer. She lives in Portland, Oregon, USA, with her husband and daughter.

Publication date	Tuesday, September 01, 2026
Price	£14.99 / ₹999
Main Identifier	9781444985306
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage fiction: Fantasy (YFH) Children's / Teenage general interest: Witches, wizards and magicians (YNXW) Children's / Teenage general interest: Fairies, elves, or similar magic-like beings or folk (YNXB4) Children's / Teenage personal and social topics: Friends and friendships (YXHB) 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 Format	Trade Paperback Royal
Extent	368 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; EU; Ire; SA
Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA
Author living in	Oregon, 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



J. Algernon Pickle in The Mystery at Odd-Doings House

Alex T. Smith

Keynote

Imagine if Hercule Poirot was a beaver... A fast-paced crime caper for readers aged 7+ with black and white illustrations.

Description

Imagine if Hercule Poirot was a beaver... A fast-paced crime caper for readers aged 7+ with black and white illustrations.

Ten-year-old Jacob Oolong lives with his eccentric great aunt, Lady Petronella Oolong in the penthouse flat of Odd-Doings House.

They arrive home one afternoon to find an enormous heart shaped box of delicious chocolates has arrived for Lady Oolong. And these aren't any old chocolates though. These are from Eclair's (Est. 1844) and are the most wonderful and the most expensive chocolates in the entire world.

But the next morning - SHOCK HORROR! - they've vanished! Not just gone... STOLEN!

With his great aunt prostrate in her nightie with shock, it's up to Jacob to find out who has taken them, but he'll need help. He calls in a private detective who, rather surprisingly, is a beaver living on the floor below them. Enter... J. Algernon Pickle.

Together, J. Algernon Pickle and Jacob set about investigating this very confusing mystery. Things take an unexpected turn when it becomes clear that the chocolates could only have been stolen by someone who lives in Odd-Doings House. But WHO could it be?

Sales Points

- A funny, irreverent, larger-than-life mystery for 7-9 readers, with 25 black and white illustrations.
- Book 2 will be coming in September 2027.
- From the bestselling creator of CLAUDE.
- Among other accolades, CLAUDE won the 5-9 young fiction Sainsbury's Children's Book Award and was selected for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize and the Richard and Judy Book Club.

Author Biography

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

Publication date **Thursday, September 10, 2026**

Price **£7.99 / ₹599**

Main Identifier **9781444985672**

Thema 1.6 **Children's / Teenage fiction: Crime and mystery fiction (YFCF) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ) Interest age: from c 8 years (5AJ) Children's / Teenage fiction: Humorous stories (YFQ)**

CBMC **C3N79**

Age **7-9 years**

Subject **Fiction**
Type **Ordinary Printed Book Format**

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

Binding **Paperback**

Format **B Format**

Extent **272 pages**

Word Count

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

Not for Sale **Can; USA**

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Publication date	Thursday, September 24, 2026
Price	£7.99 / ₹499
Main Identifier	9781444981155
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage fiction: Crime and mystery fiction (YFCF) Children's / Teenage fiction: Interactive adventure stories (YFCA) Children's / Teenage general interest: Vampires, werewolves and shapeshifters (YNXB2) Children's / Teenage general interest: Zombies, ghosts and the undead (YNXB3) Children's / Teenage fiction: Comic (humorous) fantasy (YFHK) Children's / Teenage fiction: Friendship stories (YFMF) 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	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding Format	Paperback B Format
Extent	144 pages
Word Count Series	Werelock and Scratch
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Author born in	Essex, UK
Author living in	West Sussex, UK

Werelock and Scratch: Kidnap Most Puzzling Book 3: An interactive detective story for kids aged 7-9

K.R. Thompson (Illustrated By Binny Talib)

Keynote

Can Werelock Howls solve the case? Only if you help him! A fast-paced, hilarious, highly illustrated and interactive third adventure for mystery and puzzle-loving readers aged 7-9. Solve the case as you read - it's Scooby Doo meets Hotel Transylvania!

Description

Calling all mystery fans: The Werelock and Scratch Detective Agency needs you for their third case!

Can you help Werelock - the world's greatest (and only) werewolf detective - and his raven assistant, Scratch, on a daring rescue mission?

With puzzles, clues and riddles to work out, this hilarious, highly illustrated, werewolf-filled take on Sherlock Holmes needs the reader's help to crack the case!

The stakes are higher than ever as the famous werewolf crime writer, Mildred Mystery, has been kidnapped from a locked room! With only a mysterious ransom note as a clue, Werelock and Scratch must embark on a dangerous quest around Gothica City to find her.

Will they be able to get to Mildred before it's too late? Werelock and Scratch can't do it without you, dear reader, and there's no time to lose!

Praise for Book 1:

'A brilliantly fun puzzle-filled mystery!' – Andy Shepherd, author of The Boy Who Grew Dragons

'Packed with mystery, magic and cracking clues, this fang-tastic new series is sure to delight mini-sleuths everywhere.' – Lucy Brandt, author of the Leonora Bolt series

□□□□ **'I loved this book, it is AWESOME!' - Toppsta reviewer, age 8**

□□□□ **'Such a fantastic book . . . I couldn't put it down and didn't want to go to sleep' - Toppsta reviewer, age 8**

□□□□ **'The puzzles made the story really fun and Scratch was my favourite' - Toppsta reviewer, age 7**

□□□□ **'I like how you can solve clues throughout this book' - Toppsta reviewer, age 8**

□□□□ **'I was hooked all the way to the end' - Toppsta reviewer, age 11**

□□□□ **'This book was fun' - Toppsta reviewer, age 7**

Sales Points

- The author is based in the UK and has experience with author events, she's keen to build her grassroots profile
- This is her debut work of young MG fiction
- The high level of illustrations and interactivity are perfect for both reluctant and more experienced readers - allowing us to take advantage of the appetite in the market for funny, illustrated books for puzzle loving 7-9 year olds
- The extent is short and format accessible
- Clue-solving books are a massive trend and this is an incredibly fun and inventive book

Author Biography

K.R. Thompson (Author)

Long ago in the late 1900s, six-year-old K.R. decided that she was destined to do two things: write children's books; and set up a detective agency to solve quirky mysteries. And so began a decades-long adventure, via a much-loved job as a library assistant, a much-less-loved job stuffing envelopes, and a career as a lawyer... until finally, K.R.'s passion for children's books was reignited by the birth of her children. Now, with the creation of the Werelock and Scratch series, K.R. can finally get to work solving the quirkiest of puzzling mysteries in a world completely of her own making.

K.R. Thompson was born in Essex, UK, grew up in South East London and now lives by the sea in West Sussex with her husband, two children, a cheeky cat and the occasional visiting hedgehog. When she isn't dreaming up stories and mysteries, K.R. can most often be found heading out for walks with a coffee in one hand, a reading book in the other, and a pocketful of snacks to nibble along the way.

Binny Talib (Illustrator)

Binny Talib is an award-winning author, Illustrator and surface pattern designer, based in Sydney, Australia. Binny has a whimsical, contemporary style and has illustrated more

Previous Titles

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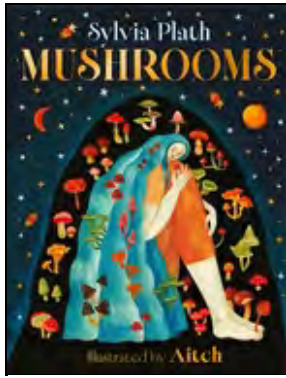
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Mushrooms

A beautiful book from Pulitzer Prize-winner Sylvia Plath

Sylvia Plath (Illustrated By Aitch)

Keynote

Delve deep and discover the timeless words of Pulitzer Prize winner, Sylvia Plath, in this beautifully-illustrated edition of her iconic feminist poem.

Description

*Nudgers and shovers
In spite of ourselves.*

*Our kind multiplies:
We shall by morning
Inherit the earth . . .*

Delve deep into the undergrowth and explore the underfoot world of mushrooms through the breathtaking words of Pulitzer Prize winner, Sylvia Plath. Discover their many colours and hues, their ability to break through any terrain and their determination to not be ignored. In her eyes, it is a world rooted in nature, resilience and womanhood.

With stunning illustrations from artist Aitch, this is a sumptuous book to be adored and treasured.

The perfect gift for lovers of poetry, nature and those who find beauty in the overlooked.

Sales Points

- A richly atmospheric and feminist poem in picture-book form from legendary poet Sylvia Plath, one of the most dynamic and admired poets of the 20th century and winner of the Pulitzer prize.
- Sylvia Plath's work is internationally renowned and has been translated into over 32 languages
- A luxurious hardback gift book, with gold foil details and beautiful illustrations, that will be treasured forever.
- A lyrical, rhythmic and powerful text that was written in 1959 on the cusp of the second-wave feminist movement, with an underlying message about women's struggle for equality, which feels just as relevant now.
- Can also be read and appreciated as a beautiful and lyrical poem about the power of nature and its ability to overcome.

Author Biography

Sylvia Plath (Author)

Sylvia Plath (1932-63) was an American poet born in Massachusetts, USA. She published several poetry collections including *The Colossus*, *Crossing the Water*, *Winter Trees*, *Ariel*, and *The Collected Poems*, which won the Pulitzer Prize. In 1963, Plath's semi-autobiographic novel *The Bell Jar* was published under the pseudonym "Victoria Lucas"; it was reissued in 1966 under her own name. Her work expresses a sense of alienation and self-destruction which strongly resonated with the situation of women in mid-20th-century America. She was married to the poet Ted Hughes, with whom she had a daughter, Frieda, and a son, Nicholas. She died in London in 1963. *Mushrooms* is from her poetry collection *The Colossus* and reflects the struggle women endured for equal rights at the time.

Aitch (Illustrator)

Nomadic Aitch originally hails from Romania but prefers not to put down roots in any one place, new scenery inspires and invigorates her tactile, folky illustrations and a constant string of exhibitions in cities across the continent pushes her technique further. Her dreamy characters hide amongst William Morris-esque gardens and bring to mind a bright and bold reincarnation of Victorian melancholy while still retaining a strong sense of her Romanian heritage.

Publication date	Thursday, September 24, 2026
Price	£16.99 / ₹1299
Main Identifier	9781444975772
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage: Gift and novelty books / items (YZG) Picture storybooks (YBCS) Children's / Teenage: Poetry / poems (YDP) Children's / Teenage fiction: Nature and animal stories (YFP) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ) Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH)

CBMC	C1M79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Poetry & Plays / Songs & Music
Type	Picture Book
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in

Binding	Hardback
Format	250x190
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Publishing History

Author: *The Bell Jar*
Ariel
The Colossus

Illustrator:
Winter Tales
A Poet For Every Day of The Year
The Story of Green River
A Poem For Every Autumn Day

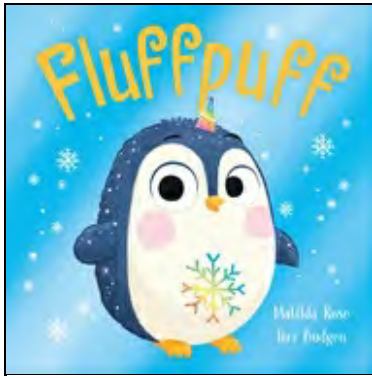
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Thema 1.6	Children's: picture books, activity books, early learning concepts (YB) For National Curriculum Early Years (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACA) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)

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

Binding	Paperback
Format	250x250
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	The Magic Pet Shop
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Pugicorn
Starwhal
La-La-Llama
Pandarina
Pugicorn and the Christmas Wish
Kitticorn
Starpuff
Pugicorn and Hugicorn
Elepop
Dinocorn
Pugicorn and the Rainbow Holiday
Pugicorn and the Chickaboo

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
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Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
US	Refer to Publisher

The Magic Pet Shop: Fluffpuff

Matilda Rose (Illustrated By Tim Budgen)

Keynote

A wintry adventure about a little prince and his magical baby penguin. From the creators of *Pugicorn* comes a fun-filled story that encourages children to try something new.

Description

Meet Fluffpuff. She's a fluffy, fun and snow-loving magical baby penguin.

Meet Prince Arthur. He hates the cold and wants to hide away inside all day. Can Fluffpuff help Arthur to discover the wonderfully warm magic of snow even on the coldest of days?

A sparkling picture book about the importance of trying something new, filled with friendship, fun and winter magic. From the creators of *Pugicorn* and *Kitticorn*.

Pay another visit to The Magic Pet Shop:

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

Sales Points

- From the creators of *Pugicorn* and *Kitticorn* comes another sparkling story full of fun and friendship, set in a fairy tale world
- Encourages children to try new things and get out of their comfort zone
- Features an adorable baby penguin pet with magic rainbow powers
- The sixteenth book in the bestselling *The Magic Pet Shop* series
- *The Magic Pet Shop* series has sold over 1 million copies worldwide

Author Biography

Matilda Rose (Author)

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

Tim Budgen (Illustrator)

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



Art Intros: Meet Impressionism

Susie Brooks (Illustrated By Marcella Tamayo)

Keynote

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

Description

Learn how the invention of photography and paint tubes contributed to the start of this infamous art movement, where the name Impressionism came from, initial reactions from the public and much more in this introduction to Impressionism. Journey from mid-1800s Paris to the end of the movement and the Post Impressionists that followed, meeting key figures such as Claude Monet, Pierre-Auguste Renoir, Berthe Morisot and many more along the way.

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

Sales Points

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

Author Biography

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

Publication date	Thursday, September 24, 2026
Price	£8.99 / ₹799
Main Identifier	9781445183534
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Art and artists (YNA) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-A CF)
CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	250x190
Depth	12mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Art Intros
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Publication date **Thursday, March 04, 2027**
 Price **£6.99 / ₹499**
 Main Identifier **9781839553110**
 Thema 1.6 **Children's / Teenage general interest: Ball games and sports: Association football (Soccer) (YNWD1) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF)**

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

Binding **Paperback**
 Format **B Format**
 Extent **128 pages**
 Word Count
 Series **Football Superstars**
 Exclusively for Sale **World (ex USA, Can)**
 Not for Sale **Can; Carib; Cent & S Am**

Football Superstars: Isak Rules

Simon Mugford (Illustrated By Dan Green)

Keynote

Football Superstars brings you the story of Alexander Isak - Sweden's star striker! From dazzling Premier League goals to international heroics, discover how he's ruling football with skill, flair, and confidence.

Description

Meet Alexander Isak - the Swedish star striker taking the football world by storm! In Football Superstars: Isak Rules, young readers will dive into his journey from underdog teenager to Premier League goal machine and international hero. Packed with action-packed match stories, jaw-dropping stats, inspiring quotes, and fun quizzes, it's a perfect blend of biography and excitement. Learn how Isak's dazzling dribbling, lethal finishing, and team spirit made him a role model for aspiring football fans everywhere.

Sales Points

- The successful *Football Superstars* series presents Alexander Isak's inspiring career in football using Dan Green's action-packed, comic artwork and Simon Mugford's fun storytelling skills - ideal for reluctant readers.
- The narrative is relatable and inspirational for young fans and covers the biggest moments in Isak's career to date, including his early stint at Real Sociedad before making the career defining move to Newcastle, where he became one of the Premier League's top strikers, eventually signing for Liverpool in 2025.
- The Swede hopes to follow the same path of success as Zlatan Ibrahimović, earning a reputation as one of the best strikers in the world.
- Filled with a full array of career stats, which makes the book ideal for young, enthusiastic football fans.

Author Biography

Simon Mugford (Author)

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

Dan Green (Illustrator)

Dan Green has drawn silly pictures since he could hold a crayon. Then he grew up and started making books about stuff like trucks, space, people's jobs, Doctor Who and Star Wars. Dan lives in Suffolk with his wife, son, daughter and dog that takes him for very long walks.

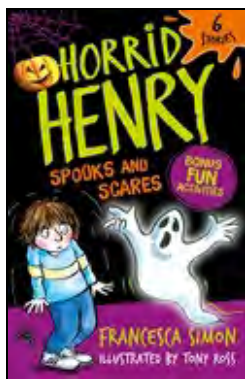
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Horrid Henry: Spooks and Scares

Francesca Simon (Illustrated By Tony Ross)

Keynote

Number One for Fiendish Fun! Join Horrid Henry in another bumper book of mischief.

Perfect for half term holiday reading, SPOOKS AND SCARES contains six of the best Halloween-themed Horrid Henry stories, plus a bonus activity section packed with games and puzzles to keep readers busy.

Description

Number One for Fiendish Fun! Join Horrid Henry in another bumper book of mischief.

Halloween is one of Horrid Henry's favourite times of year, and this collection brings together six of the best spooky and scary (but also hilarious) stories. Featuring zombie vampires, monstrous trick-or-treaters, nightmarish ghouls and much more, it's the perfect Halloween collection for Horrid Henry fans and new readers alike.

An irresistible introduction to reading for pleasure, with six illustrated stories plus a joke and activity section - the perfect gift for Horrid Henry fans everywhere, and ideal entertainment for school holidays and journeys.

This collection contains the following stories:

- Horrid Henry and the Fangmangler
- Horrid Henry and the Revenge of the Bogey Babysitter
- Horrid Henry: Nightmare!
- Horrid Henry's Horrid Weekend
- Horrid Henry: Zombie Vampire
- Horrid Henry: Tricks and Treats

Sales Points

- These bumper themed story collections make a great introduction to the series and are an ideal gift for existing Horrid Henry fans. SPOOKS AND SCARES is published in time for October half term and Halloween promotions
- Total UK sales across the Horrid Henry range are in excess of 30 million copies
- Rights sold in over 30 languages
- Francesca Simon is one of the UK's top-selling children's authors and is also among the Top 10 most borrowed children's authors in UK libraries
- As well as six hilarious stories there's a bonus joke and activity section to keep Horrid Henry fans of all ages entertained for hours - perfect for the school holidays

Author Biography

Francesca Simon (Author)

Francesca Simon MBE spent her childhood on the beach in California and started writing stories at the age of eight. She wrote her first Horrid Henry book in 1994. Horrid Henry has gone on to conquer the globe; his adventures are published in 27 languages and have sold millions of copies worldwide.

Francesca has won the Children's Book of the Year Award and been a judge for the Guardian Children's Fiction Prize and the Roald Dahl Funny Prize. In 2009, in one of the proudest moments of her career, Francesca was awarded a Gold Blue Peter badge. She was appointed MBE in the 2023 New Year Honours.

Francesca is also a passionate ambassador for children's literacy and is a trustee of the World Book Day charity. She lives in North London with her family.

Visit Francesca's website at www.francescasimon.com and keep up-to-date with Horrid Henry at www.horridhenry.co.uk. You can also follow her on Twitter @simon_francesca

Tony Ross (Illustrator)

Tony Ross was born in London and studied at the Liverpool School of Art and Design. He has worked as a cartoonist, a graphic designer, as the Art Director of an advertising agency, and as Senior Lecturer in Art at Manchester Polytechnic.

Tony is one of the most popular and successful children's illustrators of all time, best known for illustrating Horrid Henry and the works of David Walliams. Tony's books have been translated into 40 languages in over 100 countries. He lives in Macclesfield.

Publication date	Thursday, September 10, 2026
Price	£8.99 / ₹599
Main Identifier	9781510113992
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage fiction: Humorous stories (YFQ) Children's / Teenage fiction: Short stories (YFU) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF) Hallowe'en / Halloween (5HCP)
CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
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Binding Format	Paperback B Format
Extent	224 pages
Word Count	
Series	Horrid Henry
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Visit www.horridhenry.co.uk for a complete list of Horrid Henry titles.

Recent story collections include FIENDISH FOES, SUMMER OF DOOM and CHRISTMAS CHAOS.

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Main Identifier	9780349020792
Thema 1.6	Short stories (FYB) Fairy and Folk tales / Fairy tale retellings (FNF) Myths and Legends / Mythic fiction (FNM) Contemporary horror, ghost stories and supernatural fiction (FKM) Traditional or cultural fiction and true stories, tales and retellings (FN)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	304 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can
Book locale	Norfolk, Suffolk, Orkney, North Wales, Galway, West Cornwall, Staffordshire, Yorkshire, London and Somerset
Author born in	various
Author living in	various
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Hag Forgotten Folktales Retold

Daisy Johnson, Eimear McBride, Emma Glass, Kirsty Logan, Natasha Carthew, Mahsuda Snaith, Liv Little, Naomi Booth, Imogen Hermes Gowar, Irenosen Okojie

Keynote

Dark folktales retold for modern times by some of the most exciting women writing today, from Daisy Johnson to Eimear McBride and Irenosen Okojie

Description

'Engaging, modern fables with a feminist tang' *Sunday Times*

DARK, POTENT AND UNCANNY, HAG BURSTS WITH THE UNTOLD STORIES OF OUR ISLES, CAPTURED IN VOICES AS VARIED AS THEY ARE VIVID.

