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Previous Titles

An Aviary of Small Birds (2014)
Seasonal Disturbances (2017)
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TOP DOLL Shortlisted for the T. S. Eliot 2024

Karen McCarthy Woolf

Keynote

The complex, lyrical, hilarious and completely wonderful debut novel by award-winning poet and campaigner, Karen McCarthy Woolf.

Description

'Extraordinarily inventive, witty, moving and profound.' Bernardine Evaristo

'If you read one novel this year, let it be *Top Doll*. This is innovative, exquisitely crafted storytelling at its finest.' Malika Booker

When reclusive billionaire Huguette Clark dies age 104, she leaves behind a suite of New York apartments, a meticulously upkept California mansion, at least one Monet and her vast collection of antique dolls. Having barely been outside for 50 years, the elusive Clark spoke to few--in this highly unreliable, semi-fictional miniature epic, the dolls tell all.

Theirs is a tale that takes us from their lavish Park Avenue home back in time to the slave plantations of Virginia and the palaces of Imperial Japan via the addictive hedonism of 1930s queer LA.

Joyfully irreverent, *Top Doll* is a story of love, betrayal, Barbies and ultimately, what it means to be human.

'An astonishing combination of depth, compassion and beauty. A constant series of delicious surprises.' Leone Ross

Praise for *An Aviary of Small Birds*:

'Beautiful, painful, pitch-perfect . . . McCarthy Woolf's tuning fork always rings true.' *Guardian*

'I loved Karen McCarthy Woolf's technically perfect poems of winged heartbreak.' Maggie Gee, *The Observer*

Praise for *Seasonal Disturbances*:

'A strange and stunning collection from a true writer. Vulnerable, hilarious and wise.' Warsan Shire

'An unclassifiable book, revolutionary in its engagement with form, stunning in its intersectional politics, and an extraordinary achievement . . . It will break you, in a good way.' Poetry School Books of the Year 2017

Sales Points

- **PRIZE-WINNING AUTHOR:** The debut novel of Karen McCarthy Woolf, an acclaimed poet who has won the Laurel Prize, as well as been shortlisted for the Forward Felix Dennis Prize and the Jerwood Prize.
- **ORIGINAL TRUE-TO-LIFE STORY:** A brilliant and experimental verse novel exploring the real and extraordinary life of reclusive heiress Huguette Clark, to be placed amidst titles such as Kae Tempest's *Brand New Ancients* and Bernardine Evaristo's *Lara*
- **FAMOUS FANS:** Woolf's previous work has received extensive praise from celebrated poets, such as Jo Shapcott FRSL, Warsan Shire FRSL, Valzhyna Mort and Rowan Ricardo Phillips

Reviews

- 'By turns poetic, subversive and intensely absorbing, *Top Doll* is doing something unique and wildly imaginative within the form and structures of the novel. **With *Top Doll*, McCarthy Woolf firmly establishes herself as one of the most intellectually daring writers of our generation.'** - Mona Arshi
- **'Wild, queer and unstoppably inventive . . . McCarthy Woolf possesses a rare, uncanny power in prose and lyric,** staging a fantastic line-up of dolls with their personal baggage and societal wounds. **This book is poignantly absurd and unsentimentally tender - a one-off.'** - Kit Fan, author of *THE INK CLOUD READER* and *DIAMOND HILL*
- **'An immersive, playful, multi-voiced time-travelling story . . . Both McCarthy Woolf's father and mine arrived in England from Jamaica on the same boat. This book extends our shared journey through the history of our lineages in ways that are beautiful, surprising, painful and yes, humorous. McCarthy Woolf has written**

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- **a book that is truly worthy of the term "novel"**.' - Raymond Antrobus
- Karen McCarthy Woolf has invented a new species of novel - part prose, part poem, and part memoir. That it's almost all spoken by dolls is astonishing, but she's given each voice her full spectrum of powers as a poet; their voices are acerbic, hilarious, and deliciously alive! **Every line is laced with wit, critiquing society and inequality. *Top Doll* is a virtuoso wonder.**' - Pascale Petit

Author Biography

Karen McCarthy Woolf was elected as a Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature in 2022. She was born in London to English and Jamaican parents. Karen's radio credits include *Night Shift*, a reworking of Homer's *Odyssey* for R4 Book of the Week; *Miss Birdie's Letter*, a music/poetry travelogue for R3 Between the Ears; and a collaborative adaptation of Virginia Woolf's *Orlando* which was a BBC Drama of the Week. She is currently working at the Promise Institute for International Human Rights Law as a Fulbright Scholar, co-presenting R4's *Poetry Please*, lecturing in China and collaborating with various techno music producers for events across London. *Top Doll* is her debut novel.

