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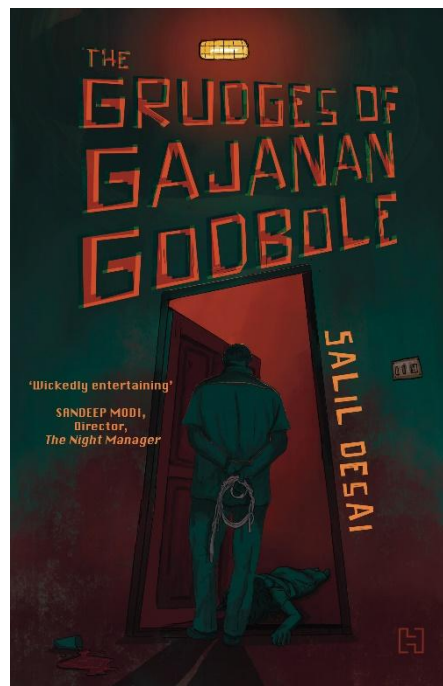
Local Titles

Fiction

The Grudges of Gajanan Godbole

by Salil Desai

A whacky tale of disproportionate vengeance and an itch to be violent that won't stop with a murder or two.



November 2024

After years of being married to an overbearing wife and wading through life pretending to be half-dead, Gajanan Godbole has finally found himself alone and, most importantly, free.

Courtesy COVID.

Lucky to have survived the pandemic by the skin of his teeth, Gajanan now discovers a side of his personality he never knew existed. Like a snake shedding its skin, Gajanan casts aside his meek old self and embraces his new homicidal avatar.

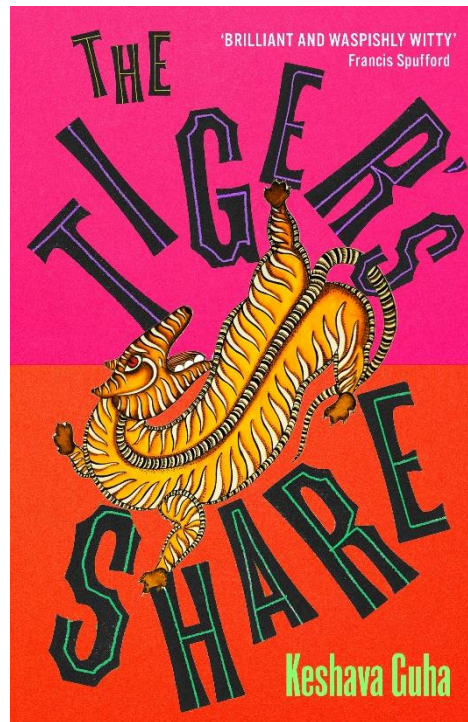
To satiate his grudgeful urges, he compiles a list of people he feels deserve to be punished for having wronged him.

Apologize or die is his simple motto! For murder, he believes, is the perfect cure for nastiness...

The Tiger's Share

Keshava Guha

'A waspishly witty eye cast on the war between sisters and brothers in polluted, high-achieving Delhi' – Francis Spufford



Having dedicated her life to achieving professional success in Delhi, Tara is everything her brother isn't: steadfast, independent, thriving. But when their beloved father retires, he reveals himself to be far from the quiet, conventional accountant they thought they knew – and the family is thrown into disarray. Meanwhile, Tara's friend, Lila, has it all: the great job, the lovely home, the beautiful family. But when her father dies, Lila's brother wastes no time in claiming what's his. Together, Tara and Lila two are now forced to confront the challenge that their ambition and success have posed to patriarchal Delhi society.

In a country where old elites and norms are under threat, the pursuit of private aspiration plays out against a dystopian daily background of ecological collapse and political unrest. Unlike anything else in contemporary Indian fiction, *The Tiger's Share* is a stunning state-of-the-nation novel that is also intensely personal.

Thoo!

Aathma Nirmala Dious

A unique debut science-fiction novel set in an Abu Dhabi where buildings defenestrate people for transgressing laws, and following the Malayali expat Anaswara who starts to investigate some mysterious deaths.

‘Then it began. The building coughed. The walls squeezed like your throat muscles. Then the bed was gone. The window looked like a mouth, the rectangle loosening to form the circle.

Thoo! Out we were into the night.’

In an alternate timeline in Abu Dhabi, the buildings are controlled by a Premeditated Expulsion System (PES), which defenestrates residents out of their apartments whenever they transgress the laws of the land. In the Malayali expatriate community, they are known as Thuppals, the expelled, spat out of the buildings onto the road below.

In this world, Anaswara is an architectural history researcher in New York, whose research on the PES leads her to a series of mysterious deaths when the PES system crashed, forcing her family to move out of Abu Dhabi. Together with Nourah, an old friend, she returns to Abu Dhabi to solve the mystery once and for all – and also make good on a promise to her mother, Latha.

Interspersed with PES product manuals, poems, emails and chats, and journal entries, *Thoo!* marks the debut of a gifted voice who pushes the novel to new territories. Between the anxieties of defenestration and the wounds of memory, Aathma Nirmala Dious’s debut novel brings to life the dislocation that enforced migrations brings in a world not unlike our very own.

The Courtesan, Her Lover, and I

by Tarana Husain Khan

After her husband's downfall, a middle-aged woman returns to her hometown, dares to revive her long-buried dream of writing, and weaves together history and heartache, all while rediscovering family, purpose and love.



After her husband's business collapses, middle-aged Rukmini and her family leave their opulent life in Dubai to return to the conservative town of Rampur, where her pragmatic and domineering father-in-law, Baba, had always promised them a home. With her daughter Gul away at college and her husband Faraz struggling with finances, Rukmini makes the bold decision to quit her low-paying but stable teaching job and pursue her long-abandoned dream of writing. Initially, a displeased Baba resists her choice, but he eventually relents, insisting that if she is to write, she should focus on the history and culture of Rampur. This leads her to meet the scholarly and charismatic Daniyal Khan.

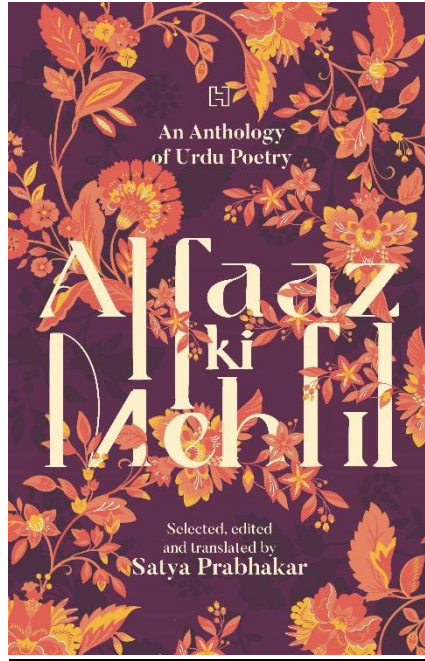
Guided by Daniyal, Rukmini embarks on a literary journey that takes her deep into Rampur's rich heritage, starting at the iconic Raza Library. There, she uncovers the story of Munni Bai Hijab, a 19th-century courtesan and poet, and her passionate relationship with the renowned Urdu poet, Dagh Delvi. Through letters and poetry, we follow their captivating courtship, while Rukmini juggles her growing responsibilities as the head of the newly-formed Rampur Book Club, all while managing the strain of a frustrated husband and a rebellious daughter.

In a dual narrative infused with evocative poetry, tantalizing kebabs, and fragrant curries, *The Courtesan, Her Lover, and I* weaves a beautifully rich, intergenerational tale of a city. It explores womanhood, family, and the bittersweet complexities of love, set against the backdrop of Rampur's history and culture.

Alfaaz ki Mehfil

trans. Satya Prabhakar

A collection that captures the essence of Urdu's most poignant themes: love, loss, mysticism and revolution, while offering fresh, accessible translations.



In this masterful collection, Prabhakar brings to life the delicate beauty and emotional depth of Urdu poetry, capturing its timeless themes of love, loss, longing, mysticism and rebellion. From the classical elegance of Mirza Ghalib and Mir Taqi Mir to the stirring, modern voices of Faiz Ahmed Faiz and Parveen Shakir, the anthology is a tribute to the rich diversity and enduring legacy of Urdu verse.

Prabhakar skilfully conveys the rhythm, nuance and profound sentiment of the original works, making them accessible to a modern English-speaking audience. Thoughtfully curated and introduced, each section in this collection is historically and culturally contextualized, capturing the power and transcendental quality of Urdu verse with unmatched elegance.

You Can't Be Serious!

Prajwal Hegde

Can love brew in the most unexpected place, or will family legacies and modern ambitions tear them apart?

Asha Pratap is the brilliant, unapologetic mastermind behind India's trendiest café chain, 'Coffee Before Books & Bras' – because priorities, right? Sure, her family's fortune sparkles like new money does, but Asha is fiercely her own woman. She has absolutely no interest in being anyone's daughter, wife, or – cue the horror music – royal daughter-in-law. With her business booming, you'd think life would be all smooth lattes and soft book nooks, but nope. Trolls of the internet variety love to take a swipe at her, dredging up old scandals she'd much rather leave behind. Now, owing her dad a favour and under family pressure, Asha's considering... options. Even if one of those comes in the form of an incredibly charming, annoyingly exacting Indian prince.

Speaking of royals, **Vedveer Kapoor** is an eco-warrior prince with a mission. He may have grown up playing polo and cricket under the royal sun, but after Harvard, he's back home and facing a harsh reality: his family's finances are, well, not so princely. When an international hotel chain dangles a tempting offer to turn the majestic riverside Ranibagh Palace into a luxury hotel, Vedveer isn't thrilled. But can this royal heartthrob find a way to save the palace without losing his heart in the process?

In Prajwal Hegde's delightfully chaotic North-meets-South rom-com, love, family and tradition collide in the most charming and unpredictable ways. Buckle up for a wild ride full of laughter, heart and a little bit of royal scandal.

A Hiding to Nothing

Chhimi Tenduf-La

Gripping and full of shocking twists, this thriller dives deep into the lengths parents will go to save their child – and themselves.



In Colombo, Devin Pinto, the young son of Neja and Ramesh, is kidnapped during a routine drive with his mother. There are no clues, no ransom demands, and most importantly, no police involvement. In Sri Lanka's tightly-knit and secretive high society, the Pintos must keep the abduction under wraps, navigating shadowy back channels to uncover the truth.

But who would want to take Devin – and why? The answers are buried in Neja and Ramesh's complicated past in the UK, where Devin was born through surrogacy.

Has Devin's birth mother come back to claim him, following through on a long-standing threat? Could the culprit be Devin's swimming coach, with whom Neja has been carrying on a not-so-discreet affair? Or is this the work of vengeful creditors – men Ramesh swindled in a Ponzi scheme – returning to settle their debts? Then there's the enigmatic woman from the British High Commission, who seems to know far too much about Neja's buried secrets.

A gripping, edge-of-your-seat thriller, *A Hiding to Nothing* explores the dark side of parenthood and the desperate lengths people will go to for their children. Moving between the tense worlds of Colombo and London, acclaimed author Chhimi Tenduf-La weaves a suspenseful narrative that delves into the hidden lives of immigrants, surrogates, and the fragile illusions of family.

Non-Fiction

The Himalaya in Twelve Pieces

Anuradha Roy

***The Himalaya in Twelve Pieces* launches ‘John Murray Journeys’ in India with transportive writing from one of India’s foremost literary voices. This is travel with a difference: it is about discovering a new place and making it your own.**



When Anuradha Roy and her publisher-husband find a derelict cottage in the Himalaya, they decide to renovate it, create a garden from a rubbish-strewn hillside, and begin a new life with their several unruly dogs. This intimate exploration of the mountains is not about climbing high peaks but about living within a rural community on the edge of a high forest. Anuradha paints it and writes about it as she discovers a fascinating world: alien and beloved, fulfilling and frustrating, terrifying and beautiful and increasingly under threat from climate change.

Running Behind Lakshmi

Adil Rustomjee

The story of the Indian stock market over its 200-year history up to the present.

For a few hundred million Indians, the stock market is the Theatre of Dreams; the canvas on which are sketched fantasies of unimaginable riches, of lives transformed and all earthly desires fulfilled. Today, after politics, cricket and Bollywood, it is Dalal Street that exercises the strongest hold on our collective imagination.

It is no exaggeration however to say that the history of one of modern India's greatest moving forces remains pitifully under explored.

Running Behind Laxmi is an outstanding attempt to bring that elephant into focus. By combining thousands of primary and secondary archival sources with observations and expertise borne of a decades' long immersion in the markets, Adil Rustomjee stitches a narrative that is equal parts history, guide and commentary.

It's a narrative brimming with pioneers and adventurers, grand rivalries and petty jealousies, scams and scandals. The story of a nation and a people told through a lens that's never been used before, but one that's more relevant than ever before.