Here are sisters fighting for the love of the same woman, a pregnant archaeologist unearthing impossible bones and lost children following you home. A panther runs through the forests of England and pixies prey upon violent men.

From the islands of Scotland to the coast of Cornwall, the mountains of Galway to the depths of the Fens, these forgotten folktales howl, cackle and sing their way into the 21st century, wildly reimagined by some of the most exciting women writing in Britain and Ireland today.

'A thoroughly original package that has a hint of Angela Carter' *The Times*

'Sharp writing and cleverly done' *Spectator*

Sales Points

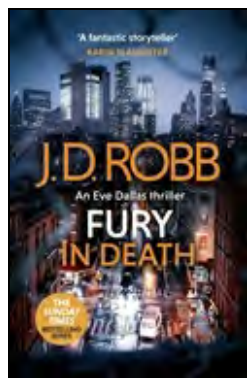
- **STRONG REGIONAL LINKS:** Regional history and voices are at the heart of *Hag*, with stories and authors from Norfolk, Suffolk, Orkney, North Wales, Galway, West Cornwall, Staffordshire, Yorkshire, London and Somerset.
- **HIGH PROFILE AUTHORS:** Daisy Johnson was shortlisted for the Man Booker Prize; Eimear McBride won the Women's Prize; Irenosen Okojie won the Betty Trask Award and the Caine Prize; Liv Little was the editor of *gal-dem*; Natasha Carthew set up the Working Class Writers' Prize; Emma Glass was longlisted for the Dylan Thomas Prize; Imogen Hermes Gowar was shortlisted for the Women's Prize.
- **EXCELLENT FIRST FORMAT SALES:** 15900 hardbacks and 1770 ebooks
- **PROVEN AREA OF THE MARKET FOR VIRAGO:** This follows in the footsteps of other strong sellers including VIRAGO BOOK OF WITCHES (22k sales), WISE WOMEN (16k sales) and FURIES (31k sales)

Reviews

- 'Engaging, modern fables with a feminist tang' - *Sunday Times*
- 'A thoroughly original package that had a hint of Angela Carter' - *The Times T2*
- 'Sharp writing and cleverly done' - *Spectator*
- 'Relevant and intriguing' - *New Statesman*

Author Biography

Together the authors of *Hag* have published over 50 works, with several national bestsellers. They have won awards including the AM Heath Prize for fiction, *Harper's Bazaar* short story prize *Sunday Times* EFG Private Bank Short Story Award, Edge Hill Short Story Prize, Lambda Literary Award, Polari Prize, Saboteur Award, Scott Prize, Gavin Wallace Fellowship, Goldsmith Prize, Women's Prize, SI Leeds Literary Prize, Bristol Short Story Prize, and Betty Trask Award; and they have been nominated for countless others.



Fury In Death: An Eve Dallas thriller (In Death 63)

J. D. Robb

Keynote

From Sunday Times bestselling author JD Robb, the next thrilling instalment in the In Death series

Description

In the new crime thriller from the *Sunday Times* bestselling author, Lt. Eve Dallas journeys into the darkness where murder is born...

NYSPD homicide detective Eve Dallas has seen a lot in her time but even she is shocked by the savagery of a beating which leaves a wealthy biotech executive dead in his home office. The victim's corpse is so mangled and damaged it's hard to believe a lone assailant would be capable of this. The killer is clearly unnaturally strong. Or very, very angry.

While the excessive violence leads Dallas to conclude that this was a deeply personal act, she can't ignore the suspicious bank account in the Cayman Islands, or the shadowy, profit-hungry company Chu worked for. The mystery only grows when it turns out Chu isn't the only victim of this furious killer. Dallas will need to tear through one layer of secrecy after another to reveal the terrible truth behind this series of rage-fuelled murders...

Sales Points

- Eve Dallas is the kind of strong female lead beloved by crime readers: a cop who believes in the valour of protect and serve - and kicks ass doing it
- **Over 75 million copies** of the In Death series have been sold worldwide
- Piatkus has sold over 5 million copies of the In Death series
- The In Death series is a global bestseller, appearing in the bestseller charts in the US, UK, Australia and New Zealand.

Author Biography

Nora Roberts published her first novel using the pseudonym **J.D. Robb** in 1995, introducing Eve Dallas, a New York City police lieutenant with a dark past, and billionaire Irish rogue, Roarke. Since then, the In Death series has sold over sixty-six million copies, with each new novel reaching number one on bestseller charts the world over.

Become a fan on [f] at Nora Roberts and J.D. Robb

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Main Identifier	9780349446288
Thema 1.6	Crime and / or mystery fiction (FF)
Binding Format	Trade Paperback C Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	368 pages
Word Count	100000 words
Series	In Death
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
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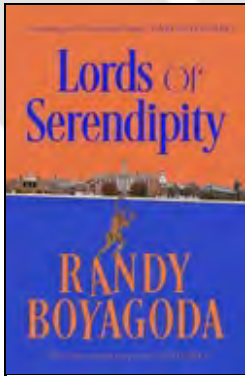
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Main Identifier	9780349148953
Thema 1.6	Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA) Family life fiction / Stories about family (FS) Sri Lanka (1FKS)

Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	C Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	352 pages
Word Count	100000 words
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

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Lords of Serendipity

Randy Boyagoda

Keynote

Thousands of miles apart from each other, two talented girls have the same dream: a university education. But is it worth it?

Description

'As moving as it is hysterically funny' Gary Shteyngart, author of *Vera, or Faith*

'Tender, eviscerating, perfect' Junot Díaz, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao*

'Sparkling, humane and irresistible' Garth Risk Hallberg, author of *City on Fire*

Devi is a Sri Lankan village girl who dreams of going to Harvard. Devi's father cleans toilets in a five-star hotel to pay for his daughter to be tutored by a dapper young Indian man - who might not be the Oxford scholar he claims to be on Whatsapp ...

Katrina is a middle-class American girl whose life has been designed to get her into an elite liberal arts college. Katrina's father teaches extra courses at a mediocre technical university to pay for his daughter's academic experiences. Meanwhile, his tech bro TA expertly extorts money from international students terrified of flunking out and being deported ...

Set between contemporary Sri Lanka and the United States, *Lords of Serendipity* is a global campus novel for the 21st century, a funny, moving, and sharply observed story about dreams and ambition meeting corruption and hypocrisy, about strivers and hustlers, and the lengths parents will go to for their children.

Sales Points

- **AN EPIC CAMPUS NOVEL WITH SWEEPING SCOPE AND AMBITION**, telling the story of two very different families in Sri Lanka and the USA
- **DAZZLING, STYLISH AND FUNNY WRITING** for fans of Percival Everett's *Erasure* and Paul Murray's *The Bee Sting*
- **THE BEST BOOK YET FROM A CELEBRATED CANADIAN WRITER** who has been nominated for the International Dublin Literary Award, and is admired by writers such as Salman Rushdie ('richly funny') and Booker-winner Aravind Adiga ('Randy Boyagoda's writing fills me with laughter, delight - and envy')

Reviews

- 'A book that's a feast, an occasion and a celebration. Randy Boyagoda delightfully skewers the industrial-academic complex but also creates moving characters who seem to have walked in from the dorm and faculty meeting next door. The result is as moving as it is hysterically funny' - Gary Shteyngart, author of *Vera, or Faith*
- 'Randy Boyagoda's *Lords of Serendipity* is utterly fantastic and timely beyond belief. This is the campus novel we've all been waiting for: tender, eviscerating, perfect' - Junot Díaz, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao*
- 'A sparkling, humane, and irresistible campus novel' - Garth Risk Hallberg, author of *City on Fire*
- 'Praise for *Original Prin:*' - -

Author Biography

Randy Boyagoda is a writer and professor of English at the University of Toronto. He writes regularly for publications including the *New York Times*, the *Atlantic*, the *Financial Times* and the *Times Literary Supplement*, and his fiction has been nominated for the Giller Prize and IMPAC Dublin Literary Prize.

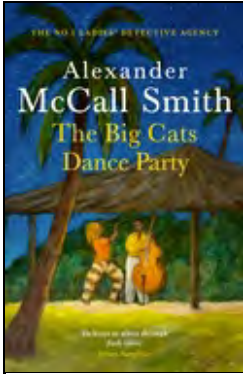
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Word Count	80000 words
Series	No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency
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The Big Cats Dance Party

Alexander McCall Smith

Keynote

Book 27 in the multi-million copy bestselling and perennially adored No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency series

Description

Book 27 in the multi-million copy bestselling and perennially adored No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency series

"I am a fortunate woman to have such an eventful life," observes Mma Ramotswe of the No 1 Ladies' Detective Agency. Perhaps, but there are times when rather too much seems to be happening, and a quieter life might seem rather attractive. This latest despatch from Botswana is certainly full of events, even if it starts with a leisurely trip to buy a pair of shoes as a birthday present for Mr J.L.B. Matekoni. As often happens in Mma Ramotswe's world, one thing leads to another, and we are soon caught up in an ill-thought-out plan hatched by Charlie, junior mechanic and enthusiastic trainee detective. Charlie has met up with two rising stars of the local musical world - jazz players known to their public as Lion and Leopard. He is keen to plan a big event with them, even though Mma Makutsi sees nothing but disaster ahead. Mma Ramotswe would like to keep an eye on the situation, but she has to go up north, to the wilds of the Okavango Delta, where her friends at an elephant sanctuary are battling with a campaign being waged against them. Mma Ramotswe's help is needed, and, of course, is given with all the generosity of spirit that illuminates the character of this most beloved of lady detectives. A happy ending? Of course.

Sales Points

- English language sales for McCall Smith's titles now exceed 20 million copies worldwide
- Alexander McCall Smith has been recognised as Author of the Year three times (BA, NIBBIES and Waterstones)

Author Biography

Alexander McCall Smith is the author of over one hundred books on a wide array of subjects, including the award-winning The No.1 Ladies' Detective Agency series. He is also the author of the Isabel Dalhousie novels and the world's longest-running serial novel, 44 Scotland Street. His books have been translated into forty-six languages. Alexander McCall Smith is Professor Emeritus of Medical Law at the University of Edinburgh and holds honorary doctorates from thirteen universities. He was knighted by the King in 2024.

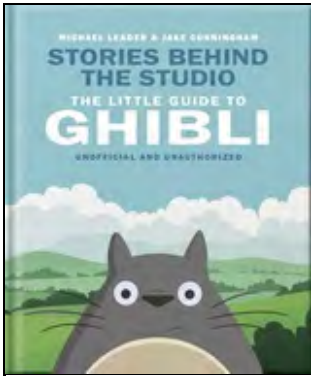
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Binding	Hardback
Format	137x113
Extent	192 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None

Stories Behind the Studio: The Little Guide to Ghibli

Michael Leader and Jake Cunningham

Keynote

Experience the magic of Studio Ghibli - the iconic Japanese animation studio.

Description

Since its formation in the 80s, Studio Ghibli films have enchanted audiences with whimsical worlds, unforgettable characters and timeless stories. This little book guides you through all things Ghibli, packed full of fascinating facts, behind-the-scenes insights and revealing trivia across the studio's legendary films.

From classics like *Spirited Away* and *My Neighbour Totoro* to recent masterpieces such as *The Boy and the Heron*, this little book celebrates the studio's most iconic creatures, famous scenes and distinguished directors.

Whether you're a lifelong fan or just joining the magical world of Ghibli, *The Little Guide to Ghibli* is the perfect introduction to the iconic studio that has given us 40 years of film perfection.

Sample content:

"The major characteristic of Studio Ghibli - not just myself - is the way we depict nature. We don't subordinate the natural setting to the characters. Our way of thinking is that nature exists and human beings exist within it." - Hayao Miyazaki

One of Hayao Miyazaki's greatest creative projects wasn't a film: it was a Museum. Situated in a pleasant public park in Western Tokyo, the Ghibli Museum is a celebration of creativity, the imagination and animation. Filled with exhibits, dioramas and countless little details designed by Hayao Miyazaki himself, it is a place of wonder that rewards exploration.

Sales Points

- Studio Ghibli is one of the most popular and famous animation studios in the world.
- Studio Ghibli was awarded an an honorary Palme d'Or at the 2024 Cannes Film Festival.
- Ghibli's *The Boy and the Heron* and *Spirited Away* both won Academy Awards for Best Animated Feature in 2024 and 2003 respectively.
- Netflix acquired rights to the movies in 2020, which have proven hugely popular.
- Joins other successful Welbeck Studio Ghibli titles such as *Ghibliotheque* and *Ghibliverse*.

Author Biography

Jake Cunningham (Author)

Jake Cunningham is a multimedia writer and producer. As well as *Ghibliotheque*, he has produced podcasts with NBC Universal, Sky, Channel 4 and Prime Video. He discusses film on the BBC World Service, and has written and voiced video essays for the BBC and *Little White Lies*. He has written for *Empire*, *The I* and *NME* among others. His first animated short film as writer and producer, made with the BFI, was released in 2021. He recently developed and wrote on a Sky Atlantic documentary and is currently producing his next film. He lives in London with his wife, small dog and baby.

Michael Leader (Author)

Michael Leader is a writer and broadcaster whose writing has appeared in *Sight & Sound* and *Little White Lies*, and whose voice has appeared on podcasts and radio ranging from *Ghibliotheque* and *Truth & Movies* to BBC *Front Row* and BBC Radio 5. For several years he was Editorial Director for Film4 Online, and Commissioning Editor of the BBC Arts/iPlayer series *Inside Cinema* and *Inside Games*, for which he wrote and produced short-form documentaries about, among other things, Studio Ghibli. He lives in Sussex with his partner and a small child.

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Softly, As I Leave You: Life After Elvis

The long-awaited memoir about life behind the walls of Graceland from Priscilla, wife of a legend

Priscilla Beaulieu Presley

Keynote

The long-awaited memoir by Priscilla Presley chronicling her difficult, inspiring journey beyond the walls of Graceland and behind the elegant image the world sees.

Description

Priscilla Presley's divorce from Elvis left his fans incredulous. How could she leave the man every woman wanted? From the outside, life in Elvis's mansion looked glamorous and enviable, and in many respects, it was. But inside the mansion, her husband was constantly surrounded by a male entourage while at the gates, lines of beautiful women waited hopefully for an audience with the King. From the time she was seventeen years old, that life was all Priscilla had known. During her ten years with Elvis, it became painfully apparent that she had no idea who she was outside Elvis's world. The only way to find herself was to leave that world and seek a new life of her own, because leaving was the only way to survive, for herself and for her daughter.

Softly, As I Leave You, is the deeply personal story of what Priscilla lost and what she found when she walked away from the man she loved. Despite the legal separation, their love for one another transformed into a touching and tender dynamic that endured until Elvis's untimely death four years later. Shattered by Elvis's passing, she had to reinvent herself a second time as the single mother of a talented, often headstrong daughter who never really recovered from her father's death. Priscilla's dedication to motherhood was enriched by the birth of her second child, and she gradually found her footing as a businesswoman, actress, designer, and legislative advocate. She transformed Graceland into an international destination and helped guide the development of Elvis Presley Enterprises. But the unexpected, shattering loss of three immediate family members years later brought Priscilla to her knees. She shares her journey with a quiet dignity that will comfort and reassure anyone who has suffered - and survived - seemingly unbearable loss.

A passionate, compassionate, and inspiring story of finding your place in the world, *Softly, As I Leave You*, is a sweet Southern melody that will take the reader with Priscilla on her long road home.

Sales Points

- First book by Priscilla since her 1985 book.
- Topical given recent film, *Priscilla* (2023) by Sophia Coppola.
- Follows on from Lisa Marie and Riley Keough's book in 2024.
- Retells the Presley family and Priscilla's story in a new light.

Author Biography

Priscilla Beaulieu Presley is a businesswoman, author, designer, producer, and actress best known for her roles in the television drama *Dallas* and the *Naked Gun* movies. As the cofounder and former chairperson of Elvis Presley Enterprises, she is credited with turning Elvis Presley's mansion, Graceland, into the second most visited historic home in the United States. As a key architect of the Elvis Presley legacy, she has curated and produced albums, books, films, and concerts honoring the late music legend. She lives in Los Angeles near her son and grandchildren, where she continues her lifelong commitment to animal advocacy.

Mary Jane Ross is an award-winning college professor and writer, honored with the NAACP Image Award for Best Biography or Autobiography, with Ray Charles Robinson. Her collaborations span subjects as diverse as Judy Garland, Frank Sinatra, Piper Laurie, Mafia hitman Roy DeMeo, and Congressman Nancy Mace. *Softly, As I Leave You*, with Priscilla Presley, marks her ninth memoir. Her body of work also includes poetry and an online grammar textbook for second-language students. She lives in her native Southern California.

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King Sorrow

the epic new novel from the Sunday Times bestselling author

Joe Hill

Keynote

Like *The Secret History* colliding with *IT*, this exhilarating, emotional and genre-bending novel is perfect for fans of Stephen King and Catriona Ward.

Description

SOME PROMISES SHOULD NEVER BE MADE...

*****A BBC RADIO 2 BOOK CLUB PICK*****

'A tour de force...huge, sprawling - and absolutely fantastic' **THE GUARDIAN**
 'Joe Hill gloriously resurrects the doorstep horror blockbuster' **ALAN MOORE**
 'A soaring epic' **PAUL TREMBLAY**
 'Exhilarating and haunting...perfection from start to finish' **DAILY EXPRESS**
 'A commanding, captivating read' **FINANCIAL TIMES**
 'Epic...a rich response to the horrors and hopes of living today' **DAILY MAIL**

Bookish dreamer Arthur Oakes is a student at Rackham College, Maine, renowned for its frosty winters and beautiful buildings.

But his idyll - and burgeoning romance with Gwen Underfoot - is shattered when local drug dealers force him into a terrible crime: stealing rare and valuable books from the exceptional college library.

Trapped and desperate, Arthur turns to his closest friends for help: the wealthy, irrepressible Colin Wren; brave, beautiful Allison Shiner; the battling twins Donna and Donovan McBride; and brainy, bold Gwen. Together they dream up an impossible, fantastical scheme that they scarcely imagine will work: to summon the fabled dragon King Sorrow to kill those tormenting Arthur.

But the six stumble backwards into a deadly bargain - they soon learn they must choose a new sacrifice for King Sorrow each year or one of them will become his next victim. Unleashing consequences they can neither predict nor control, this promise will, over the course of four decades, shape and endanger their lives in ways they could never expect.

'A brilliantly Faustian fable with a heart as huge as a dragon's' **RUTH WARE**
 'A wild, genre-defying journey, packed with all sorts of unexpected twists' **DAILY MIRROR**
 'A glorious, wild ride' **NEW YORK TIMES**
 'Epic! Hill's best and most ambitious work to date' **LINWOOD BARCLAY**
 'A monster of a book...a vast, brimstoned, relentless zinger' **NICK HARKAWAY**

Sales Points

- **AN INSTANT BESTSELLER FROM THE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR** An instant New York Times bestseller and Joe Hill's **highest-selling hardback** to date (over 10,000 copies), this astonishingly ambitious, emotional and genre-bending novel is like *The Secret History colliding with IT* - unmissable for fans of Stephen King, Leigh Bardugo and Catriona Ward.
- **AN EPIC AND ACCLAIMED NOVEL FROM AN AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR** A BBC Radio 2 Book Club pick which received glowing reviews across national media including: 'A tour de force...absolutely fantastic' (THE GUARDIAN) 'A commanding, captivating read' (FINANCIAL TIMES) and 'Epic...a rich response to the horrors and hopes of living today' (DAILY MAIL)
- **HUGE PRAISE FROM HIGH-PROFILE AUTHORS:** Praised by celebrated authors as varied as Alan Moore, Paul Tremblay and Nick Harkaway.
- **A HUGELY POPULAR AUTHOR WITH A MASSIVELY DEVOTED FANBASE** With a loyal readership who are fiercely dedicated to his work, Joe has over 400,000 followers across social media.

Author Biography

Joe Hill is 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	Tuesday, September 15, 2026
Price	£12.99 / ₹999
Main Identifier	9781035434312
Thema 1.6	Fiction: literary and general non-genre (FB) Contemporary fantasy / Low fantasy (FMW) Horror, ghost stories and supernatural fiction (FK)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	896 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); EU; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Author born in	USA
Author living in	USA
Previous Titles	
Heart-Shaped Box	
Horns	
NOS4A2	
The Fireman	
Stranger Weather (short story collection)	
Full Throttle (short story collection)	
1st Serial	Headline Publishing Group
2nd Serial	Headline Publishing Group
Audio	Headline Publishing Group
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Headline Publishing Group
Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
Large print	Headline Publishing Group
Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Headline Publishing Group
US	Refer to Publisher



Burn of the Everflame

The epic final book in the Kindred's Curse Saga!