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Advocate A voice from the margins

Lennina Ofori

Keynote

Part-memoir, part-manifesto, *Advocate* demonstrates how we can all be a voice for change in an increasingly divided world

Description

'Vital and illuminating . . . *Advocate* is a book that is equally generous and insightful, putting much of modern British narratives into sharp perspective . . . It's a gift' Jeffrey Boakye, author of *Black, Listed* and *I Heard What You Said*

Lennina Ofori is a force of nature: a teen mother, a supportive older sister, a PhD candidate, a support system, a social entrepreneur, a survivor. Above all, she is an advocate. She has spent her life working for those relegated to the margins, and in this book, she lends her voice to them.

Weaving in her own life story, from her beautiful family to her hardest struggles, Ofori opens the door to intersections that are familiar to many - race, class and gender - and uses her expertise to embolden readers to make active change in their own lives. Drawing on knowledge from across the globe, from the teachings of bell hooks to government reports, Ofori makes accessible topics that are so often ignored. From her unique perspective as a Black woman who has lived many lives, Ofori is a daring voice for change and hope in modern life.

Advocate is a tale of personal resistance, but also a manifesto for action. With great candour, wit and beautiful language, Ofori will call you to make change not just for your own sake, but for those in the margins

Sales Points

- For readers of Kerry Hudson's *Lowborn*, Afua Hirsch's *Brit(ish)*, and Cash Carraway's *Sink Estate*
- Ofori is a well-established campaigner and entrepreneur working with and for the marginalised in Britain.

Author Biography

Lennina Ofori, a multi-award-winning DEI writer, researcher and educator, has steadfastly championed diversity, equality and inclusion for marginalised youth and adults throughout her career. With an MA in Theatre and the Criminal Justice System from the Royal Central School of Speech and Drama, Lennina is currently advancing her expertise through a Doctorate focused on Children and Young People Services, focusing on storytelling for systemic and social change. Her career is a testament to her passion for addressing and amending the disparities faced by marginalised communities through informed, creative and impactful storytelling, research and action.

A beacon in global, national, and community initiatives aimed at challenges such as workplace equity, social reform and community safety, Lennina uses her narrative prowess and rigorous research to challenge and change societal structures, fostering equity and understanding. As the founder of an indie production and social action research company, Lennina is focused on narratives and research that catalyse social justice, propelling discussions that lead to real change. As CEO and founder of a supported housing company, Lennina and her team provide looked-after children and 18+ care leavers with the guidance, skills and support they need to thrive as adults and build fulfilling, independent lives. Her work not only narrates a need for change but actively participates in the building of a more just and equitable society.

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Winter Animals 'Remarkable – think THE SECRET HISTORY written by Raven Leilani' Jenny Mustard

Ashani Lewis

Keynote

A seductive debut about the power of youthful idealism from an exciting young award-winning writer

Description

'Excellent . . . Ashani Lewis is **superbly talented**.' Katherine Rundell

'Thoughtful, intelligent and beautifully written . . . Lewis is definitely **a new talent to watch**.' *Marie Claire*, "Best Books of 2024"

Be one of the first to discover this award-winning writer's decadent and addictive debut, a must-read for fans of *The Secret History* and *The Guest*

In one of America's Happiest Cities, thirty-eight-year-old Elen is trapped under the shadow of the snow-capped Cascade Mountains. Her husband has left her. Her belongings are in the boot of her car. Her days are filled mostly with silence and drinking. When she meets four English teenagers in an empty bar, she is enamoured.

Luka, Clover, George and Lyn are wealthy squatters, drifting between ski resorts and breaking into empty AirBnBs. When they bring Elen into their fold - and into their messy, entangled relationships - she senses a violent secret that fuels the four's never-ending disappearing act.

Dazzling, cultish, and intensely committed to creating their own utopia, they force Elen to ruminate on the irresistible pull of bright young things.

She doesn't understand what they want from her, but how can she leave when she has nowhere else to go?