Life and Business Lessons from Indra Nooyi

(Title TBA)

Indra Nooyi's latest book (untitled) offers a compelling blend of life and business lessons. Drawing from her extraordinary journey, from her early days in India to leading a global powerhouse, Nooyi shares her takeaways on leadership, resilience and the importance of purpose-driven work.

With her signature clarity and warmth, now in an easy-read and bite-sized chunks format, the book explores how to navigate complex challenges, foster inclusive workplaces and balance professional success with personal fulfillment.

Raj Khosla's Authorised Biography

(Title TBA)

Ambarish Roychowdhury

with Anita Khosla and Uma Khosla Kapur

For the first time, a definitive biography that turns the arc lights on iconic filmmaker Raj Khosla.

Guru Dutt's mentee, Raj Khosla, has only ever remained a footnote in books on Indian cinema. Yet the latter is no obscure filmmaker with one or two odd hits to their name. No other filmmaker has, arguably, made so many iconic and path-breaking films, that too from different genres—whether a *CID* and a *Do Raaste* or a *Main Tulsi Tere Aangan Ki* and a *Dostana*. Such disparate kinds of cinema can only come from the stable of a director who is passionately in love with his work, and with cinema.

But was that what drove Raj Khosla? Was he in love with filmmaking? Did being on the sets make him happy? What made him tick?

Through interviews with family, friends and colleagues, this book seeks to cover the filmmaker's work and see if some of that shines back the person he was.

Insight Edge

Vivek Banerji

A game-changing guide for leaders and organizations looking to turn data, observations and creativity into powerful, actionable intelligence.

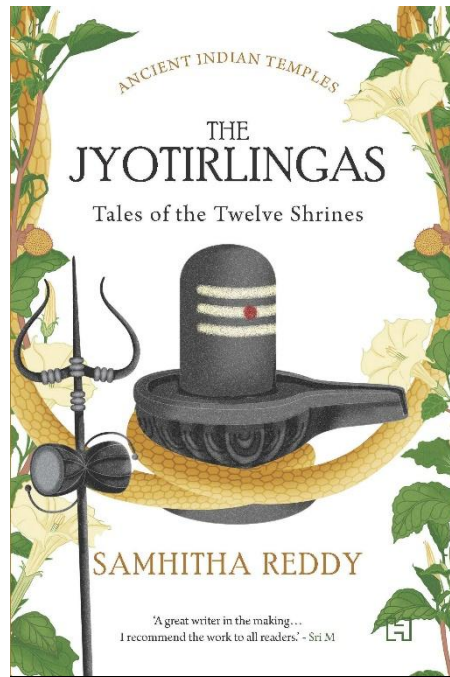
In today's fast-paced business landscape, the ability to develop and act on insights is no longer just a competitive advantage – it's essential for survival. In *Insight Edge*, Vivek Banerjee offers a practical framework for transforming raw data, observations and trends into actionable intelligence that drives organizational success. The book explores how companies can foster deep, creative thinking at every level, empowering leaders and teams to anticipate market shifts, innovate with precision and make smarter decisions in real-time.

Suffused with case studies from leading global firms, *Insight Edge* is a must-read for executives, managers and anyone looking to unlock the true potential of insight-driven leadership.

The Jyotirlingas: Tales of the Twelve Shrines

Samhitha Reddy

Discover the evocative origin stories of the twelve auspicious jyotirlingas and the revered ancient temples that house them.



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Chandra's waning glow. The exacting test of Karthikeya and Ganesha. Vindhya's wish for glory. Bheemasura's vengeful quest. Rishi Gautama's confounding blunder. Ravana's devotion and his undoing. Rama's prayer for guidance. Reigns of terror unleashed by malevolent *asuras*, and the immutable faith of devotees. These tales of confrontation, salvation and repentance bring to life the many divine interventions of Shiva in the actions of *manavas*, *asuras* and *devas* alike.

Embark on a journey through the three realms as Shiva resolves epic clashes, protects the zealous, chastises the guilty, forgives the repentant and rewards the devout, while revealing his infinite nature in the form of *swayambhu lingams* formed in the mortal realm. The chronicles of these sites enshrining the deeply venerated god are inextricably tied with Indian culture and traditions, unfolding a compelling canvas of unwavering belief and worship across ages.

Suffixed by unusual facts and travel tips, these lyrical retellings from the *Shiva Purana* weave mythology, history and spirituality into a unique volume to cherish.

Forgotten Footprints: Stories from Lost Civilizations

by Prateek Dasgupta

Discover the stories of lost civilizations in this intriguing and captivating book. Divided into four parts – the Dawn of Civilizations; the Rise of Cities; Lost Civilizations; and Lesser Known Empires, the book charts the history of prominent personalities, fascinating stories of iconic monuments and the culture and mysteries of the various empires of the world. With narratives covering the world's first city to the earliest pyramids of the new world – from the real Amazon warriors to the tales of the cavemen of Sassi di Matera; from the mysteries of Chandraketugarh to the Yamnaya Culture – take an unforgettable walk through history and learn all about the secrets of the lost world.

Malnutrition: A Silent Death

by Basanta Kumar Kar

Malnutrition: A Silent Death is a comprehensive exploration of one of the world's most critical health challenges, which is also a part of Sustainable Development Goals of the United Nations (UN SDG 2, Target 2.2). This book delves deep into the causes, effects, and solutions surrounding malnutrition, offering a detailed clinical study that is accessible to all readers. From nutrient deficiencies to the global impact of food insecurity, it addresses every aspect of this complex issue. Whether you are a healthcare professional, student, or someone passionate about global health, this book equips you with the knowledge to understand malnutrition's wide-reaching effects and the strategies needed to combat it globally.

Life and Teachings of Ramakrishna

by Himadri Bhattacharya

A lucid and narrative translation that encapsulates the teachings of Sri Ramakrishna Paramhansa. This is a retelling of the Bengali classic *Sri Sri Ramakrishna Kathamrita* by Mahendranath Gupta. The informal and conversational style of the work is a hallmark of the original but is curated and packaged with notes and annotations for the modern-day reader interested in self-improvement and spiritual reflections.

Although a philosophical masterpiece the text is not idea-heavy but carries a conversational tone that reveal Sri Ramakrishna as the person that he was, a master engaged in storytelling and anecdotal conversations. This is a book that the urban reader can easily relate to and from which one can glean spiritual guidance as well as spiritual solace.

Quick and Concise

Buddhism

by Amar Bandhyopadhyay

The book deals with the philosophy of Buddhism, its main philosophical notions, the central teachings of Buddha and the influence it has on his followers. *Quick and Concise: Buddhist Philosophy and Culture* includes the legends that surround Buddha's birth, his renunciation and attainment of Nirvana, and it contrasted with scholarly opinions surrounding Buddha and discussed their relevance.

Philosophy

by Shamik Chakravarty

The Quick and Concise book on philosophy asks important questions and consults the greatest philosophers to answer them. It covers a wide range of topics from Art to Beauty and Identity to Reality. This philosophy book is different to anything you'll ever read because it doesn't just give you detailed theories or brief snippets of other's works but interacts with the books in a creative and engaging way.

World Geography

by Paromita Roy

Discover the world through the eyes of a geographer with *Quick and Concise: World Geography*. This compact yet comprehensive book takes you through the essentials of physical and human geography, offering a deep understanding of our planet, its dynamic systems, and human-environment relationships. This book provides everything you need to navigate the world's physical features, climatic zones, and population trends – an all-in-one geography book.

Children's Non-Fiction

ONCE UPON A BEGINNING: Incredible Origin Tales from India

Nalini Ramachandran

Are you ready to discover the extraordinary beginnings of all things?



In the beginning, there was...*nothing!*

Then, the sun and the moon found their place in the sky, birds grew wings and soared, trees set down their roots, tigers began to prowl, and light spread across lands.

And people? They burst out of their dark underground dwellings and built houses, cooked for the gods and ate with the tiger, made beautiful things and told stories, just as they do now.

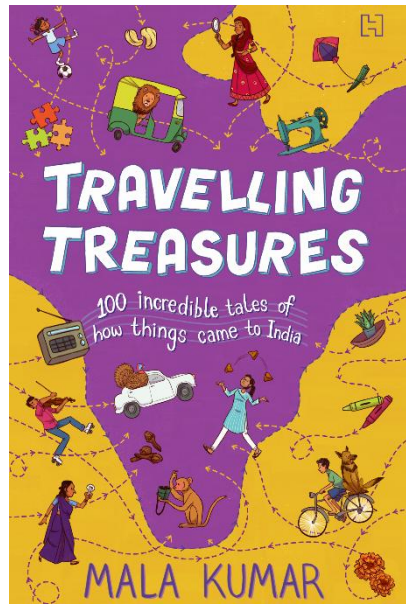
Curious about how it all began?

Step into a delightful adventure with a book where each story unveils the magical origins of the world. From majestic tigers and half-human beings to walking trees and mischievous magicians, these tales offer an enchanting glimpse into how the world, its creatures, and its customs came to be. These rare folktales, passed down through generations by indigenous communities from all parts of India, come to life with stunning illustrations and celebrate our weird, wonderful and wildly diverse traditions and beliefs.

Travelling Treasures: 100 Incredible Tales of How Things Came to India

Mala Kumar

100 amazing stories of how things came to India: your passport to an eye-opening tour across time and continents that will make you see everyday things in a whole new light.



December, 2024

Have you ever wondered where the trusty bicycle came from? Or thanked your lucky stars for chocolate?

Ketchup on your fries, umbrella in the rain, pencil in your bag, lift in the mall, and even your favourite fruit – many ordinary things around you have extraordinary tales. Big or small, a trinket or a prized possession, these things zig-zagged across the globe, battled the odds and survived dangerous journeys to finally land in India. Traders, kings, soldiers, inventors, adventurers, and even smugglers have played a part in bringing these treasures to you.

With 100 amazing stories of how things came to India, *Travelling Treasures* is your passport to an eye-opening tour across time and continents that will make you see everyday things in a whole new light.

Jump aboard a fantastic A to Z expedition where each stop is a fun surprise.

Bon Voyage!

Lightning Kid

64 Winning Lessons from the Boy Who Became a Chess World Champion

Viswanathan Anand



The undisputed greatest Indian chess player of all time and five-time chess world champion, the icon popularly known as ‘Vishy’ brings his life experiences, milestone moments and wit to children.

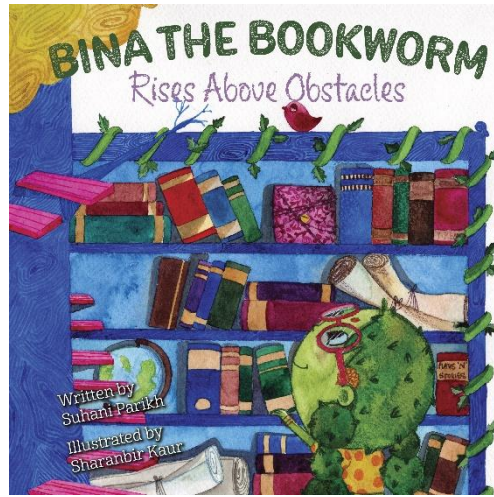
Behind that Zen-like calm that often defines Viswanathan Anand, India’s very first chess Grandmaster, lies an exciting, eventful and uplifting journey. From his first steps as a chess player at the Tal Club in Chennai to his many triumphs on the international platform to his role as a mentor for young chess players, the many lively stories – and little-known fun secrets! – from Vishy’s brilliant life will surprise as much as they will inspire. Every young reader will treasure this book, which also features special ‘Chess Plus’ pages for enthusiasts of the game.

Children's Fiction

BINA THE BOOKWORM

Suhani Parikh

“Hey! Books aren't for eating, they're for reading!”



Most bookworms liked to dig in the mud, play in the rain, and chomp on their favourite food...BOOKS! But not Bina—she can't stand the taste of books at all. One fateful day, Bina opens a book to find a maze of letters. After a friend helps her learn how to read, Bina's faced with a big obstacle—her brothers keep eating her books! Looking for ideas in... (you guessed it!) a book, Bina cooks up a delicious solution to her problem that will leave readers hungry for more!

A fun-to-read picture book that celebrates the power of words and stories for young readers beginning to enjoy reading.

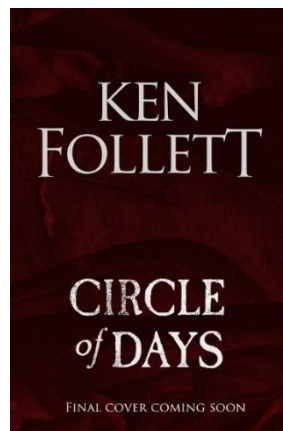
International Titles

Fiction

Circle of Days

Ken Follett

Truly ambitious in scope, CIRCLE OF DAYS invites you to join Ken Follett, one of the world's most successful authors, in exploring one of the greatest mysteries of our age: Stonehenge.