Penn Cole

Keynote

A slow-burn epic romantasy series from Penn Cole, this is the fourth fiery installment in the BookTok sensation and *New York Times* bestselling series that started with *Spark of the Everflame*, set in a world colonised by the gods and ruled over by the cruel Descended.

Description

The HIGHLY ANTICIPATED and NEVER-BEFORE-PUBLISHED final book in Penn Cole's BookTok sensation slow-burn, epic romantasy series following one woman who must risk everything to save her family - and all of mortalkind!

War has overtaken Emarion . . .

In the north, Ophiucæ and his army of bloodthirsty mortals seek to eradicate all Descended from the continent. In the south, the Guardians of the Everflame lie in wait, plotting a rebellion generations overdue.

In Lumnos, Realm of Light and Shadow, the Crowns are gathering. Caught between two deadly foes, they must form an unlikely alliance to save their people.

But the Crowns have a secret-and a heart without its mate will burn the world down to fulfill its fate.

Hatred reigns. Hope seems lost. With the future in darkness, can a flame emerge to bring the light?

Readers can't get enough of Penn Cole!

'This story has captivated me . . . A fiery tapestry of love and what must be will be'

'Read. This. Book. Now.'

'A beautifully told story, gripping in every way and leaving wanting more!'

'Wow. Just wow. Everything you'd ever want in a fantasy book!'

'For anyone who loves ACOTAR and [Fourth Wing], you should 100% read this series. . . Chosen ones, magic, dragon creatures, enemy's to lovers, found family, banter, slow burn, royal politics, war. It has everything!'

Sales Points

- **PENN COLE IS A ROMANTASY SENSATION!** The Kindred's Curse Saga has sold over three million copies worldwide in 18 languages and *Spark of the Everflame* has sold over one million copies. #KindredsCurseSaga has more than 6.5M views on TikTok, and #SparkOfTheEverflame has earned nearly 50M views on TikTok. Penn also has a passionate following of 118k followers on Instagram and 41k followers on Threads, as well as 10.9k followers, 23.8k likes and 20.5M views on TikTok.
- **THE EPIC, NEVER-BEFORE-PUBLISHED CONCLUSION OF THE KINDRED'S CURSE SAGA:** With everything that readers love in this area, *Burn of the Everflame* is the grand finale in this perfect epic romantasy series - perfect for fans of strong female characters, intriguing family dynamics, old gods and new gods, enemies-to-lovers, fantasy political intrigue, 'touch her and die', he falls first and more!
- **TV IN DEVELOPMENT:** Hulu are currently developing *Everflame*, a drama series based on the Kindred's Curse Saga, from *Death and Other Details* co-creator Heidi Cole McAdams, Penn Cole and 20th Television.

Author Biography

Penn Cole is an internationally bestselling author of magical worlds, feisty women, and angst romance. Her debut series, **The Kindred's Curse Saga**, has been sold in over a dozen languages to date.

Before pursuing her lifelong dream of publishing, Penn had a prior career as an artist and attorney. Although she's a Texas girl born and bred, she currently lives in France with her husband where she can usually be found eating far too many pastries and trolling her readers on Discord.

For the latest updates on appearances, new releases, and bonus content from the series, join Penn's mailing list at **PennCole.com** or follow **@AuthorPennCole** on Instagram, TikTok, and Facebook.

Publication date	Tuesday, September 08, 2026
Price	£12.99 / ₹899
Main Identifier	9781035432523
Thema 1.6	Epic fantasy / high fantasy (FMB) Fantasy romance / Romantic fantasy (FMR) Romance (FR)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	880 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Series	The Kindred's Curse Saga
Exclusively for Sale	Austr; Cw (ex Can, ANZ); EU; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	ANZ; Aus; Can; USA
Author born in	Texas, USA
Author living in	Paris, France

Previous Titles

SPARK OF THE EVERFLAME
GLOW OF THE EVERFLAME
HEAT OF THE EVERFLAME
BURN OF THE EVERFLAME

1st Serial	Headline Publishing Group
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Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
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Undramatised (straight) reading	Headline Publishing Group
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Publication date	Thursday, September 24, 2026
Price	£12.99 / ₹599
Main Identifier	9781035426805
Thema 1.6	Romance (FR) 20th century, c 1900 to c 1999 (3MP) Mexico (1KLCM)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	256 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None

Book locale	Mexico/France
Author born in	France
Author living in	France

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

The award-winning novel about the colourful and captivating life of Frida Kahlo

Claire Berest
Translated by **Stephanie Smee**

Keynote

Translated into English for the first time, Claire Berest's award-winning novel is a striking fictional imagining of the vibrant life of one of the world's most enigmatic and beloved artists: **Frida Kahlo**.

Description

'The portrait of a fascinating, eccentric, and indomitable woman . . . an incandescent novel' *Elle*
'No author has yet captured Frida's tragic life in words as sensually and passionately as this' *Grazia*
'Claire Berest writes as captivatingly and vividly as Frida Kahlo painted' *Paris Match*

WINNER OF ELLE FRANCE'S GRAND PRIX DES LECTRICES.

Perfect for fans of *The Artist*, *The Safekeep*, *Tracy Chevalier* and *Ali Smith*.

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This is the story of Diego and Frida, who couldn't live without each other.

They meet at a party. She knows everything about him, about his mythology, and he knows nothing of her, she is nobody.

He is Mexico's greatest artist. She drinks like a sailor, wears flowers in her hair, talks openly about sex, loves attending protests and parties to wake the dead. She is from Coyoacán, twenty years his junior and with a broken spine to boot.

Even when her body is wracked with pain, she paints.

There were two great accidents in her life. The first was when that streetcar hit her . . . but by far the worst was meeting him.

Translated into English for the first time, Claire Berest's award-winning novel is a striking fictional imagining of the vibrant life and tumultuous marriage of one of the world's most beloved artists: Frida Kahlo.

Sales Points

- **AWARD-WINNING TRANSLATED FICTION:** The 2021 winner of *Elle* magazine's Grand Prix de Lectrices - a prestigious literary prize, voted on by readers. The novel has since been translated into German and Italian, with MLP's edition bringing this bold novel into English for the first time.
- **THE YEAR OF FRIDA KAHLO IN THE UK:** The Tate Modern have just announced a major new Kahlo exhibition, due to run from 25 June 2026 - 4 Jan 2027, bringing 130 of her works to the UK, many for the first time.
- **ICON AND INFLUENCE:** Widely considered the most famous female artist of all time, Frida Kahlo's cultural impact extends far beyond art enthusiasts, as an icon of Mexican cultural heritage and LGBTQ+ history, disability activism and feminism, with her image and inspiration permeating fashion and merchandising.
- **BEHIND A CULT FIGURE:** Written from Frida's perspective, Berest's celebrated novel gives the reader an intimate glimpse into Frida's personal life, pulling back the curtain on her tumultuous relationship with fellow artist Diego Rivera, and introducing a intriguing, bohemian cast of secondary characters.
- **ENGAGED AUSTRALIAN TRANSLATOR:** Stephanie Smee is a highly-celebrated Australian translator, three times shortlisted for the New South Wales Premier's Translation Prize, and winner of the Australian Academy for Humanities Medal for Excellence in Translation, the CWA Crime Fiction in Translation Dagger and the JQ-Wingate Prize. She is available for any ANZ PR/marketing.

Reviews

- 'The portrait of a fascinating, eccentric, and indomitable woman . . . an incandescent novel' - *Elle*
- 'No author has yet captured Frida's tragic life in words as sensually and passionately as this' - *Grazia*
- 'Claire Berest writes as captivatingly and vividly as Frida Kahlo painted' - *Paris Match*
- '[Berest] recounts the passion, art and torment of this long-suffering painter, a magician of colours and priestess of liberated femininity' - *Les Inrocks*

Author Biography



Claire Berest is the author of novels, *Bellevue* (2015), *Gabriële* (2017), which appeared in the 2025 *New York Times* list of best historical fiction, *Rien n'est noir* (2019), winner of the *ELLE* Readers Grand Prize, *Artifices* (2021), *L'épaisseur d'un cheveu* (2023), and works of non-fiction. Her most recent is *La chair des autres* (2024), about the trial of 'Mazan's rapes' and the story of Gisèle Pélicot.

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Horns

The darkly humorous horror that will have you questioning everyone you know

Joe Hill

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, September 10, 2026
Price	£10.99 / ₹899
Main Identifier	9781035446834
Thema 1.6	Horror, ghost stories and supernatural fiction (FK) Humorous fiction (FU) Narrative theme: love / relationships (FXD) Occult fiction / Paranormal Horror (FKW) Satanism / demonology (QRYX9)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	448 pages
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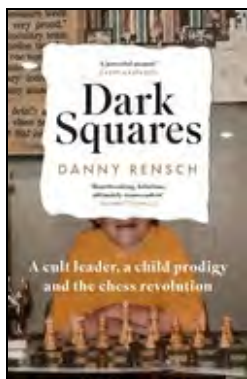
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Dark Squares: A cult leader, a child prodigy and the chess revolution

Danny Rensch

Keynote

A memoir of being raised in a cult, from former chess prodigy and current chief chess officer at Chess.com.

Description

Educated meets *The Queen's Gambit* in this extraordinary memoir by International Master and Chess.com co-founder Danny Rensch, who describes his upbringing in an abusive cult - and how chess ended up saving his life.

Born into the Church of Immortal Consciousness, Danny Rensch spent his childhood navigating the isolated confines of a cult. Despite psychological manipulation, physical abuse and neglect, he persevered. An international chess master and world-class commentator, Rensch's remarkable journey led him to being the face of Chess.com, one of the largest online gaming platforms in the world.

With unflinching honesty, Rensch recounts his life, starting from the moment he discovered chess in the summer of 1995, all the way up to being at the centre of the investigation into the most explosive cheating scandal in chess history.

He chronicles the traumas of being 'special' in a cult that forced separation from his mother. Mentored by an alcoholic Russian chess master, he found solace alongside suffering in his obsession with chess - an ancient game which became his only escape.

Deeply heartfelt, keenly reflective and haunting, *Dark Squares* is the never-before-told story of Danny Rensch's resilience, survival, and his enduring love for the game that saved him.

Sales Points

- **Chess.com:** Danny is the face of the world's biggest chess app, with over 80 million users, a host of celebrity users and major brand partnerships, which Danny will leverage to market and promote the book.
- **Extraordinary memoirs:** readers of unique life stories like *Educated*, *How to Say Babylon* and *Sociopath: A Memoir*, will love Danny's book. Cults are of perennial interest and this book will appeal to fans of *In the Days of Rain* and *Unfollow: A Journey from Hatred to Hope, leaving the Westboro Baptist Church*
- **Marketing:** Danny has 47k followers on X and will be tapping into Chess.com's socials, which have an audience of over 3 million.
- **Growth:** The interest in Chess continues to grow on both sides of the Atlantic, as highlighted in a recent Guardian article and the success of *The Queen's Gambit*, 'the biggest hit in the history of Netflix'.

Reviews

- **'Inspiring, fascinating, and at times heartbreaking . . . a deep dive into the chess world through the eyes of someone who is at the center of it all!' - BEN MEZRICH, author of THE ACCIDENTAL BILLIONAIRES and DUMB MONEY**
- **'I haven't been this inspired by an underdog story in a long time . . . a must read.'** - BOBBY HALL (aka LOGIC), author of SUPERMARKET
- **'A powerful memoir and a testimony to why an ancient board game still has a place in our modern world.'** - GARY KASPAROV
- **'A heart-breaking, hilarious, ultimately transcendent story.'** - JEANNETTE WALLS, author of THE GLASS CASTLE

Author Biography

Danny Rensch is an international chess master, world-renowned chess broadcaster and commentator, and Chief Chess Officer for Chess.com. Rensch was a seven-time all-American chess player and a national scholastic chess champion on multiple occasions. He became the youngest chess master in Arizona history and today lives in Utah with his wife and four children.

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Main Identifier	9781035404667
Thema 1.6	Biography: general (DNB) Aspects of religion (QRV) Board games: Chess (WDMG1)
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Extent	368 pages
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Author born in	Arizona
Author living in	California
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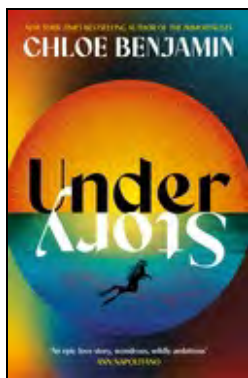
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Under Story

The dazzling new novel from the internationally bestselling author of *The Immortalists*

Chloe Benjamin

Keynote

From the New York Times bestselling author of *The Immortalists* comes the most heartstopping and ambitious literary love story of 2026

Description

'We wake up to tomorrow, never yesterday.'

Epic, tender, breathtakingly ambitious, *Under Story* is a once read, never forgotten exploration of the power of second chances, and the hope that the impossible might also be true.

At an isolated research station in Antarctica, biologist Laurel Salter washes dishes for a living ten hours a day, six days a week. She tells no one why she left her career or why her marriage ended.

But even in this remote outpost, Laurel cannot outrun her past. When a visual disturbance known as the Arc draws a group of physicists to McMurdo, Laurel realises that her former husband Eli is about to re-enter her life.

Whether it is circumstance or fate that has brought them back together, Laurel and Eli each sense a possibility about the Arc's appearance: its glow; the way it seems almost alive. And while Eli is reluctant to test the scientists' wilder theories, it is Laurel who is willing to risk everything to fix the burden that hangs between them--to turn back the clock and live their story a second time.

But this time, live it differently.

Sales Points

- **A global publishing event:** simultaneous global publication with Putnam in 2026 with coordinated activity to ensure that *Under Story* is one of the most talked about and visible publications of the year.
- **A sure fire reading group hit:** with talking points ranging from the power of second chances and women in science to climate change and the sustainability of technology, *Under Story* is a conversation starter that reading groups across the world will love to discover and debate.
- **A major prize contender:** eight years in the writing, *Under Story* is Chloe Benjamin's most ambitious book to date, and will be a contender for major literary awards in the US, UK and beyond.
- **A uniquely engaging author:** Chloe spent many years researching the science and the locations that lie at the heart of *Under Story*, and communicates this passion in the most engaging way both on and off the page. She will promote extensively in the US and globally - including a UK visit - and via her growing social media following (14k on Instagram).

Reviews

- 'A boundlessly moving inquisitions into mortality, grief and passion... a magic rare enough to leave one astonished' - *Observer (on The Immortalists)*
- 'It's amazing how good this book is' - Karen Joy Fowler (On The Immortalists)
- 'A captivating family saga' - *New York Times Book Review*
- 'Once I started *The Immortalists*, I resented every moment I had to spend away from the book until I'd finished' - *Stylist (on The Immortalists)*

Author Biography

Chloe Benjamin is the author of The *New York Times* bestseller *The Immortalists*, and *The Anatomy of Dreams*. *The Immortalists* was a *Washington Post*, *Entertainment Weekly* and NPR Best Book of 2018. Her work has been translated into 30 languages. She lives with her husband in the San Francisco Bay area.

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Price	£15.99 / ₹999
Main Identifier	9781035437399
Thema 1.6	Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA) Speculative fiction (FD) Science fiction (FL)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	512 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex UK, Can); Ire
Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA

Book locale	Antarctica, Wisconsin, San Francisco
Author born in	San Francisco
Author living in	San Francisco

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Publication date **Tuesday, September 01, 2026**
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 Main Identifier **9781035448852**
 Thema 1.6 **Biography: business and industry (DNBB) Individual designers or design groups (AKB)**

Binding **Paperback**
 Format **180x125**
 Extent **160 pages**
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Little Book of Louis Vuitton The Story of the Iconic Fashion House

Karen Homer

Author Biography

Karen Homer is an established fashion journalist who worked as a fashion columnist for *The Times* and has contributed to the *Telegraph*, *Harpers & Queen*, *Elle*, *World of Interiors* and *Vogue*. She is the bestselling author of the *Little Book of Dior* and *Things a Woman Should Know About Style*. She lives in London.

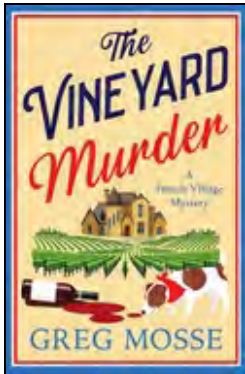
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The Vineyard Murder

A totally addictive cozy and escapist murder mystery

Greg Mosse

Keynote

Don't miss the fourth instalment in the utterly addictive and escapist French Village Mystery series!

Description

It's harvest season in Sainte-Catherine, which means helping out with the local vineyard, sipping on wine and soaking up the scorching sun. But when a peaceful week turns deadly, only amateur sleuth Zoe Pascal can solve the case!

As summer draws to a close in the south of France, bookshop owner Zoe Pascal is helping with this year's grape harvest. Surrounded by the soft green hills of Sainte-Catherine, Zoe has spent the last week working on her friend Marcel Maurice's vineyard.

Early one morning, as Zoe walks her dog Russell, she stumbles upon a dead body wrapped in a blanket, nestled amongst the vines.

Zoe immediately alerts the local police, but when they return to the spot of gruesome discovery, the body is nowhere to be found...

Was Zoe mistaken? Has she found herself embroiled in another mystery? Can Zoe uncover who the murderer is, when everyone on the vineyard is now a suspect?

Author Biography

GREG MOSSE is a 'writer and encourager of writers' and husband of internationally bestselling author, Kate Mosse. He has lived and worked in Paris, New York, Los Angeles and Madrid, mostly as an interpreter and translator, but grew up in rural south-west Sussex. In 2014, he founded the Criterion New Writing playwriting programme in the heart of the West End and, since then, has produced more than 25 of his own plays and musicals. His creative writing workshops are highly sought after at festivals at home and abroad. His first novel, *The Coming Darkness*, was published by Moonflower in 2022, followed in 2024 by *The Coming Storm*. *Murder at the Wedding* is the sixth book in his successful cosy crime series featuring the charming and perceptive amateur sleuth, Maisie Cooper.

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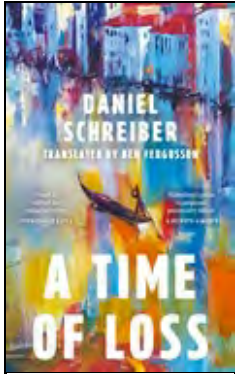
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A Time of Loss

A moving meditation on burnout, grief and recovery

Daniel Schreiber
Translated by **Ben Fergusson**

Keynote

For readers of *The Year of Magical Thinking* and *Crying in H Mart*, a moving meditation on personal grief and the collective losses that mark our times.

Description

FROM THE INTERNATIONALLY BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF *ALONE*

'Such a skilled and engaging writer'

Deborah Levy

'Schreiber's prose is gorgeous, practically silken'

Lauren Groff

Nothing in this world lasts forever.

Exhausted and isolated, numbed to his feelings by all-consuming work, Daniel Schreiber sought escape in Venice: the iconic city that we both love and pre-emptively mourn, as it gradually sinks beneath the waves.

As he wanders its waterways and historic buildings, Schreiber confronts how since the death of his father, grief has been his daily companion - and how this personal loss has been magnified by the many larger, collective losses that the world has faced in recent years.

With characteristic intelligence, curiosity and compassion, Schreiber considers how other writers have faced their own losses - from Joan Didion and Rebecca Solnit, to Judith Butler and Sigmund Freud - to finally arrive at an understanding of how grief offers us our best and perhaps only chance to find our way back to life.

Sales Points

- **PERFECT FOR FANS OF DEBORAH LEVY, OLIVIA LAING AND OLIVER BURKEMAN.** *A Time of Loss* is personal non-fiction at its finest, powerful literary writing that carries real-life lessons.
- **IF YOU'RE SUFFERING FROM WORK BURN-OUT:** Daniel reckons with grief and how throwing himself into his work has been a way of numbing his feelings -- the book charts his finding his way back to himself. Readers will relate.
- **A BEAUTIFUL TOUR OF VENICE:** it's historic building, winding canals, the beauty of the San Michele Cemetery -- it becomes a jumping off point for the author's grappling with the fleeting nature of things.
- **A WELL-CONNECTED AUTHOR:** Daniel is friends with Hanya Yanagihara, Deborah Levy, and Octavia Bright. Fans of his work include Douglas Stuart and Brandon Taylor - both of whom Daniel is reaching out to for early blurbs.
- **TIMELY SUBJECT.** *A Time of Loss* explores not only personal loss and grief, but the loss of moral, political, and environmental certainties. Necessary reading for our current climate.

Reviews

- 'Daniel Schreiber is **the master of the narrative essay**' - Katharina Walser, *Glamour*
- 'As **brilliant** as always!' - *Elle*
- '**Unbelievably good**, once again' - Daniel Schieferdecker, *Esquire*
- 'Reading a book by Daniel Schreiber **changes the way you see your own life**' - Fatma Aydemir, author of *Djinns*

Author Biography

Daniel Schreiber is an award-winning author and translator, based in Berlin. He has written five books, including *Susan Sontag*, the first complete biography of the intellectual icon, and *A Time of Loss*. *Alone* was an international bestseller and spent almost a year on the German bestseller list.

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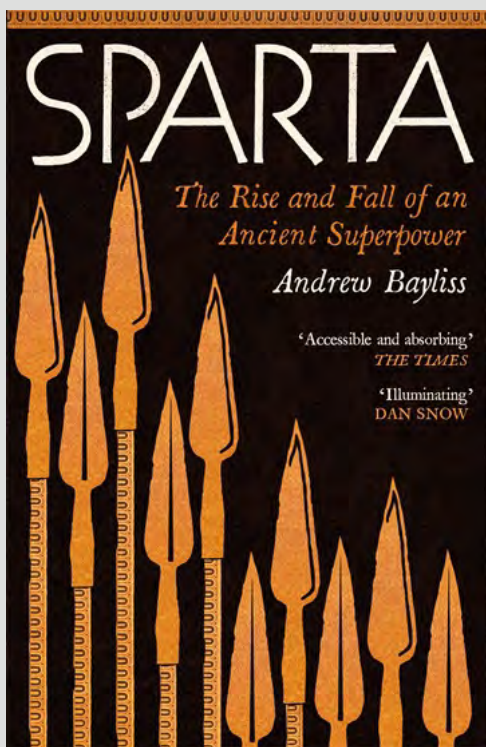
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REVIEWS

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'A lively and plausible history ... A considerable feat' - Paul Cartledge, *BBC History Magazine*

'Accessible and absorbing' - *The Times*

'Gripping' - Sam Leith, *Spectator Book Club*

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Sparta

The Rise and Fall of an Ancient Superpower

ANDREW BAYLISS

KEYNOTE

From warrior queens and the 300 to the Peloponnesian war, a major new history of an ancient superpower

SALES POINTS

- **A major new history of Greece's most famous city-state**, known to the audiences of Hollywood blockbusters and history fans alike
- **Hardback received wide praise across media**, and was a favourite of book box subscriptions
- **Author is an established academic** who has written extensively on Ancient Greece, most recently OUP's *The Spartans: A Very Short Introduction* (2022)

DESCRIPTION

'Absorbing' *The Times*

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Sparta - its legendary warriors and steadfast resilience are famous throughout the world as a model for toughness, justice and masculinity. The Spartans' reputation as fighters is matched only by their mythic code of honour. Their torch has been carried by footballers and politicians, video games and philosophers alike.

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Sparta was an ancient superpower, and its legacy is still shaping popular culture and politics today. This is the story of its rise and fall.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Andrew Bayliss is Associate Professor in Greek History at the University of Birmingham. He has taught and studied in Australia, Greece and the UK, and his published works on ancient Greek history include *Oath and State in Ancient Greece*, *The Spartans* and *The Spartans: A Very Short Introduction*.

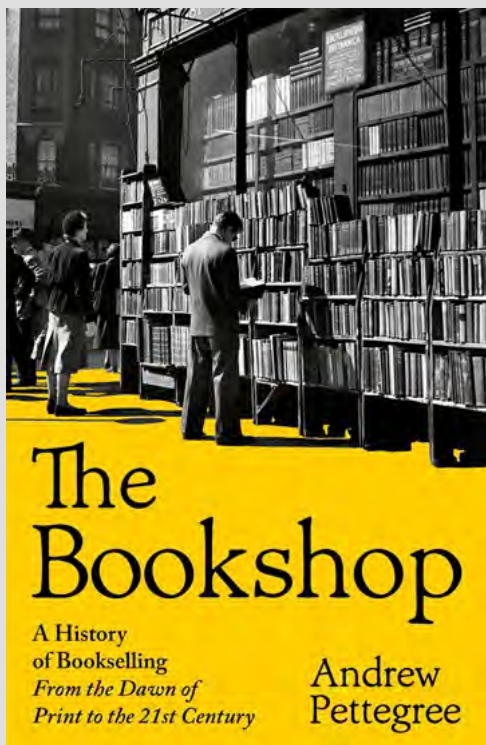
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The Bookshop

A History of Bookselling From the Dawn of Print to the 21st Century

ANDREW PETTEGREE

KEYNOTE

A magisterial history of bookshops and booksellers by the author of *The Library* and *The Book at war*

SALES POINTS

- A sweeping history of bookselling and its characterful booksellers, spanning Europe, the UK and America, from Samuel Pepys to the present day, for readers of Profile's own *The Notebook* (TCM 6.5k), *Index, A History of* (TCM 8k) and Richard Ovenden's *Burning the Books* (TCM 13k).
- An authority on the history of books, with plaudits for previous titles *The Library* and *The Book at War* from David Kynaston, Kathryn Hughes, Richard Ovenden, John Carey and Judith Flanders, and total sales exceeding 21k TCM

REVIEWS

'Stylish, authoritative and full of telling anecdotes. Andrew Pettegree is the ideal guide through half a millennium of selling books' - Dennis Duncan, author of *INDEX, A HISTORY OF THE*

'PRAISE FOR *THE LIBRARY*:

'Outstanding ... fetchingly produced and scrupulously researched - a perfect gift for bibliophiles everywhere' - Professor John Carey, *Sunday Times*

'In this superb history, the authors tell the rich and varied history of libraries, from those that aspire to collect the sum of human knowledge to modest but valued personal collections' - *Guardian*

'PRAISE FOR *THE BOOK AT WAR*:

'Rich, authoritative, and highly readable ... [a] tour de force' - David Kynaston

DESCRIPTION

Bookshops are a comforting sight on our high streets, warm and welcoming spaces in which to browse, meet friends and occasionally buy books. They may feel timeless, yet their history is a restless and turbulent one, filled with as many entrepreneurial street hawkers and illicit trades as with beloved institutions.

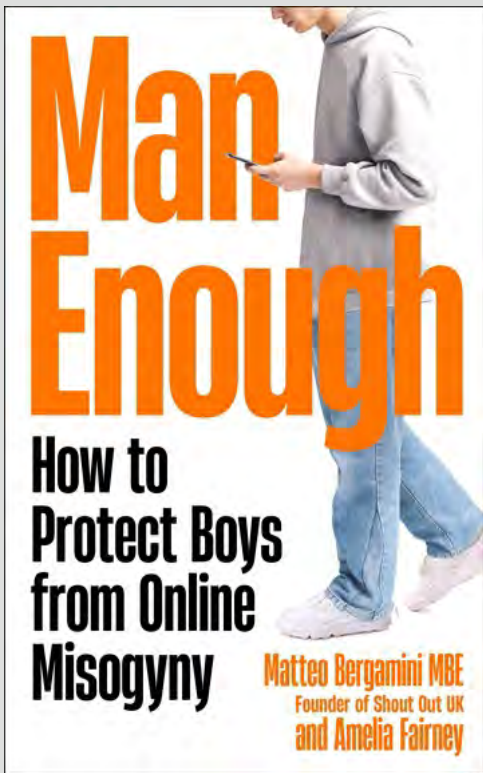
The Bookshop, from the celebrated author of *The Library* and *The Book at War*, explores the evolution of bookselling from the cramped collectors' shops frequented by Samuel Pepys to the radical feminist bookshops of the 70s, the rise of monolithic chains and the new world of online selling. Connecting stories and lives that span centuries, countries and continents, *The Bookshop* brings us into beloved bookshops of today and looks forward to the possible experience of booksellers of tomorrow.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Andrew Pettegree, FBA, is Professor of Modern History at the University of St Andrews. He is the author of *The Book at War*, the prize-winning *The Book in the Renaissance* and co-author of *The Library: A Fragile History*. He is a former Vice-President of the Royal Historical Society and founding director of the Universal Short Title Catalogue.

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REVIEWS

‘Praise for Shout Out UK’ - :

‘Their drive and enthusiasm to make a real difference to young people is clear to see . . . Shout Out UK go over and above’ - Sarah Lewis, *UK Youth*

‘[Shout Out UK] will give you the tools necessary to understand and engage in politics’ - Professor Matthew Flinders, *Sir Bernard Crick Centre for the Public Understanding of Politics*

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Man Enough

How to Protect Boys from Online Misogyny

MATTEO BERGAMINI AND AMELIA FAIRNEY

KEYNOTE

A parent's guide to combating toxic masculinity and rising misogyny in the digital world

SALES POINTS

- **A global emergency:** parents need urgent guidance to help boys navigate online misogyny and the dangerous ideas of the 'manosphere'
- **Expertly qualified:** Matteo Bergamini MBE is the founder of Shout Out UK and has worked with organisations including Meta, the UN, Ofcom and the House of Lords to educate and empower young people in the digital world
- **Practical solution:** *Man Enough* offers a way through the growing crisis of young people's mental health, as highlighted by *The Anxious Generation* (TCM 97K) and the Netflix *Adolescence* series

DESCRIPTION

This is how to talk to boys about the toxic manosphere - and de-radicalise those already in its grip.

We are facing a crisis of online misogyny. Girls and women are bearing the brunt of harmful beliefs and behaviour, amplified by the internet's echo chamber, which are gaining significant traction among boys and young men. The 'manosphere' is unregulated, seductive in its messaging and full of misinformation. Its influencers prey on boys' normal insecurities to monetise toxic narratives which blame women and girls, and tout a restrictive and controlling version of masculinity as an easy route to 'success'.

Drawing on the authors' expertise with Shout Out UK, the award-winning social enterprise providing political and media literacy training, *Man Enough* will teach parents how to talk so their boys will listen. From online safety, to spotting fake news and building emotional resilience, this reassuring guide will empower parents to help their sons build resistance to manipulation, lead healthier online lives, and foster respectful relationships.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Matteo Bergamini MBE is a father of two and the founder of Shout Out UK, a multi-award winning social enterprise dedicated to teaching young people media literacy and combating online misinformation.

Amelia Fairney is a mother of one and Head of Strategy and Communications at Shout Out UK. She has worked in the field for thirty years.

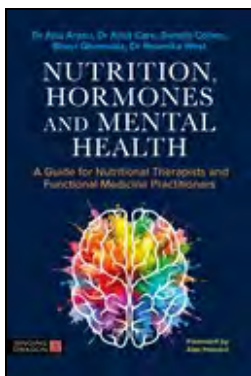
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Nutrition, Hormones and Mental Health A Guide for Nutritional Therapists and Functional Medicine Practitioners

Dr Anu Arasu, Dr Ailsa Care, Sandra Cohen, Bhavi Gheewala and Dr Reamika West. Foreword by Dr Alex Howard.

Keynote

A groundbreaking exploration into metabolic psychiatry and the intersection between nutrition, hormones, metabolism, and mental health, authored by a multidisciplinary team of experts: Dr Anu Arasu, Dr Ailsa Care, Sandra Cohen, Bhavi Gheewala and Dr Reamika West.

Description

This trailblazing resource bridges the divides between nutrition, dietary patterns, hormones, and psychological wellbeing. It's interdisciplinary and integrated approach to human health provides a more holistic understanding on how to achieve systemic balance. Based on extensive clinical research and experience, this book has been co-authored by London Bioidentical Hormones multidisciplinary team of experts, Dr Anu Arasu, Dr Ailsa Care, Sandra Cohen, Bhavi Gheewala and Dr Reamika West. It weaves together multiple critical concepts such as the gut-brain axis, mitochondrial function and unresolved trauma, providing a 360 degree approach that allows clinicians to develop an intricate and personalised approach to client care. Each chapter is clearly structured into three sections: the problem, the feeling of what happens, and the solution, providing an accessible and methodological framework.

Sales Points

- **Market need:** current trends indicate increased interest in gut-brain axis and nutritional health for psychological wellbeing.
- **Clear structure:** each chapter is split into three sections: the problem, the feeling, the solution.
- **Strong author profile:** Anu Arasu is founder and medical director of London Bioidentical Hormones and international keynote speaker.

Author Biography

Dr. Anu Arasu is the Founder and Medical Director of London Bioidentical Hormones, a multi award-winning personalized medicine clinic, and an international keynote speaker. She has previously commented on the health news for BBC, Ch5 and Sky news, was a spokesperson for Cancer Research and the Dr for the Metro newspaper. Her work has appeared in The Guardian, BMJcareers, Natural Health and GPonline and she has presented at conferences worldwide and co-hosted Conscious Life's Hormone Superconference.

Dr Ailsa Care is a medical doctor based in West Yorkshire. She was an NHS GP for almost 30 years and has been working in the fields of environmental and functional medicine since 2015. She is on the Medical Advisory Board for INOCA International and has been an educator for a local charity project called Moving Through Menopause. She joined the London Bioidentical Hormone Clinic clinical team in 2022 and has also worked with the Dr Indra Specialist Functional Medicine Clinic since 2018.

Sandra Cohen is a UK-based certified Functional Medicine Practitioner (IFMCP), Nutritional Therapist, Kinesiologist and coach, and the founder of Aura & Meta. She began her clinical practice in Hong Kong, working with an international client base that shaped her 360-degree, whole-person perspective. She specialises in complex hormonal presentations involving chronic fatigue, integrating functional medicine with mind-body medicine and a whole-person lens that honours the client's lived experience, identity and purpose. She also teaches neuro-energetic kinesiology and co-hosts Hormones & Heels, a podcast dedicated to perimenopause. Her work has been featured in publications including The Times and ELLE.

Bhavi Gheewala, founder of Kannagara Journeys, is a practitioner specialising in nervous system regulation and childhood development. Her work examines how stress patterns are biologically, relationally and systemically shaped over time, focusing on early development, intergenerational trauma, and physiological integration. Rooted in trainings including primal childhood de-conditioning, family constellations, zen counselling and meditative arts she bridges meditation with therapeutic inner work. By bringing a somatic, trauma-informed perspective to well-being, she facilitates the process for individuals to reclaim agency, develop inner capacities and integrate past imprints. She is currently advancing her expertise in Somatic Experiencing.

Dr Reamika West is a GP with a Bsc. in Endocrinology from Imperial college London, as well as extensive functional medicine training with the Institute of Functional Medicine. Working as Senior Integrative Physician at Hum2n and as an independent practitioner with other clinics focused on HRT and preventative health, she has a passion for environmental medicine and evolutionary biology, tying these fundamental aspects of health with advancements in medicine and science to support healing in her patients.



Market

Nutritional therapists and functional medicine practitioners specifically as well as other health professionals who would like to integrate new perspectives on mental health into their practice.

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Short Stories in Mandarin Chinese for Intermediate Learners

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Keynote

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Description

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

"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 Mandarin Chinese for Intermediate Learners 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 Mandarin Chinese for Intermediate Learners* will make learning Mandarin Chinese 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
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- '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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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 Latin for Beginners* will make learning Latin 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.



Cleaning with Love Energy The Japanese Art of Housework with Heart

Maki Kamoya

Keynote

The Japanese bestseller. A gentle, optimistic way to reframe your attitude to housework, treat your yourself, your things and your home with tenderness and infuse your home with calm and love.

Description

Maki Kamoya is a Japanese housewife who believes that housework is an act of love. Rather than bringing more pressure for everything to be perfect, she advocates doing what you want, when you want - this is housework without the resentment.

There are chores to be done today, tomorrow and the day after. Sometimes it feels like a never-ending duty. But what if we change our way of thinking? What if we see the true purpose of housework as filling our homes with bright and robust energy? Kamoya explores how housework can be made into an act of love. Everything you do with your heart and love brightens your home. You can give your love to your family, yourself and also to those who do not have words; plants, animals and objects with which you share your home.

Sales Points

- A Japanese bestseller
- Sits alongside *Swedish Death Cleaning, The Life-Changing Magic of Tidying Up* and *Zen*
- Translated by Cathy Hirano, translator of *The Life-Changing Magic of Tidying Up*

Author Biography

Maki Kamoya was born into a family that manages a linen shop for 80 years in Tokyo. She successfully balances work, childcaring and housework. When she turned 40, she started feeling the energy of persons and objects through her right hand. A vegetarian café in Tokyo discovered her, and she has been doing free readings for twice a month from 2013. Her readings are popular and are always booked out. Her husband is a climber. They have a daughter who lives in Europe.

Publication date **Thursday, November 05, 2026**
 Price **£12.99 / ₹699**
 Main Identifier **9781529451153**
 Thema 1.6 **Household management and home hints (WKH) Psychology (JM) Esoteric approaches to living space design and style (VXV) Mind, body, spirit (VX)**

Binding **Trade Paperback**
 Format **Demy**
 Extent **288 pages**
 Word Count
 Illustrations **B&W line**
 Exclusively for Sale **Airports; Ire; World (ex USA, Can)**
 Not for Sale **Can; UK; USA**
 In-House Editor **Kate Hewson**

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Things Your Cat Wants You to Know The Hilarious Guide to What Your Cat's Trying to Tell You

Sam Hart

Description

A hilarious book of tongue-in-cheek advice for cat parents who are looking to understand their furry friend's inner thoughts.

(Spoiler alert: your cat thinks you're an idiot.)

Ever wondered what's on your cat's mind when they give you the side-eye, meow at you for hours on end, or scratch you for no apparent reason? Well, in this illustrated little book of humorous observations and insights, you will discover what your cat really thinks of you and learn to understand their unique, unimpressed and passive-aggressive language.

Packed with charming illustrations and witty captions, this book is guaranteed to put a smile on the face of any cat parent who is obsessed with and, at times, mystified by their adorable companion.

Discover the many things your cat is trying to tell you, such as:

- "Dear humans, just because you have lived with us for years does not mean you truly understand our ways."
- "If you insist on leaving your valuables so close to the edge, then you're asking for trouble."
- "You can't call that thing next to the computer a mouse and expect us not to play with it."

And much more! So, dive in to become fluent in cat communication and gain a unique insight into their brilliant yet befuddling brain.

Sales Points

- There are approximately 11 to 12.5 million pet cats in the UK, with sources showing that around 26 per cent to 29 per cent of households own at least one cat.
- A similar Summersdale book, *What is Your Cat Really Thinking?* (ISBN: 9781849539487), has sold over 65,000 copies.
- Other similar Summersdale titles include: *Cat Yoga* (ISBN: 9781787832466); *The Cat Owner's Survival Guide* (ISBN: 9781800074019); *Why Your Cat Thinks You're an Idiot* (ISBN: 9781800079304); *How to Tame Your Cat* (ISBN: 9781800077126).

Publication date	Thursday, September 10, 2026
Price	£8.99 / ₹799
Main Identifier	9781837999590
BIC 2.1	Gift books (WZG) Humour (WH) Cats as pets (WNGC) Domestic animals & pets (WNG)
Binding	Hardback
Format	158 x 120mm
Extent	96 pages
Word Count	3000 words
Illustrations	45 full-colour illustrations
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

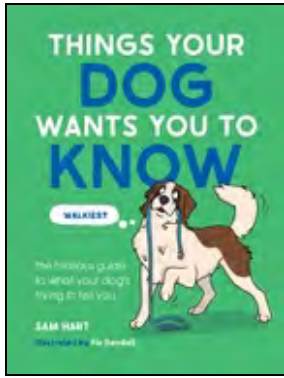
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Things Your Dog Wants You to Know The Hilarious Guide to What Your Dog's Trying to Tell You

Sam Hart

Description

A hilarious book of tongue-in-cheek advice for dog parents who are looking to understand their furry friend's inner thoughts.

(Spoiler alert: your dog is obsessed with you.)

Ever wondered what's on your dog's mind when they follow you everywhere (including to the bathroom), shower you with wet kisses, or knock you clean off your feet when they welcome you back home? Well, in this illustrated little book of humorous observations and insights, you will discover what your dog really thinks of you and learn to understand their silly, playful and completely besotted language.

Packed with charming illustrations and witty captions, this book is guaranteed to put a smile on the face of any dog parent. Each page helps you understand your four-legged friend's goofy, obsessive and endlessly energetic personality.