September 2025

A FLINT MINER WITH A GIFT:

Seft, a talented flint miner, walks the Great Plain in the high summer heat, to witness the rituals that signal the start of a new year. He is there to trade his stone at the Midsummer Fair, and to find Neen, the girl he loves. Her family live in prosperity and offer Seft an escape from his brutish father and brothers, within their herder community.

A PRIESTESS WHO BELIEVES THE IMPOSSIBLE

Joia, Neen's sister, is a priestess with a vision and an unmatched ability to lead. As a child, she watches the Midsummer ceremony, enthralled, and dreams of a miraculous new monument, raised from the biggest stones in the world. But trouble is brewing among the hills and woodlands of the Great Plain.

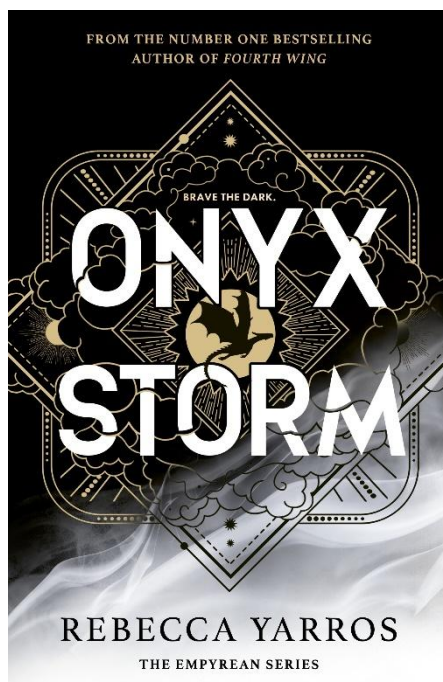
A MONUMENT THAT WILL DEFINE A CIVILIZATION

Joia's vision of a great stone circle, assembled by the divided tribes of the Plain, will inspire Seft and become their life's work. But as drought ravages the earth, mistrust grows between the herders, farmers and woodlanders – and an act of savage violence leads to open warfare . . .

Onyx Storm

by Rebecca Yarros

Hunger Games meets Harry Potter in the epic next installment of the number one bestselling Empyrean series.



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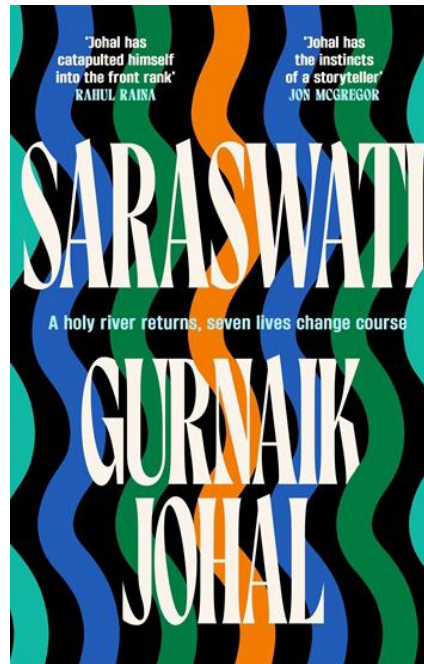
THE STORM IS COMING . . .

Get ready to fly or die in the breathtaking follow-up to *Fourth Wing* and *Iron Flame* from the no. 1 Sunday Times and New York Times bestselling author Rebecca Yarros.

Saraswati

Gurnaik Johal

*A masterpiece debut novel from one of the UK's most exciting young writers,
for fans of David Mitchell and Zadie Smith.*



12th June 2025

A holy river returns, seven lives change course.

Centuries ago, the holy river Saraswati flowed through what is now Punjab.

Many dismiss this as myth, but when Satnam arrives in his ancestral village for his grandmother's funeral, he finds water in the dried-up well behind her house. The discovery sets in motion a contentious scheme to unearth the lost river as an act of Hindu nationalist pride.

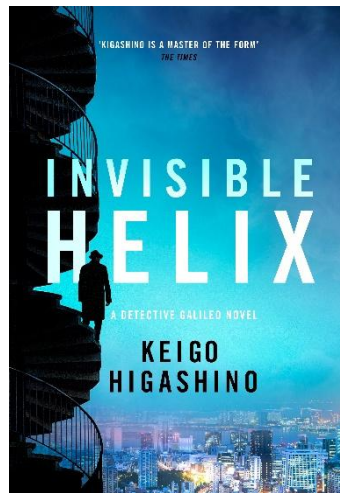
The river changes the course of Satnam's life, and those of six others. As legends and histories resurface, the distant relatives - from a Canadian eco-saboteur to a Mauritian pest exterminator to a Bollywood stunt double – are brought together in a rapidly changing India.

Ambitious, moving and brimming with folklore, *Saraswati* is a tour de force from one of Britain's most feted young writers.

Invisible Helix

Keigo Higashino

Detective Galileo, Keigo Higashino's best loved character from The Devotion of Suspect X, returns in a case where hidden history, and impossible crime, are linked by nearly invisible threads in surprising ways.



January 30th 2025

The body of a young man is found floating in Tokyo Bay. But his death was no accident-Ryota Uetsuji was shot. He'd been reported missing the week before by his live-in girlfriend Sonoka Shimauchi, but when detectives from the Homicide Squad go to interview her, she is nowhere to be found. She's taken time off from work, clothes and effects are missing from the apartment she shared. And when the detectives learn that she was the victim of domestic abuse, they presume that she was the killer. But her alibi is airtight-she was hours away in Kyoto when Ryota disappeared, forcing Detectives Kusanagi and Utsumi to restart their investigation.

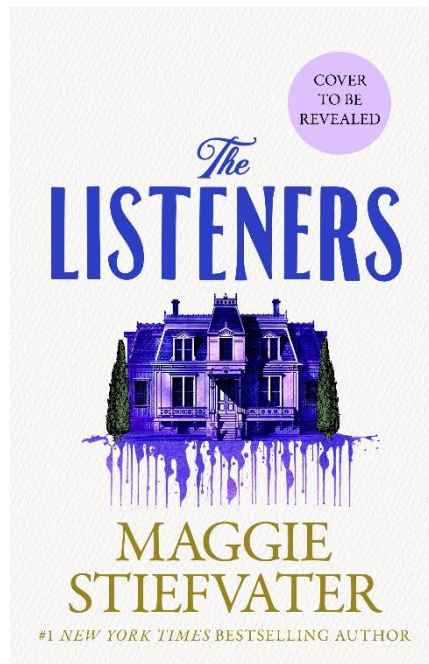
But if Sonoko didn't kill her abusive lover, then who did? A thin thread of association leads them to their old consultant, brilliant physicist Manabu Yukawa, known in the department as "Detective Galileo." With Sonoko still missing, the detectives investigate other threads of association-an eccentric artist, who was Sonoko's mother figure after her own single mother passed; and an older woman who is the owner of a hostess club. And how is Sonoko continuing to stay one step ahead of the police searching for her?

It's up to Galileo to find the nearly hidden threads of history and coincidence that connect the people around the bloody murder - which, surprisingly, connect to his own traumatic past unravel not merely the facts of the crime but the helix that ties them all together.

The Listeners

by Maggie Stiefvater

The extraordinary, genre-defying debut adult novel by the No. 1 New York Times bestselling author Maggie Stiefvater.



June 3rd 2025

AT THE AVALLON, REAL POWER COMES TO THOSE WHO WATCH AND LISTEN...

High in the Appalachian mountains is a place quite unlike any other. The Avallon Hotel and its enigmatic General Manager, June Hudson, are famed for offering unrivalled luxury, season after season, to those who come from far and wide to indulge in its beautiful hot springs and take the healing waters. Everything is perfect. Perhaps too perfect.

So when the Avallon is called upon to help the war effort - to oust its guests and host three hundred diplomats and Nazi sympathisers - June's priority is business as usual. But as dark alliances and unexpected attractions crack the polished veneer of the hotel, she is forced to reckon with the true price of luxury.

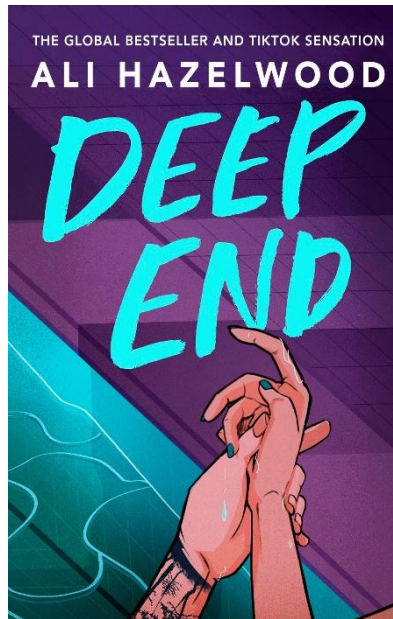
After all, only June knows the sacrifice required to keep everyone happy - her staff, the FBI and, above all, the tumultuous sweetwater running through the heart of the hotel.

The Listeners is a story of love, lies, secrets and betrayal, based on real events and steeped with eerie Appalachian magic - and brought to life by a truly unforgettable ensemble cast of characters.

Deep End

by Ali Hazelwood

Sports romance, but make it Ali! The brand new romance from TikTok sensation Ali Hazelwood, the Sunday Times bestselling author of The Love Hypothesis and Bride – her spiciest yet!



February 4th 2025

A competitive diver and an ace swimmer jump into forbidden waters in this steamy college romance from the *Sunday Times* and *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Love Hypothesis*.

Scarlett Vandermeer is swimming upstream. A Junior at Stanford and a student-athlete who specializes in platform diving, Scarlett prefers to keep her head down, concentrating on getting into med school and on recovering from the injury that almost ended her career. She has no time for relationships - at least, that's what she tells herself.

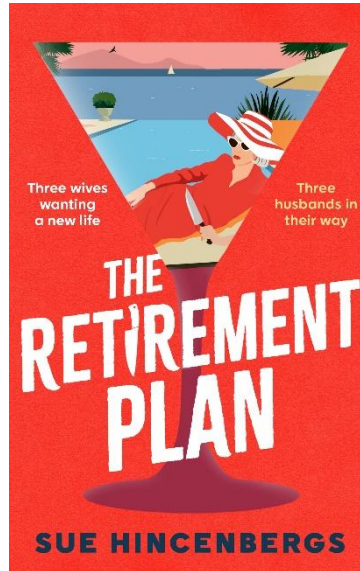
Swim captain, world champion, all-around aquatics golden boy, Lukas Blomqvist thrives on discipline. It's how he wins gold medals and breaks records: complete focus, with every stroke. On the surface, Lukas and Scarlett have nothing in common. Until a wellguarded secret slips out, and everything changes.

So they start an arrangement. And as the pressure leading to the Olympics heats up, so does their relationship. It was supposed to be just a temporary, mutually satisfying fling. But when staying away from Lukas becomes impossible, Scarlett realizes that her heart might be treading into dangerous water...

The Retirement Plan

by Sue Hincenbergs

*Dark humour, dirty deeds, marriages and murder . . . it's the fantastically
twisty first novel you won't be able to put down.*



May 6th 2025

Pam and her friends Nancy and Shalisa have had enough. Enough of scraping by and enough of their bothersome husbands. Husbands who lost their life savings to a dodgy investment but also happen to have hefty life insurance policies.

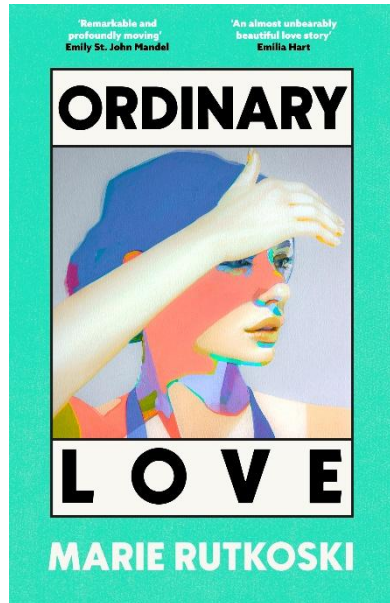
Their new retirement plan? Why murder, of course. But they don't know that their husbands have a new retirement plan of their own. And now someone is going to be killed . . . but who?

Three wives wanting a new life, three husbands in their way . . .

Ordinary Love

by Marie Rutkoski

A sweeping queer love story about desire, friendship, mistakes and the possibility of second chances.



June 12th 2025

FOR EMILY AND GEN, THIS IS LOVE...AT LAST.

Emily has a life many would envy: a Manhattan townhouse, two sweet children and an adoring husband, Jack. But Jack isn't what he appears, and Emily's marriage is secretly troubled.