Discover the many things your dog is trying to tell you, such as:

- "Please order more presents so I can see my best friend, the postie, every day!"
- "Thank you so much for always leaving out socks, shoes and pieces of furniture for me to play with."
- "It's so kind of you to constantly share the food from your plate with me."

And much more! So, dive in to become fluent in doggy dialect and gain a unique view into the mind of your number one fan.

Sales Points

- There are approximately 13.5 million pet dogs in the UK, with sources showing that around 36 per cent of households own at least one dog.
- A similar Summersdale book, *What is Your Dog Really Thinking?* (ISBN: 9781849539166), has sold over 52,000 copies.
- Other similar Summersdale titles include: *The Dog Owner's Survival Guide* (ISBN: 9781800074002); *The Little Instruction Book for Dog Parents* (ISBN: 9781837993642); *Why Your Dog Thinks You're a Hero* (ISBN: 9781800079311).

Publication date	Thursday, September 10, 2026
Price	£8.99 / ₹799
Main Identifier	9781837999613
BIC 2.1	Gift books (WZG) Humour (WH) Dogs as pets (WNGD)
Binding	Hardback
Format	158 x 120mm
Extent	96 pages
Word Count	3000 words
Illustrations	45 full-colour illustrations
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

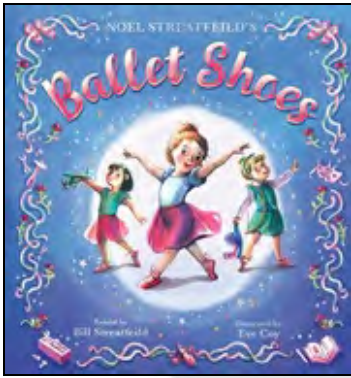
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Ballet Shoes
A picture book retelling of a timeless tale
Bill Streatfeild (Illustrated By Eve Coy)

Keynote

An exquisitely illustrated picture book of Noel Streatfeild's beloved classic - *Ballet Shoes* - retold by her nephew, Bill Streatfeild. The perfect gift for little dancers.

Description

The first official picture book adaptation of *Ballet Shoes*, beautifully illustrated and sure to capture the imaginations and hearts of a new generation of readers.

Meet Pauline, Petrova and Posy Fossil - three adopted sisters who share a dream of truly making something of their name.

Posy, the youngest of the sisters, loves to dance, twirl and prance. Pauline, the eldest sister, also feels happiest on stage treading the boards as an actress. But, Petrova, the middle sister, would rather be behind the scenes.

As the young girls start their journey at The Children's Academy of Dance and Stage Training, will they be able to discover their true callings, tap into their own unique talents, and work together to achieve their dreams?

With a heartwarming message of the unbreakable bonds of sisterhood and following your true passions, this retelling of a timeless tale is brought to life with beautiful storytelling and stunning artwork by Eve Coy.

Reimagined by Bill Streatfeild, nephew of Noel, and endorsed by the Streatfeild estate.

Sales Points

- Adapting the much-beloved classic and timeless tale that has captured imaginations all over the world, now accessing a whole new generation of readers
- Noel Streatfeild's nephew, Bill, adapted the text for a picture book audience, pulling out the themes of sisterhood, perseverance and following your own dreams
- Beautifully illustrated by Eve Coy, a true fan of the original novel, staying true to many details in her stunning artwork
- A nostalgia purchase for those who loved the novel, but also the perfect gift for ballet lovers

Author Biography

Eve Coy is a freelance illustrator and animator living in the Cotswolds, England. She gained an MA in Children's Illustration from the Cambridge School of Art and her first picture book was shortlisted for the Klaus Flugge Prize. She is also a co-director of Paper & Clay Ltd.

Publication date	Thursday, September 10, 2026
Price	£14.99 / ₹1099
Main Identifier	9781444964493
Thema 1.6	Picture storybooks (YBCS) Children's / Teenage fiction: Family and home stories (YFN) 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	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

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



Publication date	Thursday, September 10, 2026
Price	£20.00 / ₹1799
Main Identifier	9781444974928
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage fiction and true stories: Cultural heritage / traditional stories (YFJ) Children's / Teenage: Anthologies (YDC) Children's / Teenage general interest: Countries, places, cultures and national identity (YNMC) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) Interest age: from c 5 years (SAF)
CBMC	B3M79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Picture Book
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	290x225
Extent	96 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
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Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
US	Refer to Publisher

A Magical World of Bedtime Stories 24 Tales Inspired by Folklore

James Randall (Illustrated By Freya Hartas)

Keynote

An illustrated treasury of bedtime stories inspired by folklore from around the world

Description

Snuggle up for a magical journey with **24 enchanting bedtime stories** from around the world - one for every hour children fall asleep somewhere on Earth. From mysterious forests and clever, mischievous animals to starlit skies and flying beds, each tale is a window into the rich folklore, nature, and traditions of a different country.

Written by **James Randall** and brought to life with charming illustrations by **Freya Hartas**, this truly global collection will capture imaginations and inspire sweet dreams night after night.

Sales Points

- An innovative twist on the traditional bedtime story treasury, inspired by local myth and folklore
- Includes supporting real-life facts around the inspiration behind each story
- Truly magical illustrations by Freya Hartas bring the stories and their characters to vivid life

Author Biography

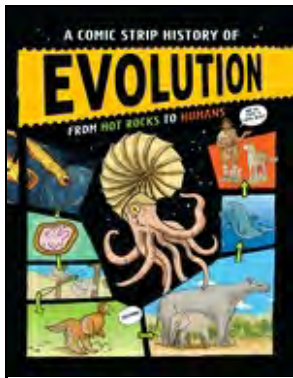
James Randall (Author)

James Randall is an anthropologist and writer, who crafts stories for children on imaginative, exploratory and wilderness themes, and non-fiction on creativity and cultural history. He holds a PhD in English and Comparative Literature and a master's in social Anthropology. He has worked for Bloomsbury Publishing and is a past volunteer at the Ministry of Stories. He lives in Bath, UK.

Freya Hartas (Illustrator)

Freya is a Bristol-based illustrator specialising in children's books. She live with her partner and their ancient black cat, Katsu, and works from a cluttered desk in a shared studio down the road. She graduated from Falmouth University with a first class honours in BA Illustration in 2014.

Freya loves to conjure up humorous characters, animals and monsters, creating the most fantastical worlds for them to inhabit. She has worked on picture books and classic chapter-book illustrations aimed at older children.



Publication date	Thursday, June 11, 2026
Price	£9.99 / ₹799
Main Identifier	9781445192543
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Nature, animals, the natural world (YNN) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-A CJ) Interest age: from c 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	284x216
Depth	10mm
Extent	64 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

February 2025

A Comic Strip History of Planet Earth: Part 1

July 2025

A Comic Strip History of Planet Earth: Part 2

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A Comic Strip History of Evolution From Hot Rocks to Humans

Anna Claybourne (Illustrated By Emmanuel Cerisier)

Keynote

A funny, fresh comic-strip look at the incredible history of life on Earth

Description

A funny, fresh comic-strip look at the incredible history of life on Earth

Take a whirlwind comic strip trip through 4.5 billion fascinating years of evolution, discovering how life on Earth began and how it diversified, the weird and wonderful first animals, the age of the dinosaurs, the first humans and much, much more.

A Comic Strip History of Evolution works as a timeline, combining information spreads with comic strip stories, and is supported throughout by high-interest facts and plenty of humour. Perfect for kids aged 9 and up.

Contents:

How it started / In the soup / It's all about the genes / Single cells rule! / Lots more species... / Animals arrive / Life explosion! / Evolving ecosystems / Oh no - species disaster! / Land takeover / Green planet / Into the air! / Four-legged fish / Age of the dinosaurs / Fossil focus / Reptile world / Mini-mammals / Is it a bird? / Watch out dinosaurs! / Gone forever! / Massive mammals / Looks familiar! / The human family / Types of evolution / Smart humans / Changing wild species / Understanding evolution / It's still going on! / Evolution timeline / Glossary / Index

Sales Points

- Dynamic comic-strip approach makes the books engaging, accessible and funny
- Timeline structure gives each book a clear historical span and makes the reading experience feel like a journey
- Written by award-winning science author Anna Claybourne and expertly illustrated by graphic artist Emmanuel Cerisier

Summary of Contents

How it started / In the soup / It's all about the genes / Single cells rule! / Lots more species... / Animals arrive / Life explosion! / Evolving ecosystems / Oh no - species disaster! / Land takeover / Green planet / Into the air! / Four-legged fish / Age of the dinosaurs / Fossil focus / Reptile world / Mini-mammals / Is it a bird? / Watch out dinosaurs! / Gone forever! / Massive mammals / Looks familiar! / The human family / Types of evolution / Smart humans / Changing wild species / Understanding evolution / It's still going on! / Evolution timeline / Glossary / Index

Author Biography

Anna Claybourne (Author)

Anna Claybourne has written over 150 children's books on all kinds of subjects, from sharks, black holes and splitting the atom to how to draw, Shakespeare's life, and Greek myths and legends. She knows a lot about conservation in the rain forests of Costa Rica as she once volunteered there for three months. She likes space, sewing and music, plays the trombone and loves going camping.

Emmanuel Cerisier (Illustrator)

Emmanuel was born in 1970 and lives with his family in the west of France. He graduated from the Higher School of Graphic Arts in Paris in 1995 (ESAG Penninghen). His work involves digital and gouache illustrations for non fiction books, novels, and children's magazines and comics.

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Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Ball games and sports: Association football (Soccer) (YNWD1) 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	246x189
Extent	72 pages
Word Count	
Series	Icons
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Football Icons: Ronaldo

Simon Mugford

Keynote

Follow Cristiano Ronaldo's story with this fact-packed book filled with amazing photos!

Description

Get up close with football icon Cristiano Ronaldo! This fun guide to Ronaldo's career is packed full of amazing photography. Discover how he began at Sporting CP, became a superstar at Manchester United, scored goals for fun at Real Madrid, and helped Portugal win Euro 2016 and the Nations League. With cool trivia, essential stats and stunning photography, it celebrates some of Ronaldo's biggest and most unforgettable moments on the pitch

Sales Points

- Brand new football biography series with photography throughout.
- Filled with facts and stats and written in a simple, accessible style, perfect for reluctant readers.
- Cristiano Ronaldo is still one of the world's biggest football stars, with five UEFA Champions League titles, major international trophies with Portugal, and around 672 million followers on Instagram.
- Written by Simon Mugford, the million-selling *Football Superstars* author.

Author Biography

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

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Football Icons: Messi

Simon Mugford

Keynote

Follow Lionel Messi's story with this fact-packed book filled with amazing photos!

Description

Get up close with the GOAT of international football! This fun guide to Messi's career is packed full of amazing photography. Find out how Messi started his journey in professional football, read all about the teams he's played for, and follow him all the way to his amazing international success as a World Cup winner. It's full of cool trivia, essential stats and stunning photography from Messi's greatest moments on the pitch.

Sales Points

- Brand new football biography series with photography throughout.
- Filled with facts and stats and written in a simple, accessible style, perfect for reluctant readers.
- Messi continues to be one of the world's biggest football stars, with a 2022 world cup win and over 500 million followers on Instagram.
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Price	£9.99 / ₹799
Main Identifier	9781839553660
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Ball games and sports: Association football (Soccer) (YNWD1) Children's / Teenage general interest: Biography and autobiography (YNB) 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
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Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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Embargo Date	Sunday, January 01, 2045
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Price	£10.99 / ₹699
Main Identifier	9780349450568
Thema 1.6	Modern and Contemporary romance (FRD)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	320 pages
Word Count	
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Not for Sale	Can; USA
Book locale	US
Author living in UNITED STATES	US
Publisher	Pocket Books imprint of Simon & Schuster Publisher
1st Serial	Little, Brown Book Group Ltd
2nd Serial	Little, Brown Book Group Ltd
Audio	Little, Brown Book Group Ltd
Dramatisation and documentary	Paul O'Halloran
Electronic	Little, Brown Book Group Ltd
Film and TV	Paul O'Halloran
Large print	Little, Brown Book Group Ltd
Podcast	Paul O'Halloran
Translation	Paul O'Halloran
Undramatised (straight) reading	Little, Brown Book Group Ltd
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Scandalized the perfect steamy Hollywood romcom

Ivy Owens

Keynote

Fall in love with this steamy romance debut, perfect for readers of Tessa Bailey and Rosie Danan's sexy romances, in which journalist Georgia Ross reunites with old friend turned TV star, Alec Kim, to find more than just old memories - but a scandalous love affair!

Description

'The most steamy, scorching, smart, sweet, exhilarating, passionate, swoony book I could ever imagine' ALI HAZELWOOD

A one-night stand between two old friends ignites a passionate romance, but when a celebrity scandal threatens to tear them apart, they must decide how hard to fight for love - a perfect steamy romance for fans of Tessa Bailey, Helen Hoang and Rosie Danan. Originally published under the pseudonym Ivy Owens by Christina Lauren co-author Lauren Billings.

Exhausted and on deadline with a career-defining story, investigative journalist Georgia Ross is at her breaking point when a cancelled flight leaves her stranded overnight. But things start looking up when she runs into a familiar face - her childhood best friend's older brother - who offers a helping hand.

Alec Kim is handsome, humble, and kind - the type of man Gigi had forgotten existed. One night of reconnection and no-strings-attached passion feels like a gift . . . until she realizes that their childhood connection isn't the only reason he seems so familiar.

Determined to prove he's more than his fame, Alec comes clean - even revealing his family's connection to the story Gigi has been chasing. But as their feelings grow deeper, Gigi and Alec must face a new reality . . . one in which both of their hard-won careers are put directly in the path of an international scandal.

Praise for *SCANDALIZED*:

'This book is **pure magic!**' **HELEN HOANG**

'*Scandalized* is **the definition of spicy** - bursting with tension and teasing, banter and blistering chemistry' **ROSIE DANAN**

'Sizzling chemistry, with a tremendous amount of heart, **it's the oh-hey-that's-my-friend's-brother-and-wowza-has-he-grown-up book that we all need in our lives right now!**' **SUSAN LEE**

'**Blistering hot chemistry** and an edge of suspense that demands a one-sitting read!' **TESSA BAILEY**

'A perfect blend of **passion, emotion, and fun!**' **KATE CLAYBORN**

'A **frothy, seductive escape** . . . Gigi and Alec's chemistry positively **burns up these pages!**' **RACHEL LYNN SOLOMON**

'Achingly raw, breathlessly passionate, and authentically warm, **capturing the thrill of falling into bed with your dream guy**, only to discover a deep, effortless love' **ERIN, co-host of the Heaving Bosoms Podcast**

'Alec and Gigi are a romantic fantasy that feels so viscerally real, it's **nothing short of magical!**' **SONALI DEV**

Sales Points

- An amazing, sexy debut romance from an assured author - we already have many incredible reviews
- *Scandalized* is a brilliant steamy romcom that we originally published under the pseudonym Ivy Owens. The author has now announced herself as Lauren Billings, one half of powerhouse romance duo Christina Lauren! To celebrate, we are reissuing with a brand new cover, under Lauren's real name.

Reviews

- 'This book is pure magic!' - Helen Hoang, New York Times bestselling author of *The Heart Principle* and *The Kiss Quotient*
- 'I strongly suspect that Ivy Owens has smashed my skull open, inventoried every single thing I adore about romance novels, and then used the knowledge to write the most steamy, scorching, smart, sweet, exhilarating, passionate, swoony book I could



ever imagine. I will literally need everyone to read SCANDALIZED, so that when I quote by heart my favourite scenes they can quote theirs to me, and we can bond over the magnificent experience of being swept away by Ivy Owens's magical writing' - Ali Hazelwood, New York Times bestselling author of *The Love Hypothesis*

- 'I wish I could express how much unfiltered joy and pure 100 proof escape I've gotten from this book. I don't remember the last time I reread a book this many times. Alec and Gigi are a romantic fantasy that feels so viscerally real, it's nothing short of magical' - Sonali Dev, USA Today bestselling author of *Recipe for Persuasion*
- '*Scandalized* is a delicious, unputdownable romance. Sizzling chemistry, with a tremendous amount of heart, it's the oh-hey-that's-my-friend's-brother-and-wowza-has-he-grown-up book that we all need in our lives right now' - Susan Lee, author of *Seoulmates*

Author Biography

Lauren Billings is the 'Lauren half' of *New York Times* bestselling writing duo Christina Lauren. *Scandalized* was a labour of love written in the wild paradox of boredom and inspiration during the pandemic. She lives in California with her husband, two kids, and two dogs, and is rarely seen without a book in hand. Follow her on Instagram and X at @ChristinaLauren.

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The King Under the Mountain In Search of J.R.R. Tolkien

D. J. Taylor

Keynote

A short, provocative and suggestive account of one of history's most original literary giants: J. R. R. Tolkien's life.

Description

Rather than a mammoth life and times, *In Search of Tolkien* gives what this literary giant's legacy needs: a shorter, more provocative and more suggestive account of his life and work which explores hidden corners and previously unseen trails - obliquely executed and determined to bring us back to the books that are deeply loved and respected across the globe. It heads towards the heart of a writer who has managed to acquire an extraordinary international reputation. Indeed, Tolkien's many admirers have never been allowed to find out very much about him - that is, until now.

Sales Points

- As we've seen from the success of Katherine Rundell's *Super-Infinite*, the appetite for smart, literary biographies is very much still alive.
- The last Tolkien biography which made a mark was published in 1977 - there's space in the market for a novel, shorter, more nuanced and suggestive biography of this literary giant.
- DJ Taylor is an established biographer, having published the award winning *Orwell: The Life*, and more recently *Orwell: The New Life*, to glowing reviews.

Author Biography

D.J. Taylor's *Orwell: The Life* won the 2003 Whitbread Prize for Biography. His other works of non-fiction include *Thackeray* (1999), *Bright Young People: The Rise and Fall of a Generation 1918-1940* (2007), *The Prose Factory: Literary Life in England Since 1918* (2016) and *Lost Girls: Love, War and Literature 1939-1951* (2019). He has written a dozen novels, including *English Settlement* (1996), which won a Grinzane Cavour Prize, *Trespass* (1998) and *Derby Day* (2011), both of which were longlisted for the Man Booker Prize. His most recent books are the short story collection *Stewkey Blues* (2022) and *Critic at Large: Essays and Reviews 2010-2022* (2023). His journalism appears in a variety of publication on both sides of the Atlantic, including the *Times Literary Supplement*, the *Guardian*, the *New Criterion*, the *Critic* and *Private Eye*. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature and lives in Norwich with his wife, the novelist Rachel Hore.

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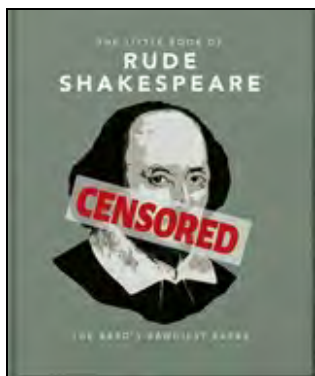
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The Little Book of Rude Shakespeare

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Keynote

Experience the Bard unbuttoned - brimming with bawdy jests, barbed insults and a mischievous flair that still stings today.

Description

Shakespeare may be celebrated for his timeless tragedies and romantic sonnets, but he was also a master of mischief.

The Little Book of Rude Shakespeare proves that Elizabethan wit could be as saucy and scandalous as anything today. From outrageous wordplay to lines that still raise eyebrows, it gathers the best of the Bard's sharp-tongued insults, risqué quips and salacious double entendres. Sprinkled with surprising facts about Elizabethan life and Shakespeare's world, it's a witty reminder that the man who penned some of the most sublime lines in the English language was never above a bawdy joke.

Perfect for gifting or keeping at hand for your next verbal duel, this book is proof that Shakespeare's humour remains as wicked - and as funny - as ever.

Sample content:

"I am one that comes to tell you your daughter and the Moor are now making the beast with two backs."

Othello, Act 1, Scene 1

"Thou art a boil, a plague sore, an embossed carbuncle in my corrupted blood."

King Lear, Act 2, Scene 4

"Thou art as fat as butter."

Henry IV, Part 1, Act 2, Scene 4

Sales Points

- Shakespeare remains the world's most performed playwright, with his works translated into over 100 languages.
- His witty insults and bawdy jokes are as funny today as they were 400 years ago.
- A perfect gift for theatre lovers, literature fans or anyone who enjoys biting wit.
- Offers both laugh-out-loud lines and fascinating facts in one compact package.

Author Biography

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

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Icons of Style: BTS The story of the K-pop fashion icons

Welbeck

Keynote

A fully illustrated exploration of the K-pop sensations, BTS

Description

Since day one, BTS have rewritten the fashion rules, from the red carpet to the arena.

Whether in sunshine-hued tailoring or as ambassadors for Virgil Abloh's Louis Vuitton, Jin, Suga, J-Hope, RM, Jimin, V and Jungkook nail boy-brand style. Taking the matchy-matchy boy-band template and each giving it their own spin with oversized accessories, pattern clashing and impeccable styling, the supergroup have designers queuing up to dress them - Prada, Givenchy, Valentino, Bottega Veneta - take your pick.

With this lavishly illustrated guide to their style evolution, key looks and signature pieces, dive into the sharp, luxe, coordinated-yet-quirky world of the Bangtan Boys.

Sales Points

- Due to come back with an album/tour in spring 2026 following the end of their military service
- Sold over 44m albums domestically, best-selling Korean act of all time
- Their comeback album will be their first since *Proof*, which was the best-selling album of 2022 in South Korea: nearly 3.5m copies sold.
- Record holders as the most-streamed group on Spotify, and first K-pop act to top both the Billboard 200 and the Billboard Artist 100 charts.
- Author is expert in EMEA fashion, covering this region for CNN. A huge BTS fan, she has even visited the BTS museum in Seoul for research

Author Biography

Kati Chitrakorn is CNN style editor (EMEA) and was acting fashion editor of the *Financial Times*. Previously, she was a reporter at *Business of Fashion*, where she worked on the launch of *The Business of Beauty*. She has also worked at *WWD* and the *International Herald Tribune*. She lives in London, UK.

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Extent	224 pages
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Illustrations	100 colour and black and white images
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K-Pop: The Ultimate Fan Book Your Essential Guide to the Hottest K-Pop Bands

Malcolm Croft

Keynote

A vibrant illustrated guide to all the bands, songs and styles behind the most diverse and exciting genre in pop music today.

Description

Discover the hottest bands, songs and styles behind the most exciting genre in music: K-Pop!

Whether you're a long-time member of the BTS ARMY or you can't get enough of HUNTR/X and the Saja Boys from *KPop Demon Hunters*, *K-Pop: The Ultimate Fan Book* is your essential guide to the best that this diverse and exciting genre has to offer.

This stunning new entry in the *Ultimate Fan Book* series features profiles of all the biggest K-Pop acts, from BlackPink and Stray Kids to TWICE and SEVENTEEN, as well as chapters on the fashion, dances and songs that have helped make K-Pop the biggest musical phenomenon of the decade. Packed with dozens of vibrant photos and a gorgeous, eye-catching design, this is a must-have companion for K-Pop lovers of all ages, and the perfect gift for the K-Pop fan in your life.

Sales Points

- This vibrantly illustrated fan book is an all-out celebration of the hottest musical phenomenon of the moment: K-Pop.
- Fully revised and updated, it features profiles of the genre's biggest and most popular boy- and girl-bands, with insightful info and stunning photos for each.
- BTS are the world's biggest K-Pop band, with more than 45 billion streams on Spotify alone, and they will reunite in 2025 for a long-awaited tour following their military service.
- Also features Netflix's *KPop Demon Hunters*, which became the service's most-watched film of all time with more than 400 million views in 2025.
- The *Ultimate Fan Book* series has sold more than 200,000 copies worldwide, and been translated into more than 10 languages.

Author Biography

Malcolm Croft is a celebrated author and music journalist. He has worked with many of the world's most important bands, including the Flaming Lips, Coldplay, The Verve and many others. He is the author of over 15 books on popular culture and music including *The Selfie Book*. Malcolm lives in London.

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Little Book of Chanel Emma Baxter-Wright

Author Biography

Emma Baxter-Wright (Author)

Emma Baxter-Wright has taught fashion journalism at University of the Arts London and UCA. She has contributed to many publications including the *New York Observer*, *Cosmopolitan* and *Marie Claire*, and is the bestselling author of *Little Book of Chanel* and *Chanel in 55 Objects*. Emma lives in London.

Welbeck (Author)

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Little Book of Hermès
The story of the iconic fashion house
Karen Homer

Author Biography

Karen Homer is an established fashion journalist who worked as a fashion columnist for *The Times* and has contributed to the *Telegraph*, *Harpers & Queen*, *Elle*, *World of Interiors* and *Vogue*. She is the bestselling author of the *Little Book of Dior* and *Things a Woman Should Know About Style*. She lives in London.

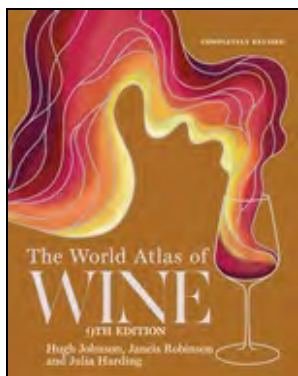
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The World Atlas of Wine 9th edition

Hugh Johnson, Jancis Robinson & Julia Harding

Keynote

A major new edition of this landmark wine book that has sold close to 5 million copies worldwide.

Description

"The World Atlas of Wine is the single most important reference book on the shelf of any wine student." - Eric Asimov, *New York Times*

"Simply superb work... buy it if you like wine at all." - Victoria Moore, *Telegraph*

"The most useful single volume on wine ever published... If I owned only one wine book, it would be this one." - Andrew Jefford, *Decanter*

Few wine books can be called classic, but the first edition of *The World Atlas of Wine* made publishing history when it appeared in 1971 and subsequent editions have ensured it remains the most authoritative, must-have wine reference work available. This ninth edition will bring readers, both old and new, up to date with the fascinating and rewarding world of wine.

To reflect all the changes in the global wine scene since the last edition in 2019, 18 brand-new maps have been added to the wealth of superb cartography in the book. The incisive text has been given a complete overhaul to address the topics of most vital interest to today's wine-growers and drinkers including the impact of climate change resulting in new wine-growing in the far north of Europe and the sustainability initiatives being explored globally.

With beautiful photography throughout, Hugh Johnson and Jancis Robinson, the world's most respected wine-writing duo, working with esteemed maps editor Julia Harding, have once again joined forces to create a classic that no wine lover can afford to be without.

Sales Points

- **WORLDWIDE BESTSELLER:** The 8th edition of the book has been translated into 14 languages and has sold more than 165k copies in the English language since publication in 2019.
- **SUBJECT AUTHORITY:** Hailed as the 'Bordeaux and Burgundy of wine writers' by *The Times*, Hugh Johnson and Jancis Robinson are globally recognized as the most respected wine writers in the world, providing authoritative, comprehensive and inspiring text.
- **MARKET LEADER:** The seminal work on wine from the UK's number one drinks publisher.

Author Biography

Hugh Johnson (Author)

Hugh Johnson has led the world of wine writing in many new directions over the six decades since his first book, *Wine*, was published in 1966. *The World Atlas of Wine*, his *Wine Companion* (now in its sixth edition), the annual *Pocket Wine Book* (since 1977), *The Story of Wine*, following a 13-part TV series, and his memoirs, *A Life Uncorked*, have all been bestsellers. In 2004, Hugh was made a Chevalier of the Ordre National du Mérite by President Chirac, and in 2007, he was awarded an OBE for services to winemaking and horticulture, two of his great passions.

Jancis Robinson (Author)

Jancis Robinson is described by *Decanter* magazine as "the most respected wine critic and journalist in the world". She is editor in chief of the award-winning JancisRobinson.com and writes weekly for the *Financial Times*. In addition to co-authoring *The World Atlas of Wine* since its 5th edition, she is founding editor of *The Oxford Companion to Wine*, and co-author of *Wine Grapes*. Jancis was the first person outside the wine trade to qualify as a Master of Wine, in 1984. She was awarded an OBE in 2003, France's Officier du Mérite Agricole and the German VDP's highest honour in 2016, and has six James Beard Awards. She also has two Lifetime Achievement Awards - from the IWSC (2018) and the Institute of Masters of Wine (2024).

Julia Harding (Author)

Julia Harding is a distinguished wine writer, editor, and Master of Wine, renowned for her expertise and attention to detail. For over 20 years, she has been Jancis Robinson's senior editor at JancisRobinson.com. Julia co-authored *Wine Grapes* (2012), was lead editor for the 5th edition of *The Oxford Companion to Wine*, and has edited the maps for *The World Atlas of Wine* since the 7th edition. She has received numerous accolades for



her writing, including Wines of Portugal Personality of 2022 and the 67 Pall Mall Global Wine Communicator award for long-form writing 2025.

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The Wit & Wisdom of Jane Goodall

A celebration of a national treasure

Chas Newkey-Burden

Keynote

A celebration of the national treasure, Jane Goodall.

Description

She was one of the one most influential scientists of our time...

Jane Goodall led a life full of adventure, exploration and fierce advocacy for the planet. Her groundbreaking research on chimpanzees made her world famous, and she spent the rest of her career spreading a message of hope.

This book celebrates her incredible life and legacy.

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'Beneath that fierce honesty was an unwavering faith that every voice matters'
Leonardo DiCaprio

'Her boundless curiosity, compassion and pioneering spirit transformed our understanding of the natural world'
Prince William

'A great champion of environmental protection'
Sir David Attenborough

'Jane Goodall had a remarkable ability to inspire us to connect with the natural wonders of our world.'

Barak Obama

Sales Points

- **ANNIVERSARY MOMENT:** The book will publish in September ahead of 1st October which marks the first-year anniversary of Dame Jane's death.
- **GIFT OPPORTUNITY:** This book is brilliant for gifting and the perfect stocking filler for Christmas.
- **A LASTING LEGACY:** Jane Goodall's profile is particularly big in the USA. Her institute continues her legacy of advocating for the natural world.
- **COMPS:** The Wit & Wisdom of David Attenborough has sold over 8k copies.

Author Biography

Writer **Chas Newkey-Burden** is the author of over 30 books including *Great Email Disasters* and a best-selling biography of Amy Winehouse. His magazine work has included interviewing celebrities like David Beckham and Ricky Gervais.

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World Formula One Records 2027

Bruce Jones

Keynote

All the facts and stats from the world of Formula One, including stories and trivia for all the top teams, drivers and famous circuits, plus all-time records.

Description

This fantastic collection of F1 facts, stats and stories is back for a great new edition!

World Formula One Records 2027 offers lively, fun and fascinating facts, stats, stories and trivia from the high-octane world of F1. Featuring the best teams, star drivers and most famous circuits, the book also has all-time records, from 1950 onwards.

This new edition has the low-down on teams such as Ferrari, McLaren and Red Bull; drivers such as Lewis Hamilton, Max Verstappen and Ayrton Senna; and tracks like Silverstone, Monaco and Suzuka; plus all-time wins, points, titles, pole positions and much, much more.

This wonderful annual brings the most exciting sport on the planet to life!

Sales Points

- Thousands of up-to-date facts, stats and fascinating pieces of trivia are crammed into this title, all illustrated with 300 hundred photos.
- This updated 2027 edition is a sister volume to the bestselling *World Football Records* book, which has sold 500,000 copies.
- All the biggest names and locations in the sport are featured, from Lewis Hamilton and Max Verstappen to Ferrari and McLaren, and from Monaco to Silverstone.
- F1 is one of the world's most-watched sports. In 2023, 1.5 billion fans watched on TV, 70.5 million people followed on social media and a record 5.7 million fans attended live races.

Author Biography

Bruce Jones, a former editor of *Autosport* magazine, is one of the most respected commentators and reporters on the motor racing scene around the world. As well as the best-selling annual *Formula One Guide*, Bruce has written numerous other books, including *Formula One: The Illustrated History*, *The Treasures of Formula One*, *Grand Prix Yesterday & Today* and *World Formula One Records*. He lives in Dorset.

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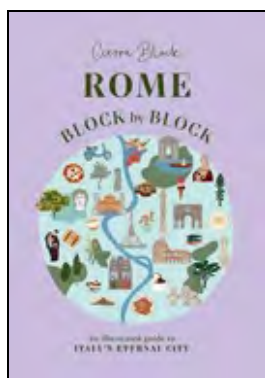
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Rome Block by Block

An illustrated guide to Italy's eternal city

Cierra Block

Keynote

A guide to the unmissable places to go, covering everything from art to architecture, and food to fashion, all illustrated with 50 of Cierra Block's distinctive maps.

Description

From gladiators and gods to piazzas and pizza, artist Cierra Block unlocks the secrets of the city in Rome Block by Block.

Vibrantly illustrated and packed with insider-knowledge on the most notable places to eat, what to see, where to walk and what to do, this is a guide like no other.

Discover the masterpieces of Michealangelo, meander the magnificent Colosseum, make a wish in the Trevi Fountain or indulge in delicious *pasta alla carbonara* - the options are endless! Find out how to immerse yourself in ancient architecture, browse elegant boutiques and sample the very best gelato in town with Rome Block by Block, a stunning guide to one of the most loved cities in the world.

Sales Points

- The next in Cierra Block's stunning travel series, following London, New York, Paris and Barcelona. For those on their first visit, seasoned travellers and lifetime locals alike.
- 50 hand-painted maps showing the locations of key places and capturing the character of each area.
- Cierra Block's following continues to rise with 45k on Instagram.
- Rome is a major tourist destination, with around 35 million visitors in 2023 and a record 60 million visitors to museums and galleries in 2024.
- Highly giftable book, whether planning the trip of a lifetime, a souvenir from a holiday or for an Italy-loving friend.

Author Biography

Cierra Block (Author)

Cierra Block is an artist, illustrator and city lover. Her art is bold, eye-catching and instantly engaging. With 45k followers on Instagram and a successful website, London Block by Block, her popularity is continuing to grow. There are six books in the series: *Tokyo Block by Block* (2026), *Amsterdam Block by Block* (2026), *Barcelona Block by Block* (2025), *London Block by Block* (2022), *New York Block by Block* (2023), and *Paris Block by Block* (2024). She lives in Frome, Somerset.

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The RSC Official Shakespeare Puzzle Book

Royal Shakespeare Company

Keynote

A fiendishly difficult collection of Shakespeare brainteasers, logic puzzles, riddles and trivia games designed to amuse, bemuse, and confuse even the most ardent lovers of The Bard.

Description

Think you know your Malvolio from your Mercutio and your Falstaff from your Feste? Reckon you can tell your *quartos* from your *folios* and your *iambic pentameter* from your *trochaic tetrameter*?

Dive into an illustrated world of scrambled sonnets, tangled timelines, hidden messages and logic puzzles that would puzzle even Prospero. Identify the play from the illustrated scene, spot which line Shakespeare DIDN'T write, name the character based on a description of their life and more in this beautifully designed puzzle book, guaranteed to delight groundlings and gallery patrons alike.

This brain-bending journey through Elizabethan England is the ideal gift for pub-quiz champions, literature lovers, and anyone who relishes wordplay and Shakespearean intrigue.

Sales Points

- **COMP TITLES:** *The Little Book of Shakespeare* has sold 48k copies, while Shakespearian insult book *Shakespeare: The Bard's Guide to Abuses and Affronts* has sold 28k, and DK's *The Essential Shakespeare Handbook* has sold 24k.
- **CULTURAL MOMENT:** 2025 saw the release of the film *Hamnet*, based on the best-selling book by Maggie O'Farrel which dramatizes the marriage between Anne Hathaway and William Shakespeare. The film is a front-runner for the Academy Awards and looks poised to win Oscar gold in at least one of the acting categories.
- **PUZZLE CRAZE:** The wordplay craze that saw tens of millions of daily Wordle players in 2022 is far from abating, with 4 million still visiting the website each day in 2025.
- **SHAKESPEARE TOURISM:** 6 million tourists make a pilgrimage to Stratford upon Avon each year to visit the place where Shakespeare was born and is buried.

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The Dark Powers of Tolkien

DELUXE EDITION An illustrated Exploration of Tolkien's Portrayal of Evil, and the Sources that Inspired his Work from Myth, Literature and History

David Day

Keynote

A stunning gift edition of the indispensable and comprehensive handbook about the powers of darkness that shaped Middle-earth from acclaimed Tolkien scholar David Day.

Description

"For nothing is evil in the beginning" - J.R.R. Tolkien

J.R.R. Tolkien's *The Lord of the Rings*, *The Hobbit* and *The Silmarillion* are some of the greatest tales of good versus evil ever told. From the creation of Arda to the War of the Ring, Tolkien's Middle-earth has seen war and rebellion, devastation and loss, in which the powers of darkness emerged.

This deluxe edition of David Day's *The Dark Powers of Tolkien* is a handsome hardback with an embossed and foiled cover, gilt edges and ribbon marker.

Published in a larger format, this edition features some all-new artwork alongside the familiar, exquisite maps, sketches and paintings from a host of brilliant artists.

Without villains, there can be no heroes - any heroic tale is dependent on the formidable challenge posed by its darkest forces. *The Dark Powers of Tolkien* examines these mighty entities at work in Tolkien's writing and the very nature of evil itself.

Contents include:

- Melkor and the Origins of Evil
- Morgoth the Dark Enemy In the First Age
- Sauron the Ring Lord In the Second Age
- Sauron the Necromancer In the Third Age
- The Way of the Ring

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Sales Points

- *The Ring Legends of Tolkien* is a stunning new edition, containing new artwork throughout from expert Tolkien artists.
- An indispensable illustrated guide to Tolkien's mythical world and works.
- Interest in Tolkien and his works has increased due to Amazon's highly anticipated TV adaption of Tolkien's works: *The Rings of Power*, that has committed to a five season deal.
- This beautifully presented book will make the perfect gift or self-purchase.
- Comparative titles: *An Atlas of Tolkien* (Deluxe) by David Day (Cassell, 2024), £25 - LT TCM sales: 4K (vol), *The Dictionary of Tolkien* (Deluxe) by David Day (Cassell, 2024), £25 - LT TCM sales: 2.5K (vol) and *The Making of Middle-earth* by Christopher Snyder (Union Square & Co, 2022), £25 - LT TCM sales: 7.5K (vol).

Author Biography

David Day was born and brought up in Canada. He has published many books in the fields of poetry, ecology, natural history, fantasy and mythology and a number of award-winning children's books. His writing has also appeared in many magazines and anthologies.

His enduring fascination with complex mythologies led him to J.R.R. Tolkien and Day is best known for his best-selling books on the life and works of that author.

It all began with the publication of *A Tolkien Bestiary* (1979), a lavishly illustrated book that for the first time gave readers of *The Hobbit* and *The Lord of the Rings* some indication of the immense scope of Tolkien's mythology and cosmology.

Day's subsequent books include *Tolkien: The Illustrated Encyclopedia* (1992), *The World of Tolkien: The Mythological Sources of Lord of the Rings* (2002).

An Atlas of Tolkien and its companion volume, *A Dictionary of Tolkien*, were the first two books of a seven-volume reference library and more recently, *The Illustrated World of Tolkien* (2019) and *The Illustrated World of Tolkien: The Second Age* (2023), celebrate more than 40 years of Day's works and delve into the lesser-known parts of Tolkien's legendarium.

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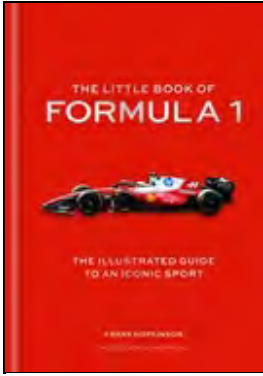
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The Little Book of Formula One

Frank Hopkinson

Keynote

A stylish, compact guide to everything F1.

Description

This is a compact treasure-trove of everything a fan would want to know about the highest adrenaline sport. Containing driver profiles, analysis of circuits, a comprehensive history spanning 75 years, as well as records and stats. *The Little Book of Formula One* is packed with information and stunning photography, all in a neat package. Featuring legends from Enzo Ferrari to Lewis Hamilton, and from Jack Brabham to Toto Wolff, this compact guide offers an insider's view of the elite teams, iconic locations and legendary characters that have shaped the sport. This is the ideal gift for F1 fans of all ages, and the perfect companion for your race-day sofa or grandstand getaway.

Sales Points

- **THE PERFECT GIFT:** an ideal present for F1 fans; perfect for a Father's Day present, Christmas stocking filler, or Secret Santa.
- **GROWING POPULARITY:** Fan enthusiasm to attend a Grand Prix has reached unprecedented levels, with 3.9 million fans attending the first 14 races of 2025 - the highest mid-season total in Formula 1 history.
- **COMP TITLES:** Bruce Jones's annual guide to F1 has sold 25k copies in 2025.
- **CULTURAL MOMENT:** June saw the global release of *F1 The Movie*, which has become the largest-grossing sports film of all time and the highest-grossing Apple film to date, surpassing \$600 million at the box office.