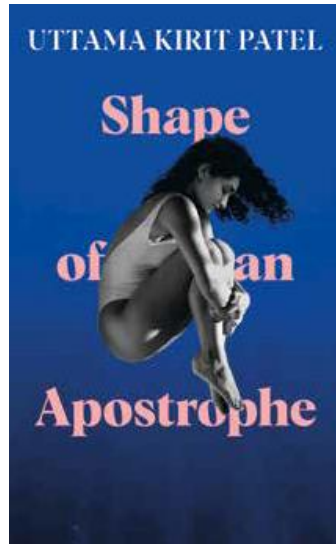
During their rocky separation, Emily encounters someone she's tried not to think about for years: Gen Hall. As teenagers, she was Emily's best friend, first love - and first heartbreak. Emily thought that she'd never recover from losing her. Now, separated by over a decade of mistakes and miscommunications, can they find their way back to each other?

What comes next is a sweeping queer love story about desire, friendship, and above all, the possibility of second chances.

Shape of an Apostrophe

Uttama Kirit Patel

A fresh and taboo-breaking depiction of the Indian diaspora, for readers of Jhumpa Lahiri, Avni Doshi and Claire Kilroy.



10th April 2025

Lina never wanted children, but here are two lines on the test stick. Recently orphaned and resident in Dubai, her options are limited.

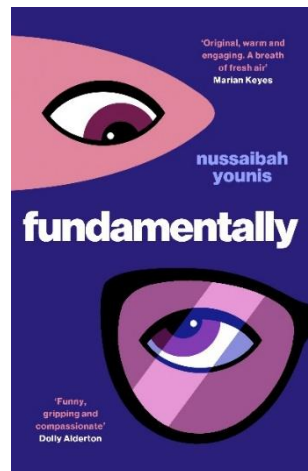
Her mother-in-law is delighted and interferes with every aspect of Lina's pregnancy. Her husband does nothing to help. When Lina receives proof of a horrifying family secret from Mumbai, she realises she has a choice when it comes to her baby, her marriage and her place in the world – but is it a choice she wants to make?

A bittersweet yet life-affirming debut that dares to ask difficult questions about motherhood and family, *Shape of an Apostrophe* is an astute exploration of obedience, rebellion and the surprising persistence of love.

Fundamentally

by Nussaibah Younis

A laugh-out-loud, unforgettable novel about ISIS brides.



February 25th 2025

'By normal, you mean like you? A slag with a saviour complex?'

When academic Nadia is disowned by her puritanical mother and dumped by her lover, she decides to make a getaway - accepting a UN job in Iraq. Tasked with rehabilitating ISIS women, Nadia becomes mired in the opaque world of international aid, surrounded by bumbling colleagues. But then Nadia meets Sara, a precocious and swearsy East Londoner who joined ISIS at just fifteen, and she is struck by how similar their stories are.

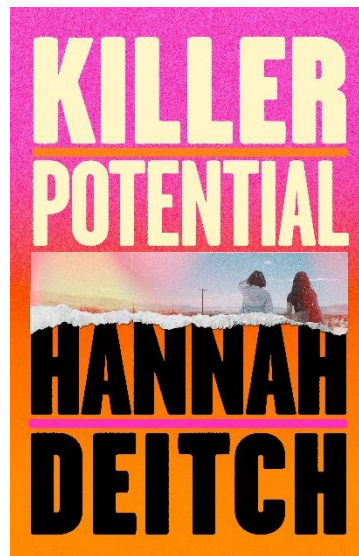
Both from a Muslim background, both feisty and opinionated, with a shared love of Dairy Milk and rude pickup lines, Sara and Nadia immediately connect and a powerful friendship forms. When Sara confesses a secret, Nadia is forced to make a difficult choice.

A bitingly original, wildly funny and razor-sharp exploration of love, family, religion, radicalism, and the decisions we make in pursuit of connection and belonging, *Fundamentally* upends and explores a defining controversy of our age with heart, complexity and humour - delivered by one of the most fearless and talented new voices in contemporary fiction.

Killer Potential

by Hannah Deitch

A Thelma and Louise for the 21st century following two young women wanted for a crime they did not commit.



March 20th 2025

Decisions were made: I made them. Violence was done: I did it. Crime scenes were fled: I fled them. People were hurt: I hurt them. Someone was loved: I loved them. Not everything I did was bad. Just most of it.

A scholarship kid with straight As and big dreams, Evie Gordon always thought she was special, that she'd be someone. But after graduating from an elite university, she finds herself drowning in debt and working as an SAT tutor for the super-rich of Los Angeles.

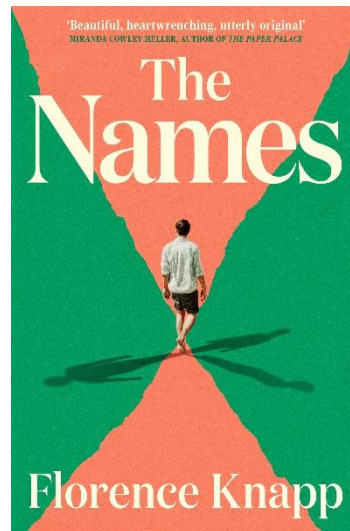
Everything changes one Sunday, when she arrives for a weekly lesson at the Victors' Beverly Hills mansion to discover pure carnage: the bloody remains of Mr. and Mrs. Victor sully their beautiful back garden, and a woman crying for help from within the walls of the family's estate.

Within moments, Evie and the woman go from bystanders to suspects to fugitives. Anointed the new Charles Manson by the press, a bloodthirsty ninety-nine percent hoping to spark a class war, Evie is finally someone. At the heart of a nationwide manhunt, Evie is desperate to clear her name. But first she'll have to break down the barriers of her new companion - who is inscrutable, surprisingly skilled at being on the run, and quickly becoming the most important person in Evie's upside-down life.

The Names

by Florence Knapp

This book asks how a name can shape the course of a life and explores the single what-if moments that can overturn a person's fate.



May 8th 2025

Tomorrow - if morning comes, if the storm stops raging - Cora will register the name of her son. Or perhaps, and this is her real concern, she'll formalise who he will become.

It is 1987, and in the aftermath of a great storm, Cora sets out with her nine-year-old daughter to register the birth of her son. Her husband intends her to follow a longstanding family tradition and call the boy after him. But faced with the decision, Cora hesitates, questioning whether it is right for her child to share his name with generations of domineering men. Her choice in this moment will shape the course of their lives.

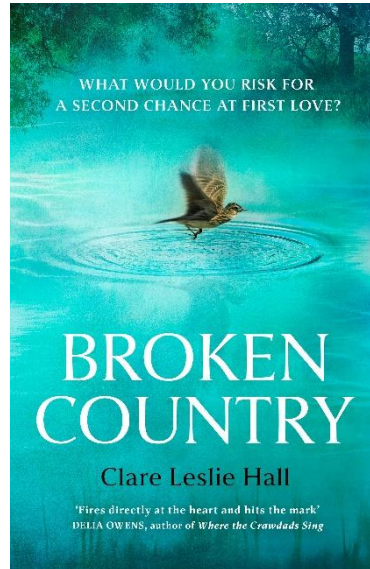
Seven years later, her son is Bear, a name chosen by his sister, and one that will prove as cataclysmic as the storm from which it emerges. Or he is Julian, the name his mother set her heart on, believing it will give him the opportunity to become his own person. Or he is Gordon, named after his father and raised in his image - but is there still a chance to break the mould?

This is the story of three names, three versions of a life and the infinite possibilities that a single decision can spark. It is the story of one family and how love endures, no matter what fate has in store.

Broken Country

by Clare Leslie Hall

An epic love story with the pulse of a thriller that asks: what would you risk for a second chance at first love?



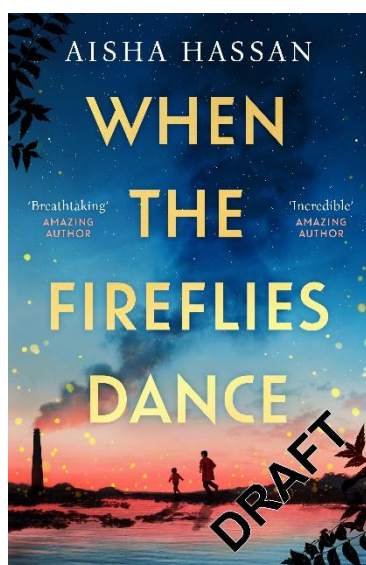
March 4th 2025

Everyone in the village said nothing good would come of Gabriel's return. And as Beth looks at the man she loves on trial for murder, she can't help think they were right. She was seventeen when she'd first met Gabriel. Over that heady, intense summer, he made her think and feel and see differently. She thought it was the start of her great love story and that it would last forever. When Gabriel left to become the person his mother expected him to be, she was broken. It was Frank who picked up the pieces. Together they'd built a home very different from the one she'd imagined with Gabriel. And there was a time - even years - when she was happy. Watching her husband and son riding a tractor across their farm, she remembered feeling so sure that, after everything, this was the life she was supposed to be leading. But then Gabriel came back, and all Beth's certainty about who she was and what she wanted crumbled. Even after ten years, their connection was instant. She knew it was wrong and she knew people could get hurt. But how could she resist a second chance at first love?

When the Fireflies Dance

by Aisha Hassan

The extraordinary story of twenty-year-old Lalloo and his fight for survival in the cruellest of worlds and circumstances, in the brickyards outside of Lahore.



June 19th 2025

"The young boys walked right through the fireflies, bathed in the warm blinking light. Lalloo tried to catch them between his palms as Jugnu had done but they were elusive, flying away or quickly going dark and invisible..."

Even in the darkest moments, there is light to be found...

At just six years old, in front of his family's small hut on the outskirts of Lahore, Lalloo's brother is murdered. Unable to escape the memory of that night, Lalloo's parents remain trapped at the brickyards, the kiln chimney belching black smoke into the sky as they slave brick by brick to pay off their debts.

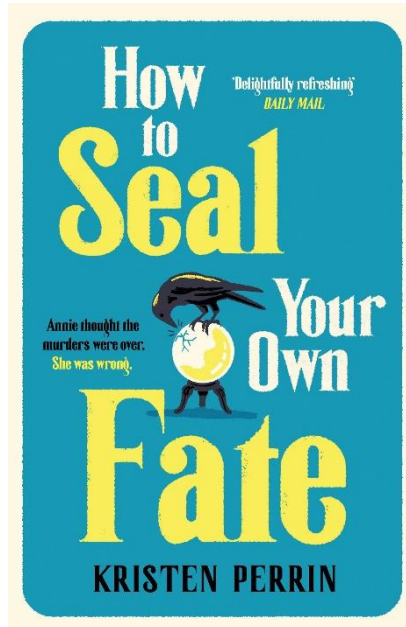
To save them, Lalloo will need to free himself from his past and face unimaginable sacrifice to carve out his own destiny...

Inspired by a true story, *When the Fireflies Dance* by Aisha Hassan is provocative, conversation-starting book club reading at its finest.

How To Seal Your Own Fate

by Kristen Perrin

The much-anticipated sequel to How To Solve Your Own Murder. A page-turning mystery with an unforgettable cast of characters.



March 27th 2025

Annie thought the murders were over.

She was wrong.

It is autumn in Castle Knoll and Annie Adams is busy settling into her new home. She doesn't find Gravesdown Hall particularly cosy, especially since she found two dead bodies there over the summer. What's more, ever since she arrived in the village, Annie has had the creeping sense she's being watched.

Lonely, and desperate for some company, Annie starts talking to a stranger she meets in the grounds of the estate. The striking old woman introduces herself as Peony Lane, the fortune-teller who predicted Great Aunt Frances' murder all those years ago. And now she has a fortune to tell Annie.

Desperate not to fall into the same trap as Frances, Annie flees Peony Lane, refusing to hear any of her grim predictions. But she can't outrun Peony for long, as hours later she finds her, dead on the floor of Gravesdown Hall, a ruby-hilted dagger plunged into her back.

But who killed the mysterious fortune teller and why? And can Frances' library of evidence help Annie solve the case?

Swept Away

by Beth O' Leary

The epic new romance about your one-night stand becoming your one and only lifeline.



April 10th 2025

Sparks fly at the pub, one passionate kiss leads to another and they end up stumbling home to the marina together.

The next morning, hungover and shaken by an amazing night together, Lexi is more than ready for Zeke to leave. There's just one small problem . . . the houseboat they stayed on has been swept out to sea.

As their supplies start to run dangerously low, and the waves pick up, Zeke and Lexi soon realise there's much more on the line than their new relationship.

How long can they really survive on a drifting houseboat in the North Sea? Will search and rescue find them? And who will they be if they both make it back to dry land?

Speak to Me of Home

by Jeanine Cummins

A heartstopping novel of a family weathering a storm that will either drive them apart, or finally bring them back home.



May 13th 2025

'She has to get to Daisy immediately. And here is a monster in her path.'

It is a Tuesday evening in June when Ruth receives the phone call that all parents dread.