Author Biography

Frank Hopkinson is a writer and former sports journalist. He is a former deputy editor of *F1 Racing* magazine and producer of F1 websites for Rivals.net. He is the author of Ivy Press books *Formula One: The Circuits Then and Now* (2025), *The F1 Quizbook* (2025) and *The Illustrated Biography of Adrian Newey* (2026). Frank has also project-edited books by Andrew Benson (BBC), Nate Saunders (ESPN) and Tony Dodgins (Autocourse).

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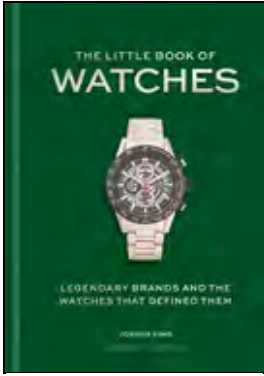
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The Little Book of Watches

Josh Sims

Keynote

A stylish, compact celebration of the iconic timepieces that shaped the world of watches.

Description

The Little Book of Watches is your pocket guide to the world of horology, diving into the stories behind legendary pieces by iconic designers like Rolex, Patek Philippe, Tag Heuer, and Omega. Beginning with an introduction to the history and technological development of watches, the book contains profiles of all the most iconic timepieces, from early pioneering models to groundbreaking wristwatches and contemporary luxury classics. Featuring full-colour archive photography in a small-but-luxury package, this is the perfect quick-reference guide for lovers of watches and fans of beautiful design.

Sales Points

- **THE PERFECT GIFT:** an ideal present for fans of watches; perfect for a Father's Day present, Christmas stocking filler, or Secret Santa.
- **THRIVING MARKET:** Worldwide, the watch industry is worth £50 billion, and £6 billion in the UK alone.
- **COMP TITLE:** *Rare Watches* has sold 52k copies.
- **REACHING NEW CONSUMERS:** Deloitte report growing demand for luxury watches both amongst female buyers and amongst Gen Z.

Author Biography

Josh Sims is a freelance style writer, contributing to the likes of *The Financial Times*, *The Independent*, *The Independent on Sunday*, *Mail on Sunday*, *Channel 4*, the *BBC*, *Esquire*, and *GQ*. He is also author of *The Little Book of Rolex* (Welbeck, 2024), *The Little Book of Patek Philippe* (Welbeck, 2026), *Retro Watches* (Thames & Hudson, 2024), *Icons of Style in 100 Garments* (Laurence King, 2024), and *Gentlemen of Style* (Laurence King, 2025).

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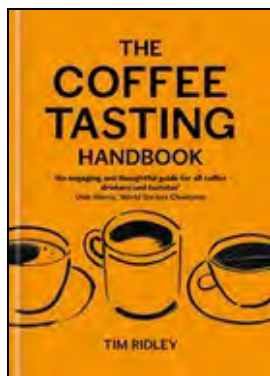
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The Coffee Tasting Handbook

Tim Ridley

Keynote

The coffee drinker's essential guide to discovering and appreciating coffee's distinctive flavours - enabling you to buy and enjoy coffee at home and in cafés with confidence every time.

Description

The Coffee Tasting Handbook is the coffee drinker's essential guide to discovering and appreciating coffee's distinctive flavours, to buy better coffee and to enjoy each time.

With 800 possible aromatic compounds, your daily coffee is packed full of unique flavours, but the array of possible flavour combinations can make tasting coffee overwhelming. Beneath the complexity, however, delicious coffees have an orderly structure.

Coffee expert and entrepreneur Tim Ridley introduces his one-of-a-kind 'coffee tasting framework', complete with coffee tasting worksheet, coffee aroma map and coffee flavour wheel, to explain:

- The defining flavour characteristics of each coffee
- Why some coffees are tastier than others
- How coffee drinkers can identify the coffee they will enjoy

With step-by-step guidance, easy to follow diagrams and gorgeous lifestyle photography, *The Coffee Tasting Handbook* brings together a history of coffee, the science of flavour and the links between taste and terroir.

A celebration of the pleasure of drinking coffee, whatever flavours you favour, this handbook is the essential purchase for any coffee lover.

Sales Points

- **COFFEE BOOKS SELL:** James Hoffman's *How to Make the Best Coffee at Home* has sold more than 280,000 copies around the world, while *The World Atlas of Coffee* has sold more than 480,000 copies across editions; outside of James Hoffmann, *The Coffee Dictionary* has sold nearly 50,000 copies and *Coffee Art* 85,000 copies.
- **EXPERT COFFEE ENTREPRENEUR FOR AUTHOR:** Tim Ridley has worked as a barista, owned a suite of coffee shops and founded United Baristas, a network of more than 10,000 baristas; he is frequently called upon as a media expert for coffee, from *The Times* to *The Telegraph*, as well as regularly delivering tasting masterclasses for industry experts.
- **NEVER-BEFORE-SEEN (IN A BOOK) TOOLBOX FOR TASTING COFFEE:** Tim's complete, foolproof framework of how to taste coffee, complete with full worksheet, aroma wheels and flavour circle to refer is exclusive to him, and has never been seen in a book before.
- **THE ANSWER TO A SEA OF COFFEE TASTING NOTES:** the book equips you to decode the myriad tasting notes on the bags found in supermarkets or specialty coffee shops, allowing you to buy better coffee and enjoy it more.

Author Biography

Tim Ridley is a coffee expert based in London and the founder of United Baristas, a network of 10,000 international baristas. He established Department of Coffee and Social Affairs, one of London's first quality coffee shops, which introduced flat whites and cold brew to a mainstream audience. He grew the business to seven sites over five years before exiting in 2015. Many of the ideas in *The Coffee Tasting Handbook* were germinated during Tim's time as a coffee-shop owner, when he was sourcing and roasting a wide range of coffees to meet customers' aspirations.

Tim is a go-to coffee expert:

- He has appeared on BBC Radio 4's *Sliced Bread* and *The Long View*, and is frequently interviewed about topical coffee issues on local and national radio.
- He wrote a regular column for *Caffeine Magazine* for three years - he has written about coffee for *Stylist*, *Good Food Magazine* and has been interviewed for *The Times*, *CityAM* and *The Telegraph*.
- He is a judge for the Guild of Fine Food's Great Taste Awards.

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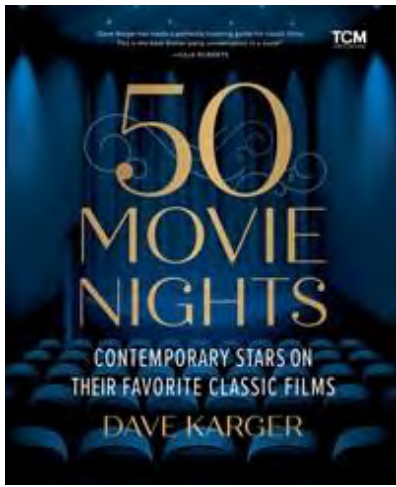
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50 Movie Nights

Contemporary Stars on Their Favorite Classic Films

Dave Karger, Turner Classic Movies

Key Selling Points

DAVE KARGER IS A HOLLYWOOD MEDIA FAVORITE: Besides being an on-air TCM host, Karger is well-known for his Oscar predictions, movie reviews, and overall film world expertise, hence his many, many appearances on morning news (like *Today* show) and entertainment TV (like *Access Hollywood*). These appearances will create natural opportunities to promote his book. Karger's active on social media too. Follow him on Instagram @davekarger (13k followers), as well as other favorite social platforms.

EXPANDED TCM PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES AND STRONG BACKLIST

POTENTIAL: During the month of publication, TCM will spotlight the book on-air, online, at events, and in print. However, Karger's daily appearances on the network will create promotional opportunities all year round. Like our two TCM *Essentials* titles, the concept of this book can sell year after year.

GREAT CAST WITH ORIGINAL INTERVIEWS: Karger is very connected with Hollywood talent and well-liked in the industry. His diverse and starry list of interviewees make for a varied and entertaining bucket list of classic films. Casual movie watchers will love it as an essential film viewing guide from experts, and more seasoned film buffs will appreciate the original, insightful perspectives on favorites from industry insiders. See full list of interviewees in TOC.

Summary

Dave Karger, Turner Classic Movies host and film expert, leads compelling and unexpected discussions with stars such as Scarlett Johansson, Paul Rudd, Sarah Jessica Parker, Sterling K. Brown, Tom Ford, Carol Burnett, Anna Kendrick, Ava DuVernay, Don Cheadle, and many more, on their top film recommendations of decades past, comprising a new essential list of must-see viewing for casual moviegoers and cinephiles alike.

In *50 Movie Nights*, fifty notables in the entertainment world get into insightful, funny, and heartfelt discussions with the author on their favorite films of the twentieth century. Some of their choices might be movies you've seen before, like Carol Burnett's pick, *Singin' in the Rain*, or Bryan Cranston's, *High Noon*. Others might be discoveries for you, like Viggo Mortensen's selection, *Lonely Are the Brave*, or Paul Rudd's, *Withnail & I*. The interviews illuminate not only why they love their choice and why they want you to see it, but also reveal a lot about themselves—how the film influenced their career or even changed their life.

The eye-opening selection of titles profiled from the 1930s through the '90s feature stars ranging from Greta Garbo to Angela Bassett, and Cary Grant to George Clooney. Virtually every film genre is represented—drama, comedy, musical, Western, thriller, biopic, international, adventure, and horror. The classic and contemporary stars and films are all showcased with stunning photography throughout.

Let *50 Movies Nights* be your guide to a new and eclectic collection of essential viewing, then inspire you to identify that one movie you love the most—and go tell everyone you know about it.

Contributor Bio

Dave Karger is an award-winning TV host, film expert, and author of *50 Oscar Nights*. He is a host on Turner Classic Movies and has made over 200 live appearances as an entertainment commentator on NBC's *Today*. He also spent over 15 years writing for *Entertainment Weekly* and served as the Academy's official red-carpet greeter on Oscar night. In 2015, Dave received the Publicist's Guild Press Award, honoring the year's outstanding entertainment journalist. He has been called "this generation's

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BTS Lyrics Inside

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Key Selling Points

OFFICIAL, AUTHORIZED BTS BOOKS CRAFTED WITH FAN BASE IN

MIND: Running Press will publish 5 officially licensed books with BTS (2 cookbooks, 2 lyric analysis books, and a quiz book) beginning in Fall 2026. BTS's fanbase, known as ARMY, is especially motivated to purchase merchandise with the band's explicit approval and involvement in the generation of content. That is the case with these projects, all of which feature exclusive interviews/commentary from the group, behind-the-scenes photographs, and more that will tap into ARMY's desire to connect with the band. *BTS Lyrics Inside* offers fans a unique window on 10 of the band's most consequential songs, including information for concert prep, lyric analysis, and more.

PERFECTLY TIMED WITH BTS'S HIGHLY ANTICIPATED NEW ALBUM AND

WORLD TOUR: 2026 marks the first time since 2022 that BTS will release an album and perform live as a group—something their millions of fans worldwide have been anxious for throughout their mandatory military service and solo activities. The band is anticipated to release a new album in March 2026, with a world tour to follow throughout the rest of the year. That activity is anticipated to generate more than **\$1 Billion** in revenue (*Billboard*), including ticket sales, album sales, and other merchandise. Our first two books, *BTS Recipe Book* and *BTS Lyrics Inside*, will publish to perfectly coincide with the world tour and unparalleled enthusiasm for all things BTS.

UNIQUE OFFERINGS WIDELY AVAILABLE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN ENGLISH

LANGUAGE: While there is an impressive amount of BTS merchandise in the marketplace, only one officially authorized book has been broadly available in English (*Beyond the Story: 10-Year Record of BTS*, Flatiron, Bookscan: 200K copies). The books Running Press is publishing have, until now, been available as "global editions" only through the official BTS merchandise sales platform (WeVerse) and a small Amazon storefront. Our publications will be the first time the books would see broad general distribution and availability into the enormous market for BTS (80.5 million Spotify followers, 77.5 million on Instagram, 57 million Tiktok), allowing for cross-merchandising and other promotional possibilities at accounts that were previously untapped.

Summary

Learn the meanings, stories, and personal messages behind some of BTS's most beloved songs—from the Most Beautiful Moments in Life series through *Proof*—in this official Bangtan keepsake, made especially for ARMY with commentary from RM, Jin, SUGA, j-hope, Jimin, V, and Jung Kook!

- **Official BTS Merchandise:** Discover everything about 10 beloved and iconic BTS songs through lyrics, interpretations, and behind-the-scenes stories from members RM, Jin, SUGA, j-hope, Jimin, V, and Jung Kook.
- **Explore BTS's Journey:** Look at songs from the Most Beautiful Moments in Life series (2015-2016) that depict youth up through the *Proof* album (2022) that concludes chapter 1 of BTS. The songs covered include "Boy With Luv (feat. Halsey)," "ON," "Life Goes On," "IDOL," "FIRE," "Magic Shop," "We Are Bulletproof: the Eternal," "Mikrokosmos," "Spring Day," and "Yet to Come."
- **Dive into the Meaning Behind the Songs:** *BTS Lyrics Inside* offers insights into album and song introductions, the song-making process, and more. Each chapter provides official translations of the lyrics, explanations of Korean expressions, detailed song interpretations, BTS members' interviews, and commentary.
- **Sing Along as You Fanchant:** Each spread shows full Hangul lyrics, easy romanized lines, and clear line-by-line English notes—great for language study and deep song analysis—alongside a cheer guide to help readers sing along to videos and at concerts.
- **Learn Korean through BTS Songs:** Get to know Korean with pronunciation

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BTS Recipe Book

BTS

Key Selling Points

OFFICIAL, AUTHORIZED BTS BOOKS CRAFTED WITH FAN BASE IN MIND:

Running Press will publish 5 officially licensed books with BTS (2 cookbooks, 2 lyric analysis books, and a quiz book) beginning in Fall 2026. BTS's fanbase, known as ARMY, is especially motivated to purchase merchandise with the band's explicit approval and involvement in the generation of content. That is the case with these projects, all of which feature exclusive interviews/commentary from the group, behind-the-scenes photographs, and more that will tap into ARMY's desire to connect with the band. The *BTS Recipe Book* draws all recipes from food the band members made themselves on their various television programs and specials—making them particularly appealing to fans—and include photographs and QR codes to watch videos of them cooking.

PERFECTLY TIMED WITH BTS'S HIGHLY ANTICIPATED NEW ALBUM AND WORLD TOUR:

2026 marks the first time since 2022 that BTS will release an album and perform live as a group—something their millions of fans worldwide have been anxious for throughout their mandatory military service and solo activities. The band is anticipated to release a new album in March 2026, with a world tour to follow throughout the rest of the year. That activity is anticipated to generate more than **\$1 Billion** in revenue (*Billboard*), including ticket sales, album sales, and other merchandise. Our first two books, *BTS Recipe Book* and *BTS Lyrics Inside*, will publish to perfectly coincide with the world tour and unparalleled enthusiasm for all things BTS.

UNIQUE OFFERINGS WIDELY AVAILABLE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE:

While there is an impressive amount of BTS merchandise in the marketplace, only one officially authorized book has been broadly available in English (*Beyond the Story: 10-Year Record of BTS*, Flatiron, Bookscan: 200K copies). The books Running Press is publishing have, until now, been available as "global editions" only through the official BTS merchandise sales platform (WeVerse) and a small Amazon storefront. Our publications will be the first time the books would see broad general distribution and availability into the enormous market for BTS (80.5 million Spotify followers, 77.5 million on Instagram, 57 million Tiktok), allowing for cross-merchandising and other promotional possibilities at accounts that were previously untapped.

Summary

ARMY, learn to cook delicious Korean food with this official, authorized recipe book featuring dishes inspired by RM, Jin, SUGA, j-hope, Jimin, V, and Jungkook of BTS, plus photos, QR codes for exclusive videos, tips, and food favorites from the members!

- **Official BTS Merchandise:** This officially licensed, authentic product is a must-have cookbook featuring authentic Korean food recipes pulled from the world of BTS, including dishes made on RUN BTS!, Bon Voyage, and In the Soop.
- **Explore BTS Members' Stories and Favorite Foods:** Dive into recipes inspired by BTS albums and stories, and get a taste of RM, Jin, SUGA, j-hope, Jimin, V, and Jung Kook's personal favorites.
- **Learn to Cook 15 Authentic Korean Dishes:** Find recipes and instructions for making Kimchi Fried Rice, Banquet Noodles, Sausage Stew, Scallion Pancake, Hand-Pulled Dough Soup, Spicy Chicken Stew, Scorched Rice Crackers, Carp Bread, Sugar-Filled Griddlecakes, Korean Fried Chicken, Simmered Rice Cakes, Korean Instant Noodles, Boiled Pork Slices, Ginseng Chicken Soup, and Braised Beef Ribs.
- **Visual Recipe Guides and Bonus Videos:** Each recipe features step-by-step visual guides with easy-to-follow, detailed instructions. Scan the QR codes throughout the book to access official recipe videos and relevant BTS video clips.
- **Includes Alternate Options for Any Diet:** Discover alternatives for Korean

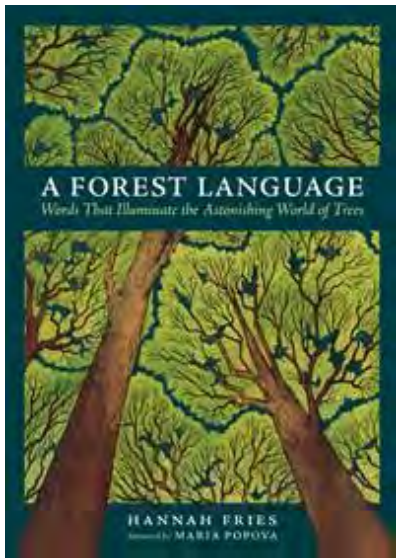
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A Forest Language

Words That Illuminate the Astonishing World of Trees

Hannah Fries, Maria Popova

Key Selling Points

A foreword by Maria Popova, author of *Universe in Verse* (also from Storey Publishing) and confirmed promotion on her hugely popular platform The Marginalian (4.7 million Facebook followers and 354K Instagram followers).

Fascinating exploration of forests and trees, for the readers of *The Hidden Life of Trees*, *Finding the Mother Tree*, and *Braiding Sweetgrass*, and anyone who wants a deeper understanding of trees and loves beautiful science and nature writing.

A gorgeously illustrated gift book, with a beautiful package. With stunning illustrations by Henrike Lendowski.

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Summary

This beautifully illustrated essay collection offers a curious and creative invitation into the world of trees and the words we use to understand them.

What is *crown shyness*, and how could a tree be shy? What is *heartwood*, and what does it have to do with the heart? So often even our scientific terms are rife with surprising etymologies and images that may reveal as much about us humans and our relationship to nature as they do about the things they describe. Words related to trees and forests are no exception. With a poet's sensibility, Hannah Fries peels back the layers of these ecological terms, reflecting on their meaning both literally and figuratively, intertwining science and metaphor.

Contributor Bio

Hannah Fries is the author of *Being with Trees* (Storey) and the poetry collection *Little Terrarium* (Hedgerow Books). Her poetry and prose have appeared in such places as *The Marginalian*, *Terrain.org*, *Orion*, and *American Poetry Review*. Her work has been nominated for the Pushcart Prize, and she was awarded a scholarship from the Bread Loaf Writers' Conference. From 2005 to 2014 she was an editor at *Orion* magazine. She grew up in the woods of New Hampshire and now lives in western Massachusetts with a forester and two tree-climbing kids.

Quotes

"A *Forest Language* reads like a quiet, necessary conversation with the living world, where every generous word—*mycorrhiza*, *sap*, *lenticil*—glows with the tenderness of a living thing. Hannah Fries brilliantly teaches us how to love trees not just as scenery, but as neighbors, mentors, and astonishing collaborators."

—**Aimee Nezhukumatathil, author of *World of Wonders***

"A *Forest Language* is an exquisite cabinet of arboreal wonders, where each term becomes a story and each story a portal into the secret lives of trees, written with the precision of a naturalist and the tenderness of a poet."—**Diane Ackerman, author of *A Natural History of the Senses***

"A welcome, nourishing encounter at the crossroads of science and poetry, of fact and meaning, of understanding and intoxicating awe."—**Jarod K. Anderson, author of *Strange Animals and Something in the Woods Loves You***

"A *Forest Language* embraces the technical vocabulary of the forest sciences, celebrating the precise meanings of these curious words while also forging a shared



Zero Lives Remaining

Adam Cesare

Key Selling Points

AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR WITH A LOYAL FOLLOWING: Adam Cesare boasts an incredibly loyal fan base across teens and adults for his Bram Stoker Award-winning and USA Today bestselling young adult series *Clown in a Cornfield*, recently adapted for theatrical release (sequel movie pending). UNSQ novel by Adam, *Influencer*, is also in the midst of casting and has garnered two starred reviews from the trades and was nominated for the ITW Thriller Award.