Her daughter Daisy has been hit by a car during a deadly storm in Puerto Rico.

How Ruth wishes she could tell Daisy she loves her. That she is sorry her own muddy feelings about Daisy's move to San Juan caused them to fight. *What a waste of precious breath.*

Instinctively, it's her mother, Rafaela, Ruth wants to turn to. Rafaela whose own memories of growing up in Puerto Rico are becoming ever more vivid, as have her sudden flashes of forgetfulness.

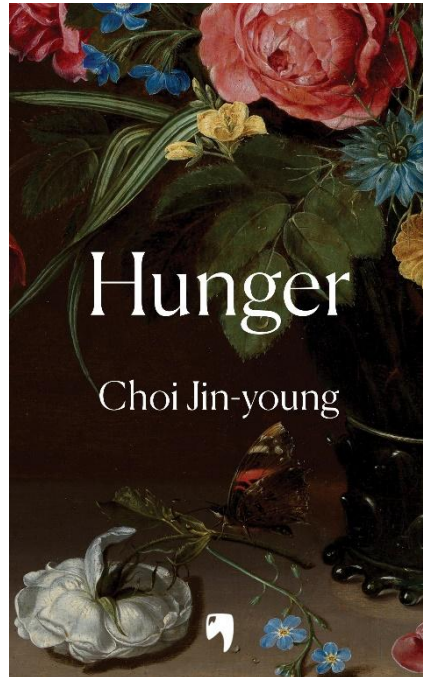
Can Rafaela close the gap between her daughter and granddaughter?

Can she bring them home, before it's too late?

Hunger

By Choi Jin-young

ROMEO & JULIET meets THE VEGETARIAN, HUNGER is the quarter-of-a-million copy Korean cult classic phenomenon that defined a generation.



April 24th 2025

I COULD GO TO THE POLICE STATION AND CONFESS. I COULD FIND A PRIEST AND CONFESS. I ATE A PERSON. IS THAT A SIN?

It begins at the end. When writer Dam discovers her soulmate, Gu, murdered in cold blood on the street, she cradles his corpse to her chest and begins to tell him one last story.

A chain of monologues snaking between this realm and the next coalesce into the timeless tale of two conjoined souls who, together, persevere through adult life in an unidentified Korean city. It's a love story starved by bad luck and missed chances until death do them part - or part by part as the lovers choose a different ending...

Dam confesses that she has been slowly eating Gu, whose cradled corpse she has lovingly washed, embalmed and chosen to bury in her own - where he will rest - forever.

At once romantic and horrific, HUNGER is a psychologically thrilling love story cutting to the very heart of existence, grief, and how brutally we rage – tooth and nail - against the savage finality of death.

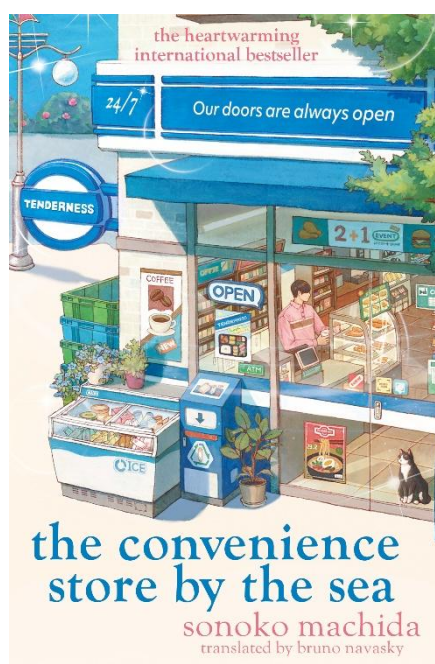
Translations

The Convenience Store by the Sea

by Sonoko Machida

trans. Bruno Navasky

The delightfully quirky and heartfelt stories of the store's customers and employees, offering us all a unique recipe for a good, fulfilling life.



30th January 2025

Welcome to Tenderness!

A quaint seaside town in Kitakyushu, Mojiko is full of hidden delights. And one unexpected treasure is the 24/7 convenience store, Tenderness.

At first glance, it's a store like any other. Sure, it's a bit odd that the handsome manager has his own fan club. And perhaps the customers are somewhat eccentric. But there's a warmth about Tenderness that draws you in.

The bright lights are always on. The employees know you by name. And the shelves are stacked with delicious treats, from strong hot coffee to sweet parfaits, egg sandos to ramen, crispy fried chicken to refreshing soba.

After a while, you get the feeling that whatever you need might just be waiting for you here...

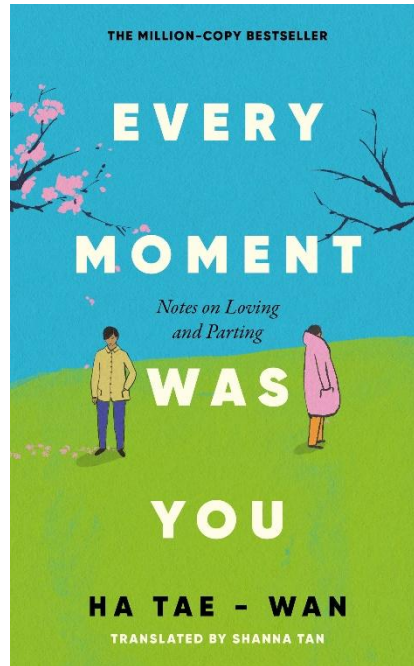
Celebrating the joy of connection and community, *The Convenience Store by the Sea* is the heartwarming international bestseller from award-winning Japanese novelist Sonoko Machida.

Every Moment Was You

by Ha Tae -Wan

trans. Shanna Tan

A Korean runaway bestseller on love, heartbreak, growing up and moving on.



May 15th 2025

With heart-wrenchingly beautiful stories of fate and yearning that sparked a social media frenzy in South Korea, *Every Moment Was You* is a straightforwardly written, yet also deeply moving collection of short essays about life and love.

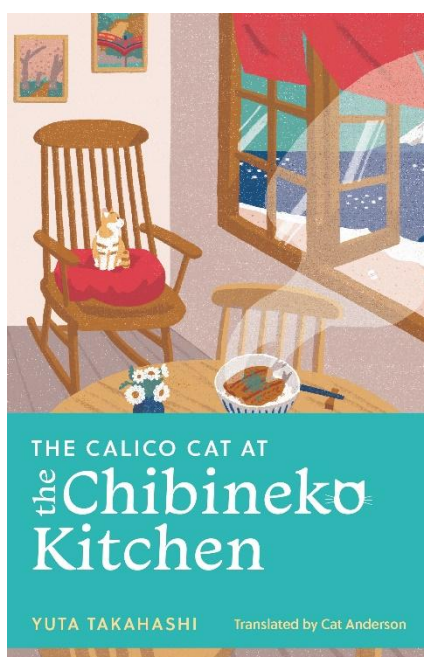
Warmly describing the joy and clumsiness of daily experiences, countless readers across Asia have found the book to be a faithful companion, offering them consolation and strength to deal with the pain, stress and sadness that might come with modern life, but also the encouragement to look to the future with positivity and direction.

The Calico Cat at the Chibineko Kitchen

by Yuta Takahashi,

trans. Cat Anderson

***THE NEXT INSTALLMENT IN THE HIT CHIBINEKO KITCHEN
SERIES.***



June 5th 2025

Follow the bank of the Koitogawa river until you reach the beach. From there a path of white seashells will lead you to the Chibineko Kitchen. Step inside, they'll be expecting you.

Nagi Hayakawa is facing an impossible choice. Should she agree to marry her boyfriend, despite being ill and not knowing how many years she has left to live, or should she protect him from future heartbreak by refusing? Desperate for advice from the one person no longer there to give it - her mother who died years before - she reserves a table at the Chibineko Kitchen.

When she takes her first bite of the miso

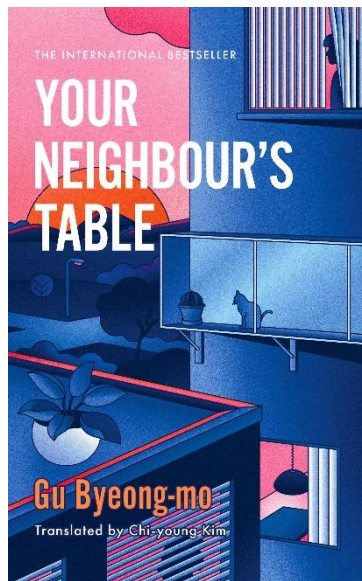
-marinated tofu and rice, prepared for her by the restaurant's young chef, Kai, the gulls outside fall silent and the air grows hazy. Deliciously heart-warming, *The Chibineko Kitchen* is about savouring every moment.

Your Neighbour's Table

by Gu Byeong-mo

trans. Chi-young Kim

A poignant and thought-provoking novel in the best Korean literary tradition, exploring the notion of community and women's parenting labour.



December 3rd 2024

From the award-winning author of *The Old Woman with the Knife* comes the thought-provoking story of community and the cultural expectations of motherhood, through four women whose lives intersect in unexpected ways at a government-run apartment complex outside Seoul.

When Yojin moves with her husband and daughter into the Dream Future Pilot Communal Apartments, she's ready for a fresh start. Located on the outskirts of Seoul, the experimental community is a government initiative designed to boost the national birth rate. Like her neighbours, Yojin has agreed to have at least two more children over the next ten years.

Yet, from the day she arrives, Yojin feels uneasy about the community spirit thrust upon her. Her concerns grow as communal child care begins and the other parents show their true colours. *Your Neighbour's Table* traces the lives of four women in the apartments, all with different aspirations and beliefs.

Will they find a way to live peacefully? Or are society's expectations stacked against them from the start?

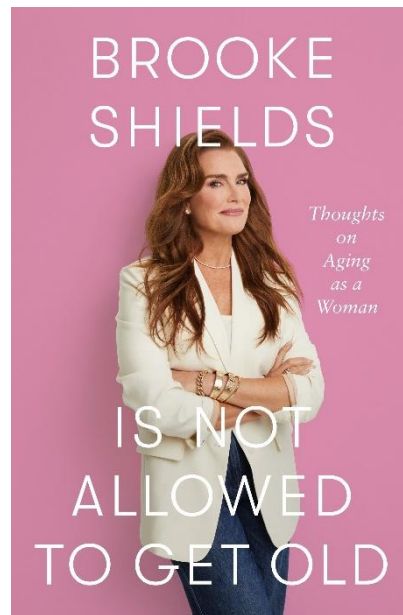
A trenchant social novel from an award-winning author, *Your Neighbour's Table* incisively illuminates the unspoken imbalance of women's parenting labour and the challenges of working towards a better life.

Biographies and Memoirs

Brooke Shields is Not Allowed to Get Old

Brooke Shields

From generational icon Brooke Shields comes an intimate and empowering exploration of ageing that flips the script on the idea of what it means for a woman to grow older.



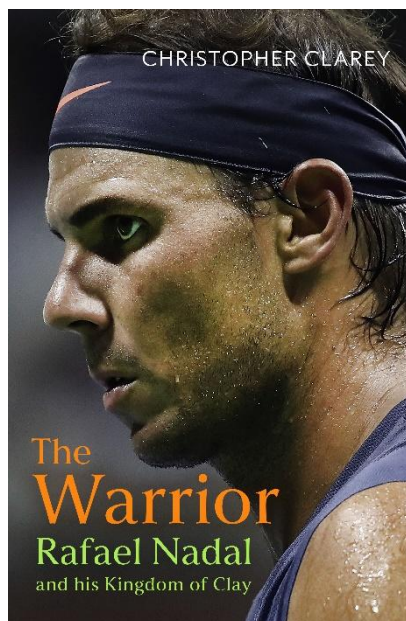
14th January 2025

Brooke Shields has spent a lifetime in the public eye. Growing up as a child actor and model, her every feature was scrutinised, her every decision judged. Today Brooke faces a different kind of scrutiny: that of being a 'woman of a certain age'. And yet, for Brooke, the passage of time has brought freedom. At fifty-nine, she feels more comfortable in her skin, more empowered and confident than she did decades ago in those famous Calvin Kleins. Now, in *Brooke Shields Is Not Allowed to Get Old*, she's changing the narrative about women and ageing. With remarkable candour, Brooke bares all, painting a vibrant and optimistic picture of being a woman in the prime of her life, while dismantling the myths that have, for too long, dimmed that perception. Sharing her own life experiences with humour and humility, and weaving together research and reporting, Brooke takes aim at the systemic factors that contribute to age-related bias. By turns inspiring, moving, and galvanising, Brooke's honesty and vulnerability will resonate with women everywhere, and spark a new conversation about the power and promise of midlife.

The Warrior: Rafael Nadal and his Kingdom of Clay

by Christopher Clarey

*From the bestselling author of **The Master**, an intimate biography of tennis's living legend Rafael Nadal - publishing in Nadal's final year before retirement.*



May 8th 2025

Tennis is not short on history. When Nadal arrived on the scene in 2005, the record for men's singles titles at the French Open stood at six, held by Bjorn Borg. Almost twenty years later, Nadal has more than doubled Borg's total with a mind-boggling fourteen titles. His record will undoubtedly remain his signature achievement - the stat that will define him in memory twenty, fifty, even a hundred years from now. Fourteen certainly looks like the only major tennis record that will never be broken even if Nadal, a modest champion despite his flashy résumé, rejects that kind of definitive thinking.

Legendary sports reporter and bestselling author Christopher Clarey has interviewed Nadal and his coaches from his first French Open victory at nineteen, marking his debut as a rising star on the premier clay-court event in the world, to his most recent victory in 2022, closing out an astonishing career as one of the greatest players of all time.

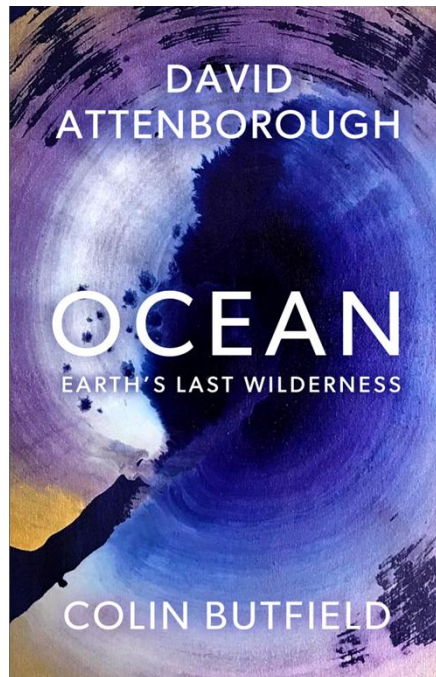
Brimming with behind-the-scenes insight into the story of a global sporting icon, *The Warrior* is a must-read account for the loyal sports fan - and anyone interested in the evolution of excellence.

Economics, Politics, and History

Ocean

by David Attenborough and Colin Butfield

A landmark publication by the greatest natural history broadcaster of our times on how to save the ocean - and consequently our planet.



8th May 2025

From the icy oceans of our poles to remote coral islands, David Attenborough has filmed in every ocean habitat on planet earth. Now, with long-term collaborator Colin Butfield, he shares the story of our last great, critical wilderness, and the one which shapes the land we live on, regulates our climate and creates the air we breathe.

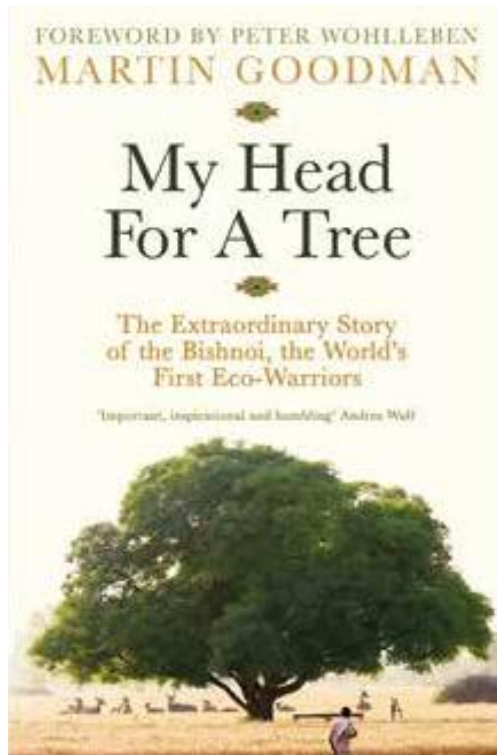
Through one hundred years, eight unique ocean habitats, countless intriguing species - and through personal stories, history and cutting-edge science - *Ocean* uncovers the mystery, the wonder and the frailty of the most unexplored habitat on our planet. And it shows its remarkable resilience: it is the part of our world that can, and in some cases has, recovered the fastest, and in our lifetimes we could see a fully restored marine world, even richer and more spectacular than we could possibly hope, if we act now.

It is a book almost a century in the making, but one that has never been more urgently needed.

My Head For A Tree

by Martin Goodman

*Meet the Bishnoi, the world's oldest sustainable community – with a foreword from Peter Wohlleben, author of **The Hidden Life of Trees**.*



23rd January 2025

How much can one love a tree? Rajasthan, in northern India, is home to the Bishnoi, a community renowned for the extreme lengths they go to in order to protect nature: Bishnoi men and women have died to defend trees from loggers and wildlife from poachers.

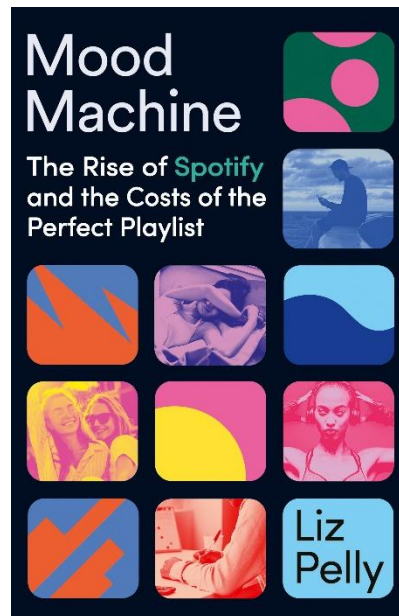
Writer and conservationist Martin Goodman, one of few trusted outsiders, relates the history of the Bishnoi, and asks what a world facing climate change and natural disaster can learn from a 600-year-old sustainable community leading an existence in delicate balance with nature and under threat from rapacious modernity.

My Head for a Tree offers a timely reflection on indigenous, community-based activism and how we might adjust our lives to fight for the natural world.

Mood Machine

by Liz Pelly

*A SEARING INVESTIGATION INTO HOW SPOTIFY HAS DRASTICALLY CHANGED
MUSIC FOREVER.*



January 30th 2025

An unsparing investigation into Spotify's origins and influence on music, weaving unprecedented reporting with incisive cultural criticism, illuminating how streaming is reshaping music for listeners and artists alike.

Drawing on over a hundred interviews with industry insiders, former Spotify employees, and musicians, *Mood Machine* takes us to the inner workings of today's highly consolidated record business, showing what has changed as music has become increasingly playlisted, personalized, and autoplayed.

Building on her years of wide-ranging reporting on streaming, music journalist Liz Pelly details the consequences of the Spotify model by examining both sides of what the company calls its two-sided marketplace: the listeners who pay with their dollars and data, and the musicians who provide the material powering it all. The music business is notoriously opaque, but here Pelly lifts the veil on major stories like streaming services filling popular playlists with low-cost stock music and the rise of new payola-like practices.

For all of the inequities exacerbated by streaming, Pelly also finds hope in chronicling the artist-led fight for better models, pointing toward what must be done collectively to revalue music and create sustainable systems. A timely exploration of a company that has become synonymous with music, *Mood Machine* will change the way you think about and listen to music.

House of Huawei

by Eva Dou

The untold story of the mysterious company that shook the world.



January 14th 2025

On the coast of southern China, an eccentric entrepreneur spent three decades steadily building an obscure telecom company into one of the world's most powerful technological empires with hardly anyone noticing.

This all changed in December 2018, when the detention of Meng Wanzhou, Huawei Technologies' female scion, sparked an international hostage standoff, poured fuel on the U.S.-China trade war, and suddenly thrust the mysterious company into the international spotlight.

In *House of Huawei*, Washington Post technology reporter Eva Dou pieces together a remarkable portrait of Huawei's reclusive founder Ren Zhengfei and how he built a sprawling corporate empire - one whose rise Western policymakers have become increasingly obsessed with halting. The book dissects the global web of power, money, influence, surveillance, bloodshed and national glory that Huawei helped to build – and that has also ensnared it.

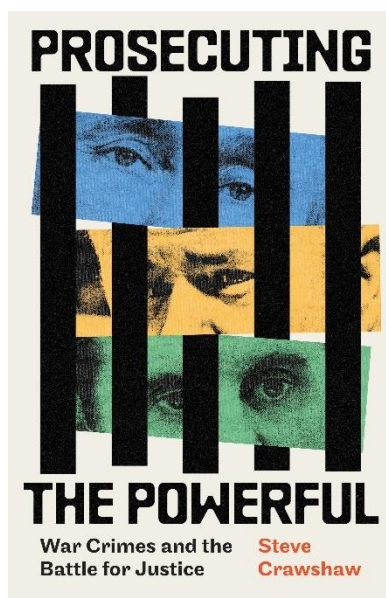
Based on wide-ranging interviews and painstaking archival research, *House of Huawei* tells an epic story of familial and political intrigue that presents a fresh window on China's rise from third-world country to U.S. rival and shines a clarifying light on the security considerations that keep world leaders up at night.

House of Huawei holds a mirror up to one of the world's most mysterious companies as never before.

Prosecuting the Powerful

by Steve Crawshaw

Could Putin or other war criminals ever be put on trial? Steve Crawshaw's compelling new history of prosecuting war crimes shows how it is more likely than you might think.



February 6th 2025

Could we ever see Vladimir Putin in the dock for his crimes? What about a Western ally like Benjamin Netanyahu? Putting a country's leader on trial once seemed unthinkable.

But as journalist and human rights advocate Steve Crawshaw describes in *Prosecuting the Powerful* - a blend of vivid reportage and gripping history - a series of remarkable changes in recent years means that, despite many challenges, both scenarios are now a possibility.

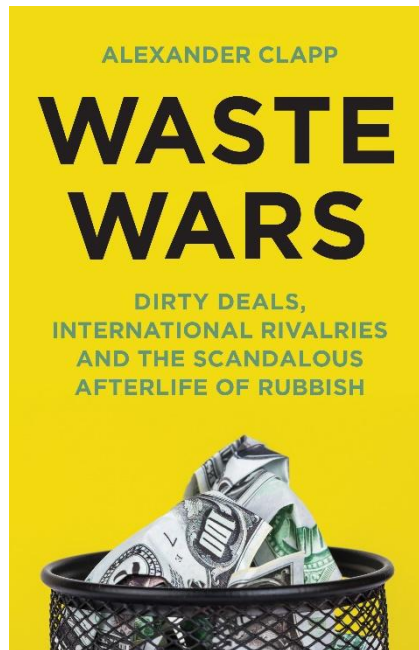
Drawing on his on-the-ground reporting from the front lines of justice in Ukraine and Israel, as well as earlier encounters with Serbian leader Slobodan Milošević and other war criminals, Crawshaw tells the story of the long struggle for accountability. Beginning with the origins of the Geneva Conventions in the 19th century, the book travels via Raphael Lemkin, who coined the term "genocide" and pressed for its punishment, and the Syrian police photographer who helped put a torturer behind bars, up to the fierce arguments today over who exactly the International Criminal Court in The Hague should hold accountable for war crimes.

Survivors are determined to achieve change. As Crawshaw argues, Western double standards cannot be allowed to tip the scales of justice.

Waste Wars

by Alexander Clapp

A riveting investigation into the dark underbelly of the global trash trade - a dirty, multi-billion-dollar industry that almost no one knows exists.



February 27th 2025

The total mass of the world's manmade materials has recently come to equal the entire biomass of the earth. This means we are living in a world where man's ability to create garbage, or eventual garbage, has surpassed the earth's ability to create life.

Dumps and landfills around the world are overflowing, and disputes about what to do with the tons of garbage generated every day have given rise to waste wars waged in just about every country on earth. Some are border skirmishes, fought to move trash out of one place and dump it into another. Others are waged across thousands of miles.

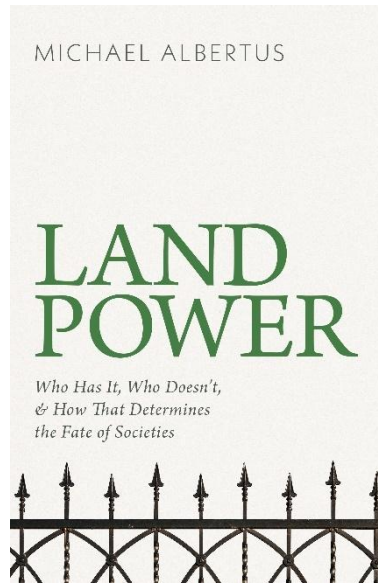
Waste Wars tells the stories of five trash conflicts being waged in different corners of the world right now. They are representative but rich strands in the story of our planet's runaway garbage pandemic. In each theater, a different commodity is being smuggled or imported or bartered. Sometimes there is a winner; sometimes there is a loser. And in each theater a different political dilemma - from global inequality to the pitfalls of green politics - is presenting itself through the seemingly pedestrian medium of trash.

A globetrotting work of relentless investigative reporting, *Waste Wars* exposes the multi-billion dollar global garbage trade in which almost everyone in the world unknowingly engages and asks: If the handling of its trash reveals deeper truths about a particular society, what does the global business of trash say about our world today?