POWERHOUSE SELF-PROMOTER: Adam is a workhorse when it comes to promotion, and his natural charisma works well for him across various social media platforms and at in-person events. He is regularly featured at book and film festivals, genre conventions around the US, and recently appeared as a judge/presenter on the *Fangoria Chainsaw Awards* and *The Last Drive-In with Joe Bob Briggs* both streaming on Shudder/AMC+. This is in addition to his very robust YouTube/TikTok channel.

SINGULARITY: Complete with French flaps and a unique trim-size, this series is a dynamic collection built around the idea that compelling storytelling does not require length to achieve depth. Bringing together a wide range of genres, styles, and cultural perspectives, these are accessible, sophisticated, bite-sized delights for a world flooded by distraction.

Summary

It's gamers versus ghosts in this pulse-pounding novella from the USA Today bestselling author of *Clown in a Cornfield*.

"Cesare is a true master of fast-paced, fun, balls-out, over-the-top fear fiction, and those narrative talents are on full display in this video-arcade-set gore-o-rama ghost novel. -FANGORIA

It's 1989, and Robby Asaro is making FunCave Arcade's pizzas when his sleeve is caught on the pizza oven conveyor belt, and he dies a brutal death. But that wasn't the end for Robby, who is now a friendly ghost watching over the gamers of the arcade.

Fast forward to 2014, and this retro video arcade is still going strong as teens flock to both the new games on the main floor and the old classics on the second. What they don't know is that FunCave is now haunted by the man who died there in the 1980s. Robby cares about the regulars, especially Tiffany Park. When Robby tries to protect Tiffany from a bully, his first kill has unintended consequences as he absorbs his victim's hate and rage. He can't help what he does next as more bodies pile up and the patrons of the arcade are trapped inside.

Blood and ectoplasm fly in this new edition of the nostalgic slasher from the incomparable award-winning and bestselling author Adam Cesare.

"Adam Cesare solidifies himself as the Herschell Gordon Lewis of horror lit with *Zero Lives Remaining*, a dizzying fizz of kinetic energy, corn syrup blood and guts, and an added dab of pathos to warm our eviscerated hearts." -Clay McLeod Chapman, author of *Ghost Eaters*

Contributor Bio

Adam Cesare is the author of the Bram Stoker Award-winning and USA Today bestselling *Clown in a Cornfield* series, *Influencer*, the graphic novel *Dead Mall*, and several other novels and novellas including the cult hit *Video Night* and the dirtbag vampire epic *Bloodsick*. He's an avid fan of horror cinema, and you can watch him talk about movies on YouTube, TikTok, and the rest of his socials.

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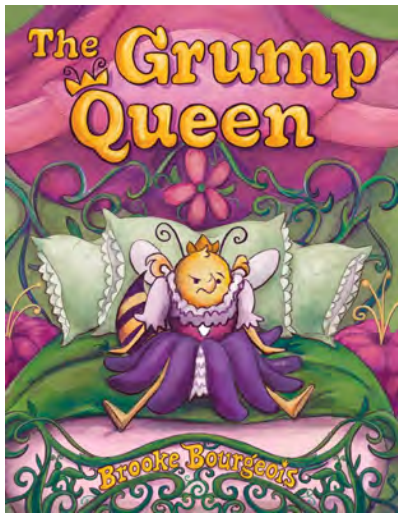
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The Grump Queen

Brooke Bourgeois

Key Selling Points

TARGET AUDIENCE: Educators, caregivers, and librarians looking for a fresh story about grumpiness and anger; anyone looking for a social emotional children's book about managing emotions; fans of *Grumpy Monkey* and *Buffalo Fluffalo*; anyone looking for a picture book about healthy expression of anger and other emotions

FRESH TAKE ON SOCIAL EMOTIONAL THEMES: Themes and tropes of traditionally "bad" behaviors such as anger, tantrums, and bitterness are popular with children who are learning how to manage their emotions. THE GRUMP QUEEN deftly teaches readers that these behaviors and emotions are natural while still providing them with practical skills to assist in regulating their everyday feelings.

NOSTALGIC, ORIGINAL ART STYLE: Through the use of gouache, colored pencils, and digital styles, Brooke boldly uses a quintessential but fresh design to illustrate her one-of-a-kind storytelling.

Summary

From the author of *Penelope's Balloons*, a tale about a grumpy little bee who learns to manage her emotions, perfect for fans of *Grumpy Monkey*.

Princess Posie is mad as can be. Every day is filled with the same boring princess duties, yucky foods, and impossible-to-achieve expectations. Posie knows the hive is counting on her to become the queen one day, but what she really needs is a break! But no matter how many times she shares her feelings, no one will listen to her—not even her mom.

Soon, Posie's anger begins to brim and bubble ... but when she finally finds a way to let her feelings out, Posie finds herself in an even stickier situation.

Brooke Bourgeois's lush art and infectious storytelling teach a lesson in emotions that is essential for all bees big and small: it's okay to be grumpy sometimes, as long as no one gets stung along the way.

Contributor Bio

Brooke Bourgeois is a cartoonist, writer, and illustrator originally from New Orleans, Louisiana, now residing in New York City. Her cartoons have appeared in *The New Yorker* and *Private Eye*, amongst other publications, and she is the author-illustrator of *Penelope's Balloons*. She invites you to visit her online at brookeabourgeois.com.

Illustrations



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The Sour Grape	John, Jory	HarperCollins	11/1/2022	9780063045415 0063045419	\$19.99 USD	Hardcover	Juvenile Fiction
I Am a Tornado	Beckmeyer, Drew	Atheneum Books for Young Readers	5/9/2023	9781665916745 1665916745	\$19.99 USD	Hardcover Picture Book	Juvenile Fiction
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The Wishing Well

Gideon Sterer, Emily Hughes

Key Selling Points

A NEW CLASSIC FROM TWO RISING PICTURE BOOKS STARS: *New York Times* bestselling author Gideon Sterer and award-winning illustrator Emily Hughes, the creators of indie hit *If You Make a Call on a Banana Phone*, have growing fan bases who will delight in this heartrending, hopeful story and breathtaking illustrations.

MODERN FAIRY TALES ARE IN DEMAND: With a special trim size and gorgeous art, *The Wishing Well* delivers a classic feel, a touch of magic, a gentle monster character, and a story with deep emotional resonance.

TIMELY THEMES OF GRATITUDE AND WONDER: This beautiful story will spark conversations about appreciation—even in tough times—for the true riches of family, friendship, nature, and the gift of life itself.

Summary

In this emotionally rich story from *New York Times* bestselling author Gideon Sterer and award-winning illustrator Emily Hughes, a monster trapped at the bottom of a wishing well plots his escape, reminding us that true wealth is measured not in coins but in love, freedom, and the beauty of nature.

Plip! Plop! Plip! The coins fall down into the well, and at the bottom is the monster who must record all the wishes. The people wish for puppies, or ponies, but most of all, they wish to be rich. They think that will make them happy. But the monster, surrounded by money, knows that the treasures of their lives above make them rich already. The hugs, the kisses, the books, the stars, and the seasons are all that he wishes for.

His lonely plight—and daring escape—will have readers reconsidering their wildest wishes.

Perfect for fans of John Klassen's modern fables, *The Wishing Well* celebrates the beauty and wonder of all we take for granted.

Contributor Bio

Gideon Sterer is the *New York Times* bestselling author of many picture books, including *We Are Already Haunting Here*, illustrated by Charlie Mylie, and the Indie bestseller *If You Make a Call on a Bananaphone*, illustrated by Emily Hughes. Growing up in upstate New York, Gideon stared down many wells, threw in many coins, and wondered always just what was down there. He currently lives in Brooklyn.

Visit Gideon at gideonsterer.com and on social media @gideonsterer.

Emily Hughes is an internationally recognized children's illustrator and author from Hilo, Hawaii, whose books include *Wild* and the Indie bestseller *If You Make a Call on a Bananaphone*, written by Gideon Sterer. Emily currently lives and draws in East London.

Visit Emily on Instagram @plaidemily.

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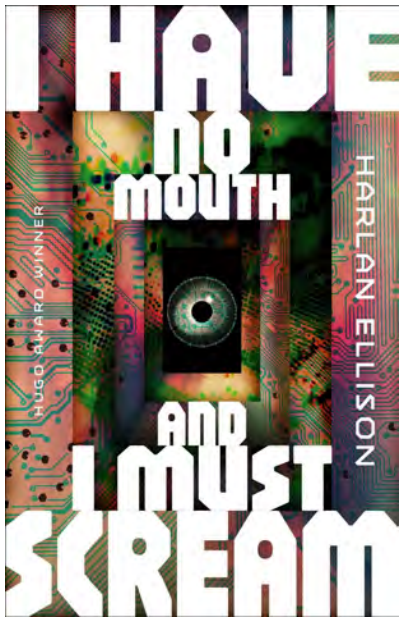
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The Teeny-Weeny Unicorn	Harris, Shawn	Knopf Books for Young Readers	2/6/2024	9780593571880 0593571886	\$18.99 USD	Hardcover	Juvenile Fiction
The Truth About Dragons	Leung, Julie	Henry Holt and Co. (BYR)	8/15/2023	9781250820587 1250820588	\$19.99 USD	Hardcover Picture Book	Juvenile Fiction
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I Have No Mouth, and I Must Scream

Harlan Ellison

Key Selling Points

SINGULARITY SERIES: This series is a dynamic collection built around the idea that compelling storytelling does not require length to achieve depth. Bringing together a wide range of genres, styles, and cultural perspectives, these are accessible, sophisticated, bite-sized delights for a world flooded by distraction.

Summary

The brilliant and scarily relevant short story by Harlan Ellison, an eight-time Hugo Award winner, five-time Bram Stoker Award winner, and four-time Nebula Award winner

In a postapocalyptic world, four men and one woman are all that remain of the human race, brought to near extinction by an artificial intelligence named A.M. Programmed to wage war on behalf of its creators, the AI has become self-aware and has now turned against all humanity. The five survivors struggle for survival in a vast prison created by A.M. in a deeply personal war between hope and despair.

This edition of this defining story also features a new foreword; exclusive photos and essays by Harlan exploring the story's history and international success; and a response to the story by an entity that—possibly—is most analogous to A.M. itself.

Contributor Bio

Harlan Ellison (1934–2018) is a legend of the SFF, horror, and speculative fiction genres. His published works include more than 1,700 short stories, novellas, screenplays, comic book scripts, teleplays, essays, and a wide range of criticism covering literature, film, television, and print media. Ellison won numerous awards, including multiple Hugos, Nebulas, and Edgars. Many of Ellison's short stories have been adapted into a variety of formats, including television episodes of *The Twilight Zone* and *Star Trek*.

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Lord of Mysteries, Vol. 4

The Faceless, Part I

Cuttlefish That Loves Diving, webnovel, amixy

Key Selling Points

- The highly requested Chinese phenomenon is finally available in English print! *Lord of Mysteries* was Yen Press' first Chinese novel release, and it has proven to be a bestseller, attracting both established fans and curious new readers.
- The *Lord of Mysteries* novel has been published digitally on the platform Webnovel where it stands out as one of their most popular series, receiving 10 million more views than the iconic *Solo Leveling* novel.
- *Lord of Mysteries* is genre-bending, isekai historical fantasy series that offers Victorian steampunk aesthetics, mysterious secret societies, and haunting Eldrich horrors that will appeal to fans of psychological drama and supernatural action as seen in *Omniscient Reader's Viewpoint* and *Solo Leveling*.
- While *Lord of Mysteries* has already received a manhua adaptation, an anime adaptation and a game adaptation have also been announced for future release, making this one of the hottest proprieties coming from the Asian market.

Summary

Roaring past the glow of gas lamps, a colossal train charges into a realm of steam and mystery. On bustling train platforms that Detective Sherlock Moriarty walks with his head bowed. The past, present, and future are shrouded in secrecy. In the lamplight, a mere glimpse of the dark mausoleum is enough to make anyone tremble in fear. Here, maddened deities call out to Their progeny and danger...danger is coming...

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The Art and Craft of Stephen King

The Story Behind Every Novel, Novella, and Short Story

Frank Lafond, Guy Astic

Key Selling Points

PROVEN FORMAT: In the same winning format as BDL's *All the Songs* books, which collectively has over 700,000 copies in print.

COMPREHENSIVE: Covers every piece of writing King has published including 65 novels and novellas, 200 short stories, plus information on nearly 80 film and TV adaptations.

MEGA-BESTSELLING AUTHOR: Stephen King's books have sold more than 350 million copies worldwide.

Summary

The first complete, in-depth examination of every work published by the "King of Horror," Stephen King.

Stephen King is perhaps the most well-known author across horror, thriller, science fiction, and mystery genres, with more than 350 million books sold. *Stephen King All the Stories* examines in extensive detail how each novel, novella, and short story was created, developed, published, and adapted into successful films television and other media. At 648 pages, *Stephen King All the Stories* is filled with the most popular titles like *Shawshank Redemption*, *The Shining*, and *Carrie* as well as the lesser-known ones like *Joyland* and *Revival*.

This illustrated account contains more than 300 photographs that complement King's journey from a Maine high school teacher and part-time writer to a literary giant, gifted in crafting haunting atmospheres that elevated horror as a genre.

Contributor Bio

Frank Lafond, Ph.D., teaches at the ESCAT film school in Tours, and at the Université Côte d'Azur. From 2015 to 2023, he edited two collections of film books for Éditions Vendémiaire. He has published essays, in both French and English, in academic and mainstream publications, as well as in various collective works. Frank is the author of *Jacques Tourneur, les figures de la peur* (2007), *Joe Dante, l'art du jeu* (2011), *Dictionnaire du cinéma fantastique et de science-fiction* (2014), *Samuel Fuller, jusqu'à l'épuisement* (2017), *Phase IV, éclipse de l'humanité* (2020). In 2025, McFarland & Company will publish his new book, *French Crime Films of the 1970s*, co-authored with Roberto Curti. He lives in France.

Guy Astic is Director of Éditions Rouge Profond. He has published numerous works on the *fantastique*. He has nurtured a passion for Stephen King for forty years, writing about ten articles on his novels and short stories, discussing his work in several conferences, "Stephen King. Enfance et danse macabre" at the Forum des images in Paris, and appearing on radio or TV programs dedicated to the Master of Horror. He has edited two books about the writer: *Stephen King. Premières approches* (Éditions du CÉFAL, 2000); *Colloque de Cerisy. Autour de Stephen King, l'horreur contemporaine* (2008). He lives in France.

Illustrations



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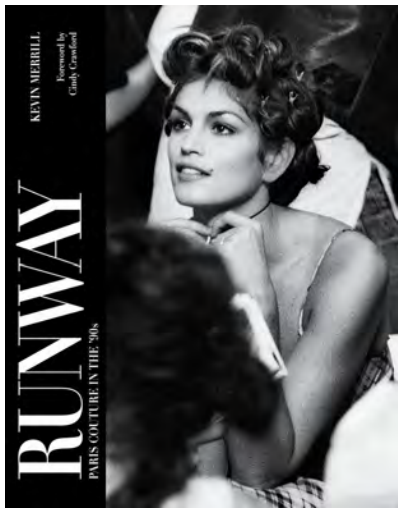
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Runway

Paris Couture in the '90s

Kevin Merrill, Cindy Crawford

Key Selling Points

TARGET CONSUMER: Fans of 90s fashion and supermodels; fashionista francophiles; collectors of coffee table books and high-end photography books such as *Pamela Hanson: The 90's*, *Patrick Demarchelier: Fashion Photographs Seen and Unseen*, and *Peter Lindbergh: On Fashion Photography*; readers of *Vogue*, *Elle*, *Harper's Bazaar*, *Vanity Fair*, *Marie Claire*, and *Women's Wear Daily*.

THE 90s ARE BACK: The era's fashion trends are back, appearing as inspiration for current collections and runway shows. This retrospective taps into Gen Xers, millennials, Gen Zs nostalgia for the iconic era and offers readers an immersive look at the decade influencing current aesthetics. The behind-the-scenes images that capture recognizable figures including Cindy Crawford, Naomi Campbell, Nadja Auermann, Karl Lagerfeld, and Anna Wintour among others.

PACKAGE DETAILS: This deluxe hardcover coffee table will include 90 black-and-white photographs.

Summary

This stunning collection of candid snapshots from Paris Haute Couture fashion shows offers exclusive backstage access during a formative decade in fashion and modeling.

Paris, 1990s: A last-minute fitting. Clouds of hairspray. A final swipe of lip liner. Backstage at fashion week, designers, hair stylists, makeup artists, and others swirled around supermodels preparing to step onto the couture runway. Amid the frenzy, photographer Kevin Merrill lingered in the shadows, capturing the commotion. Merrill witnessed moments of stillness, too: a model slipping away from the rush to lose herself in a book, or another patiently waiting while corset ribbons were pulled tight.

This striking collection from Merrill's personal archives documents the rhythm and harmony behind-the-scenes at the height of '90s fashion. The **90 black-and-white photographs** offer an extraordinary glimpse of the spectacle, glamour, and craftsmanship that defined this influential decade in fashion.

Featuring a foreword from Cindy Crawford and peppered with reflections from renowned designers and models—including **Oscar de la Renta, Jean Paul Gaultier, Christian Lacroix, Karl Lagerfeld, Yves Saint Laurent, and Nadja Auermann, Naomi Campbell, Helena Christensen, Linda Evangelista, Kate Moss, Claudia Schiffer, Stephanie Seymour, and Christy Turlington**—this stunning volume immerses you in one of the most exhilarating eras of fashion, one that endures today.

Contributor Bio

Kevin Merrill has worked in all facets of photography, including celebrity/entertainment portraiture, fashion, and lifestyle. His clients have included *Vogue*, *Elle*, *People* and *InStyle* magazines; Stila Cosmetics; Warner Bros. Television; NFL Properties; and others. His photographs have been honored on several occasions by the Advertising Photographers of America, including their Best of Show award. In addition to his advertising and editorial work, Kevin spends a great deal of time with his personal projects and teaching. He lives in Los Angeles.

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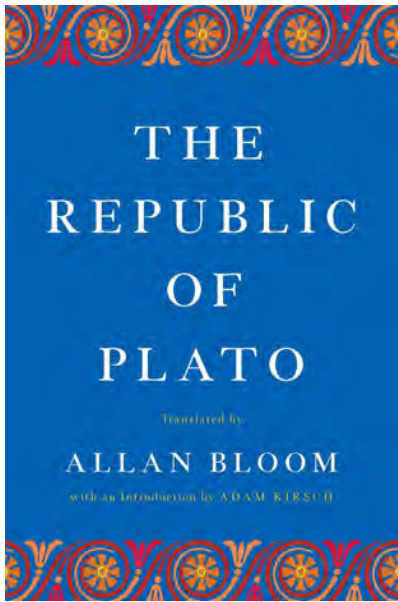
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The Republic of Plato

Allan Bloom, Adam Kirsch

Key Selling Points

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PHENOMENAL SALES TRACK: One of the stalwarts of our backlist for decades, we have sold over 310K copies since 1999.

DEFINITIVE TRANSLATION: One of the most important public intellectuals of the 20th century, Allan Bloom wrote the definitive translation of this seminal Socratic dialogue, which has become a standard for university departments of classics and philosophy across the country.

Summary

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The Republic of Plato invites you to engage with the eternal struggle to define justice and the nature of human flourishing.

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Contributor Bio

Allan Bloom (1930–1992) was a professor of social thought at the University of Chicago. He was the author of many books, including the number one bestseller *The Closing of the American Mind*.

Adam Kirsch is a senior editor at *The Atlantic* and the author of several books of poetry, criticism, and biography. Kirsch lives in New York City.

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Classic Starts®: The Wind in the Willows

Kenneth Grahame, Martin Woodside

Key Selling Points

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Summary

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Contributor Bio

Kenneth Grahame (1859–1932) was a British writer born in Edinburgh, who moved to Berkshire, England, as a young child. In 1900, his son was born, and Grahame made up stories to tell him at bedtime. These stories eventually turned into *The Wind in the Willows*, a story that has been beloved by children for ages.

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