Land Power

by Michael Albertus

An award-winning political scientist shows that a society's path to prosperity, sustainability, and equality depends on who owns the land.



16 January 2025

For millennia, land has been a symbol of wealth and privilege. But the true power of land ownership is even greater than we might think. In *Land Power*, political scientist Michael Albertus shows that who owns the land determines whether a society will be equal or unequal, whether it will develop or decline, and whether it will safeguard or sacrifice its environment.

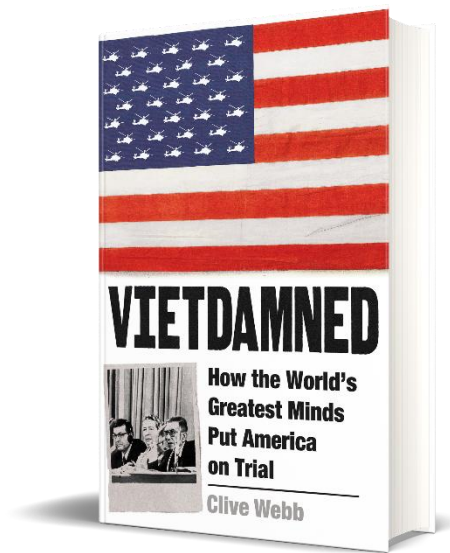
Modern history has been defined by land reallocation on a massive scale. From the 1500s on, European colonial powers and new nation-states shifted indigenous lands into the hands of settlers. The 1900s brought new waves of land appropriation, from Soviet and Maoist collectivization to initiatives turning large estates over to family farmers. The shuffle continues today as governments vie for power and prosperity by choosing who should get land. Drawing on a career's worth of original research and on-the-ground fieldwork, Albertus shows that choices about who owns the land have locked in poverty, sexism, racism, and climate crisis-and that what we do with the land today can change our collective fate.

Global in scope, *Land Power* argues that saving civilization must begin with the earth under our feet.

Vietdamned

by Clive Webb

The untold story of the writers and philosophers who took on the United States government for its war in Vietnam.



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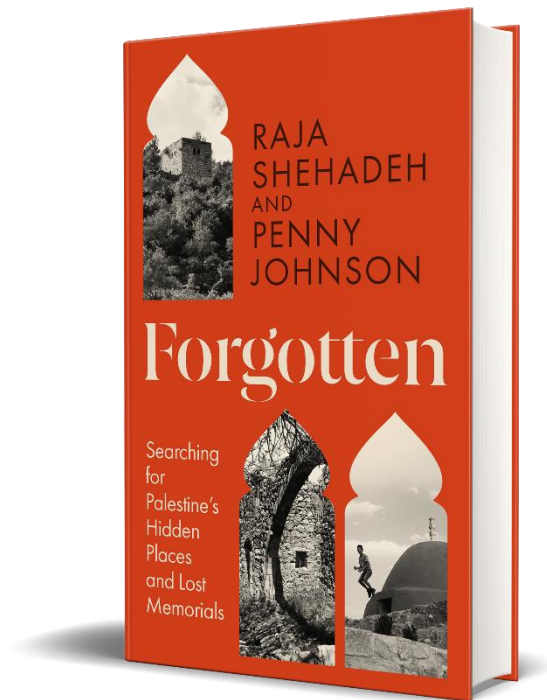
Guilty: the conclusion of many trials. But this verdict was unusual, delivered by a jury of the greatest minds of the twentieth century, among them Jean- Paul Sartre and Simone de Beauvoir, James Baldwin and Stokely Carmichael; and in the chair, legendary philosopher-mathematician Bertrand Russell. The defendant was unusual, too: the United States government.

Award-winning historian Clive Webb lays bare the extraordinary true story of the 1967 Russell Tribunal and its attempt to hold the US government to account for atrocities in the Vietnam War. The revelations that came out of the tribunal shocked the world. Vietdamned is an eye-opening account of the anti-war movement, of cover-ups and abuses of government, and of the power (and limits) of celebrity.

Forgotten

by Raja Shehadeh and Penny Johnson

From two leading writers and thinkers on Palestine: a profound meditation on memory and what we choose to memorialise.



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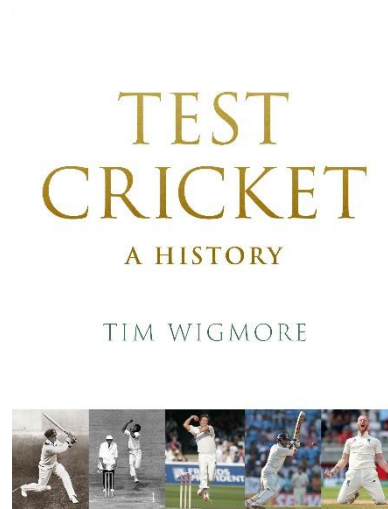
Searching through neglected memorials and sites in historic Palestine – now Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories – Raja Shehadeh and Penny Johnson explore what they tell us about the people who have lived between the Mediterranean Sea and the Jordan River.

In elegant, elegiac prose, Shehadeh and Johnson grapple with questions of Israeli resistance to acknowledging the Nakba – the 1948 Catastrophe for Palestinians – and the troubled history of Palestinian commemoration. Among ancient city ruins, at the Nabi ‘Ukkasha mosque and tomb, or at the cliffs overlooking Lebanon and on the shores of the Dead Sea, they reflect on what lies unseen, abandoned or erased, and seek connections in a fragmented land.

Test Cricket: A History

by Tim Wigmore

The first narrative history of test cricket.



April 24th 2025

The first narrative history of Test cricket as it nears its 150th birthday, telling the story of how the game has evolved since 1877, told through the moments and personalities that have shaped the format. With a focus on the game and its broader significance alike Tim Wigmore gives Test cricket its historical and social context, whilst reminding us that it's unrivalled as a fascinating sporting spectacle.

Meticulously researched and told with the passion of an award-winning writer, *Test Cricket* is also illuminated by a series of gripping fresh interviews with more than forty stars of international test cricket.

Extractive Capitalism

Laleh Khalili

*An eye-opening account of how extractive industries
power globalisation – and how to fight back.*



1st May 2025

Whether it's pumping oil, mining resources or shipping commodities across oceans, the global economy runs on extraction.

Promises of frictionless trade and lucrative speculation are the hallmarks of our era, but the backbone of globalisation is still low-cost labour and rapacious corporate control.

Extractive capitalism is what made – and is still making – our unequal world.

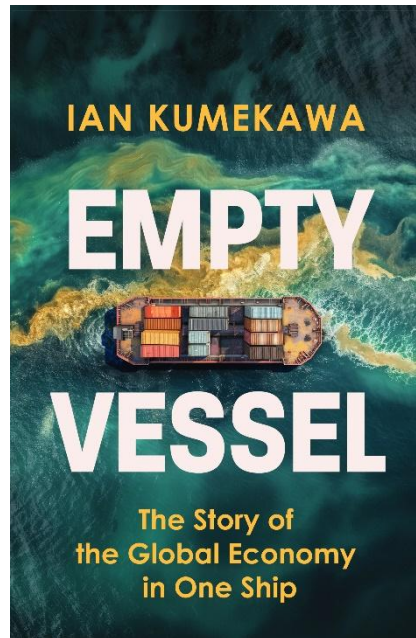
Professor Laleh Khalili reflects on the hidden stories behind late capitalism, from seafarers abandoned on debt-ridden container ships to the nefarious reach of consultancy firms and the cronyism that drives record-breaking profits.

Piercing, wry and constantly revealing, *Extractive Capitalism* brings vividly to light the dark truths behind the world's most voracious industries.

Empty Vessel

by Ian KumeKawa

A fascinating history of the world economy over the last fifty years told through the life of a single ship, from a brilliant young historian.



May 6th 2025

Capitalism. International law. Imperial decline. National sovereignty. Inflation. Sectoral stagnation. Gentrification. Mass incarceration. Booms. Busts. Racism. Greed. *Empty Vessel* is the story of globalism in one boat. First built as a Swedish offshore oil rig in the 1970s, it went on to house British soldiers in the Falklands War in the 1980s, prisoners from Riker's Island in New York's East River in the 1990s, Volkswagen factory employees in Germany in the 2000s, and Nigerian oil workers off the coast of Africa in the 2010s.

In each of its lives it arrived as an empty vessel, filled at the behest of both public and private interests, for purposes of war, incarceration, and commerce - connecting people thousands of miles apart, all shaped by the same global economic transformations. So much of our global economy is composed of specific innovations, decisions, and human experiences as concrete as the barnacles scraped off a hull.

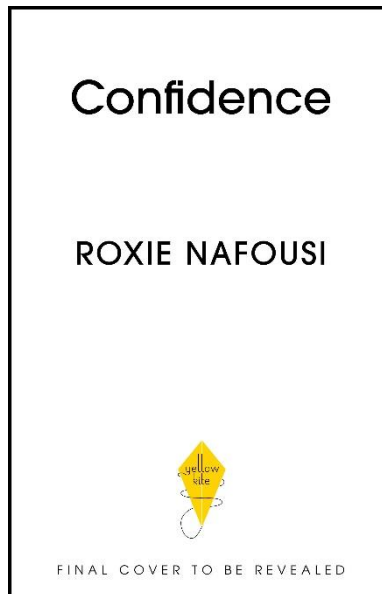
Through this party boat, prison, oil rig and war vessel. *Empty Vessel* reveals this economy to us - and warns of its rousing consequences.

Business, Self-Help, and Lifestyle

Confidence

by Roxie Nafousi

The transformative new 8-step confidence guide, from global bestseller Roxie Nafousi.



March 27th 2025

Roxie Nafousi's iconic first book, *MANIFEST*, was an instant bestseller, selling over one million copies globally - she has become the 'queen of manifesting', bringing the topic to into mainstream vocabulary.

CONFIDENCE, Roxie's transformative new book, will help us unlock our boldest, most powerful selves yet - we will be guided through 8 steps to realise our worth, break free from all that's holding us back and change the way we show up *every single day*.

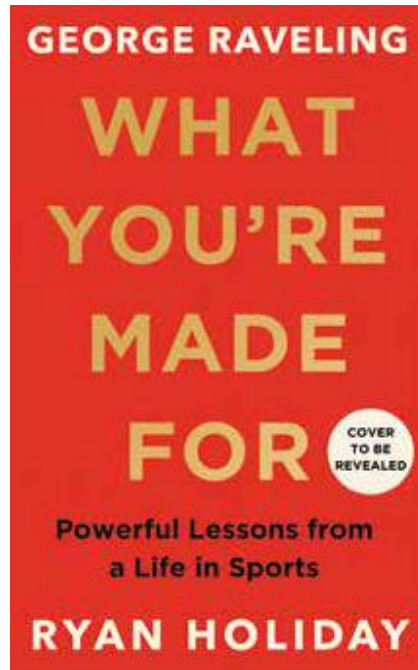
Building confidence and self-worth from the ground up is a journey, but one that will enable us to discover our best, most fulfilling lives and outlook, ready to take on anything

Manifesting was just the start: *CONFIDENCE* is the final destination. These steps will lead to true long-term empowerment and enable us to attract all that we desire.

What You're Made For

by Ryan Holiday and George Raveling

Lessons in adversity and leadership from a pioneering basketball coach and a bestselling popular philosopher.



4th March 2025

Coach George Raveling is a living icon in the fields of sport and leadership. In this remarkable book, written with long-time friend and mentee Ryan Holiday, he explores the contours of his extraordinary life and offers valuable lessons in overcoming the odds and becoming an inspirational leader.

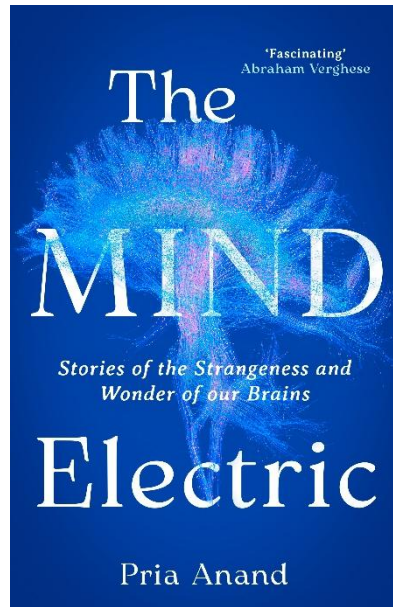
From his groundbreaking tenure as a basketball coach and his life-changing encounter with Martin Luther King Jr to his appointment as Nike's first Director of International Basketball and his integral role in signing Michael Jordan, Raveling reveals the hard-won lessons of a career defined by excellence.

This book offers unique wisdom to illuminate the path for anyone who wants to achieve their full potential and navigate life with clarity and purpose.

The Mind Electric

by Pria Anand

A thought-provoking journey through some of the strangest ways our brains can delude us and what these can teach us about medicine, narrative and being human.



June 5th 2025

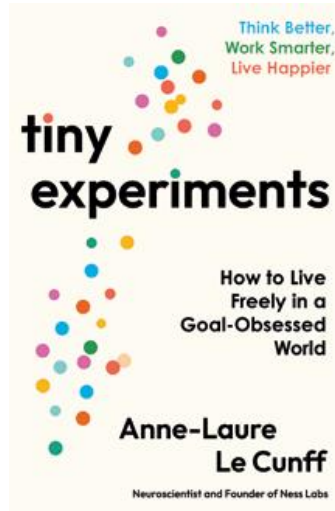
A young woman channelling the voice of the Holy Spirit. A mother whose children have been replaced by changelings. A family cursed by a mysterious inability to sleep. Pria Anand's patients come to her with myriad peculiar symptoms, but they all have something in common: their diagnosis always hinges on a story. Her task as a neurologist is akin to a detective's, piecing together the clues in a patient's account with the tells of their body in order to settle on a diagnosis.

In her gorgeously lyrical, passionate and humane first book, Pria Anand shares stories of her own patients alongside her own experiences as a doctor, a mother and a patient, in order to explore all the bizarre ways in which our brains go awry. Moving from the Boston hospital where she treats her patients, to her childhood years in India, to Isla Providencia in the Caribbean and to Guinea in West Africa, she demonstrates again and again the compelling paradox at the heart of neurology: that the strangest symptoms experienced by any single individual can show us something universal about being human.

Tiny Experiments

Anne-Laure Le Cunff

A transformative guide to rethinking our approach to goals, creativity and the pursuit of a good life.



4th March 2025

Life isn't linear, yet we constantly try to mould it to linear goals. The result is fear when we're faced with uncertainty and failure when we miss those marks. But what if, instead, we approached it as a playground for experimentation?

Neuroscientist and entrepreneur Anne-Laure Le Cunff reveals that all you need is an experimental mindset to turn challenges into self-discovery and doubt into opportunity.

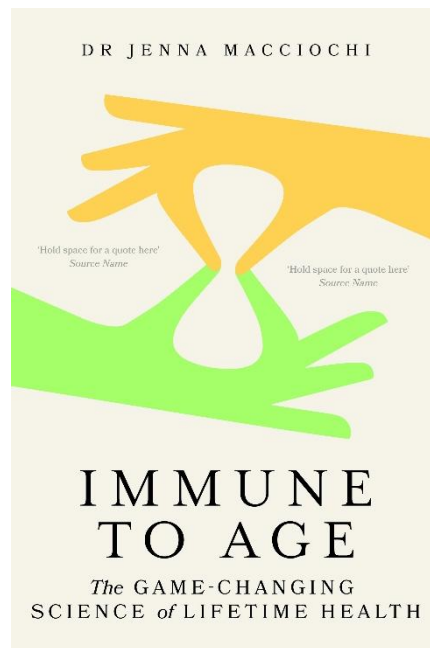
Drawing on the latest science, she offers practical tools to help readers break free from harmful limiting beliefs, harness the power of imperfection and make smarter decisions when the path ahead is unclear.

Above all, this is a guide to reawakening curiosity and drive, so that we can discover and pursue our most authentic ambitions.

Immune to Age

by Dr Jenna Macciochi

Immunologist Dr Jenna Macciochi explores the crucial role our immune system plays in longevity and reveals why understanding its impact on our health and how we age is the key to living longer, better.



June 19th 2025

This is a paradigm shift in the way we think about time, ageing, and being truly well.

In today's rapidly evolving landscape of health and longevity, we are witnessing a profound change in our understanding of human potential. We're living longer, with more access to personalised information than ever before, and yet few of us truly understand the key processes that dictate our overall health.

Long misunderstood as merely the body's first line of defence against disease, we are only now beginning to understand the crucial role that the immune system plays in how we age.

This mind-bogglingly complex network -- intricately woven throughout our entire being, from brain to big toe -- drives everything from metabolic function to brain health, and it is the single greatest arbiter of our lifespan and, more importantly, our healthspan.

In *Immune to Age*, immunologist Dr Jenna Macciochi blends cutting-edge scientific expertise with beautiful storytelling and actionable advice to explore the importance of good immune health at every stage of life, from conception right through to our wintering years. From gut health to brain health, inflammation to hormonal shifts, *Immune to Age* is the ultimate preventative care framework that equips readers with the knowledge and tools to reclaim control over their health and ensure every year is a good one.

Pitch

by Danny Fontaine

A game-changing guide to the art, science and joy of pitching.



8th May 2025

Pitching sucks.

The word alone conjures up dull PowerPoint decks, pushy tactics and shouty emails.

But it doesn't have to be that way.

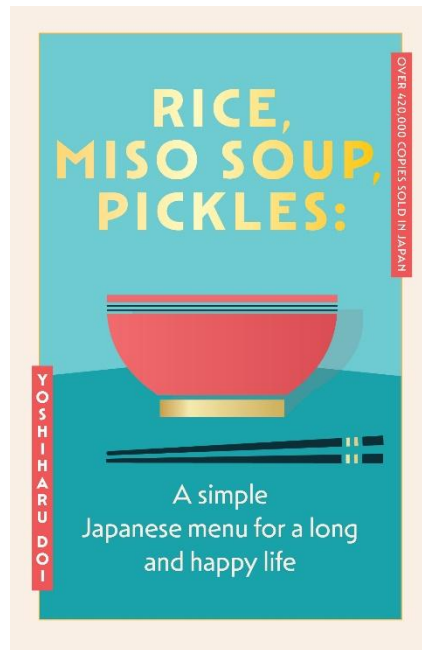
Danny Fontaine, an expert in innovative pitching, presents a cutting-edge guide that transforms pitching into an exciting, creative experience. Drawing on his pitching expertise, he delves into the psychology of connection and storytelling mastery alongside practical methods for persuasion. All accompanied by insights and anecdotes of some of the very best – and worst – pitches of all time.

These techniques work in any context, from corporate boardrooms to after-dinner speeches, and show that great pitching is about creating experiences and evoking emotions. Forget PowerPoint and discover how to captivate any audience, win more deals – and have fun doing it!

Rice, Miso Soup, Pickles

by Yoshiharu Doi

Using the simplest of ingredients, revered Japanese chef Yoshiharu Doi serves a philosophy of Japanese food and a new way to live.



8th May 2025

'Rice, miso soup, pickles is not just a recommended Japanese menu. It's a system, a philosophy, and an aesthetic.'

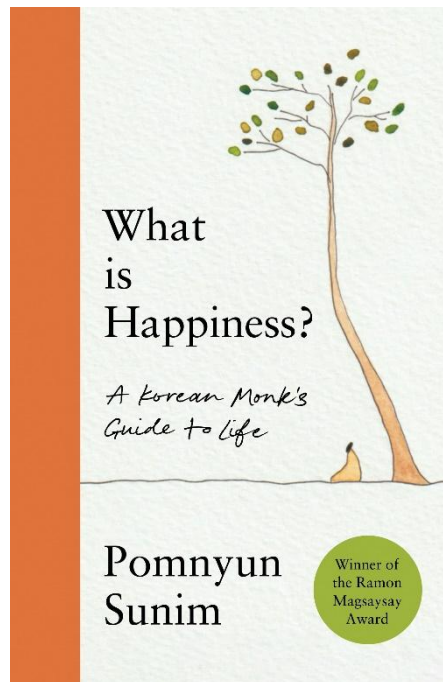
Rice, Miso Soup, Pickles is the original form of Japanese cuisine: a simple bowl of rice, miso soup containing various ingredients, and pickles. Doi urges readers to adopt this traditional Japanese diet to make life and cooking easier - creating a routine and making home a place of reassurance and comfort.

Rice, Miso Soup, Pickles is a way to rediscover and preserve the essence of Japanese culture: sensitivity, simplicity, modesty, seasonality, and cleanliness. As Doi writes, it is more than just a recommended menu, it is a philosophy, an aesthetic, and a way of living.

What Is Happiness

by Pomnyun Sunim

A collection of wisdom by a prominent Korean Buddhist monk who seeks to teach readers how to achieve happiness from within and combat day-to-day anxieties and insecurities.



February 27th 2025

'When I ask people, "Are you happy?" in my talks, very few people say yes.' There are many things that seem to prevent us from being happy in our lives. Usually, things don't turn out the way we want them to. It could be unfulfilled goals, bad habits, a society that's built to benefit only those at the very top, or the loops of self-deprecation that many of us find ourselves falling into. But we can take control of our happiness, whatever life throws at us. We all have the right, and the ability, to be happy regardless of our situation.

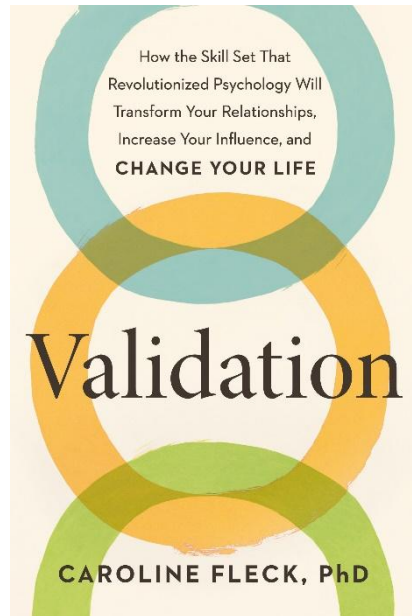
With his simple yet profound teachings, Buddhist monk Pomnyun Sunim shows us how to combat day-to-day anxiety, insecurity, anger, and discouragement. He explains why humans are prone to self-destruction, and redirects our focus to finding happiness.

This book has touched countless lives and uplifted spirits in Korea, and it's time for the rest of the world to experience and understand exactly what is happiness.

Validation

by Caroline Fleck

A new and lasting approach to changing others and ourselves, from a world leading psychologist at Stanford University.



February 20th 2025

We all spend a huge amount of time trying to get people to listen to us, and despite our best efforts, we often fail. But what if the secret to influencing others was in first accepting them?

This is known as *validation*: the communication that one is mindful, understands, and empathises with another person's experience, accepting it as valid. As both a means and an end, validation has profound effects - from improving our relationships and de-escalating conflict, to increasing our ability to drive change and influence growth in others and ourselves. In this groundbreaking book, Stanford University psychologist Caroline Fleck explains how and why validation is a catalyst for transformation, while taking us step-by-step through the eight skills we can use to communicate it.

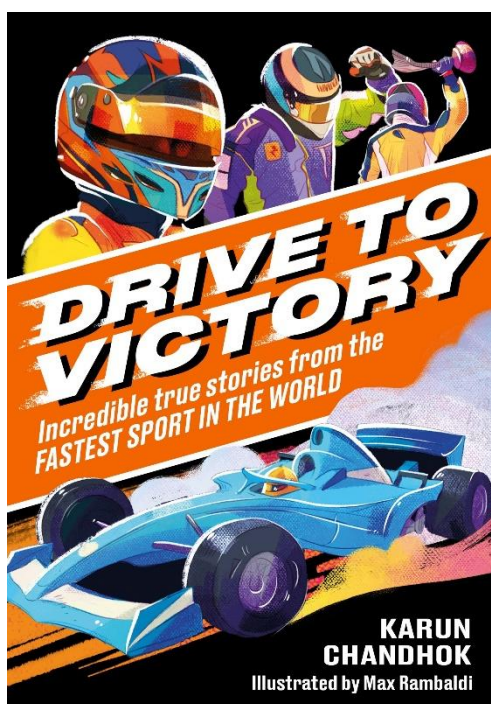
With practice, these skills become a way of life, helping us to focus on the possibilities that unfold when we see ourselves and others for who we really are.

Children's Non-Fiction

Drive to Victory

by Karun Chandhok

The perfect read for the Formula 1-mad kid in your life. Written by real-life racing driver Karun Chandhok!



February 13th 2025

How fast do Formula 1 cars really go? How do you become a racing driver? What track is the hardest to drive in the world?

Discover the most amazing stories and incredible stats and facts about the fastest and most exciting sport on the planet. From trackside to podium, leading Sky Sports Grand Prix commentator and former Formula 1 driver Karun Chandhok showcases the best teams, drivers, tracks, cars, jaw-dropping moments and more.

Featuring the iconic drivers on the circuit today, including Lewis Hamilton, Max Verstappen, Lando Norris and George Russell, plus iconic drivers from the past like Michael Schumacher, Sebastian Vettel and Jenson Button, and the trailblazing female drivers Maria Terese de Filippis and Lella Lombardi - and not forgetting the great teams and impressive tracks that push drivers to their limit.

Karun takes readers behind the scenes and under the bonnet to show what it really takes to drive to success in the world of F1 and how you can be a part of it.