A dark meditation on the dangers and seductive power of youthful idealism, and the slippages between friendship and love, *Winter Animals* is an extraordinary debut examining freedom, friendship, desire and excess.

'**A dreamlike, piercing examination of privilege, youth and freedom.**' Cecile Pin, author of *Wandering Souls*

'**Atmospheric as hell, beautiful, and delightfully intelligent** . . . Think *The Secret History* written by Raven Leilani.' Jenny Mustard, author of *Okay Days*

Sales Points

- **CAPTURES THE ZEITGEIST:** For fans of *The Secret History* and *The Things We Do To Our Friends*, as well as those who loved *The White Lotus* and *Yellowjackets* - the novel speaks to readers' endless fascination with stories that explore the weird and wonderful ways we act in groups.
- **STRONG AUTHOR PROFILE:** Ashani Lewis has exploded onto the literary scene after winning multiple awards, with strong, vocal support from authors such as Katherine Rundell, Cecile Pin, Rowan Hisayo Buchanan and Jarred McGinnis, who have all shared how much they love Lewis's writing.
- **PROPULSIVE, COMPELLING READING:** As a sharp and addictive story, *Winter Animals* is hard to put down. Exploring themes such as youthful idealism, cults and failed utopias - many aspects of the novel are likely to generate word-of-mouth conversation and buzz.
- **A MODERN TWIST:** Lewis playfully subverts the masculine 'lone drifter' trope popularised by Jack Kerouac and revamps it for a new generation, by centring a woman as the protagonist, and placing a sapphic romance at the heart of the story.
- **CINEMATIC SETTING:** Set in dazzling white snowy mountains, with abandoned ski resorts as a backdrop, it is easy for readers to lose themselves in the all-consuming world of the novel.

Author Biography

Ashani Lewis is a novelist and short story writer living in London, whose writing has won the Tower Poetry Prize and the Alpine Fellowship Writing Competition, as well as being featured in *Harper's Bazaar* and *Joyland*. She was a winner of the London Writers Awards 2021 in their literary fiction category.



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Filthy Rich Vampires: Second Rite
Filthy Rich Vampire: Three Queens
Filthy Rich Vampire: For Eternity

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Filthy Rich Fae TikTok made me buy it! A spicy, unputdownable slow burn enemies to lovers romantasy

Geneva Lee

Keynote

A dark and addictive new romantasy series from the bestselling author of *Filthy Rich Vampires*, set in the dark and deadly fae world of New Orleans and perfect for fans of *A Touch of Darkness* and Sarah J Maas.

Description

You made a bargain... Your soul for his - and now, you are mine. Bridgerton meets ACOTAR meets the mafia in this totally addictive slow burn enemies to lovers romantasy by TikTok sensation Geneva Lee.

Cate Holloway knows the unspoken rule of New Orleans: avoid the powerful Gage crime family at all costs. Of course, that was before her brother got caught in their chaos. Now Cate has no choice but to confront the dark and forbidding prince of New Orleans himself... and beg for her brother's life.

But Lachlan Gage is as lethal as he is beautiful... and the only currency he's interested in is her *soul*. Because Lachlan isn't just some ruthless criminal. He's fae. And he has his own secret reasons for binding her to him.

Tricked and desperate, Cate is torn between humanity and the breathtaking Otherworld. A place filled with shadows and secrets, with members of each fae court plotting against her just as her captor's motives for trapping her become more mysterious.

And if she can't break this sinister bargain in the next thirty days, she'll be bound to the inscrutable yet infuriatingly tempting fae prince and his deadly world... forever.

A deliciously dark and totally addictive new romantasy series from the bestselling author of *Filthy Rich Vampires*, set in the dark and deadly fae world of New Orleans. Perfect for fans of *A Touch of Darkness* and Sarah J Maas.

'Addictive and impossible to put down, my favourite book of the decade' **No. 1 New York Times bestselling author Rachel Van Dyken**

'10000/5 stars. OH MY GOD. READ THIS RIGHT NOW. This is first time I have ever felt a book give me a feeling close to what SJM's books did. This was INCREDIBLE. If I can't read the next one soon I might explode' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Look at me. LOOK AT ME. Stop what you are doing and go buy this right now. you can thank me later' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Holy moly! I could not put this book down. I started this at 10:30pm and finished it at 2:15am! It's that good' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Wow. Just wow. This book is definitely a top read of 2024. The plot. The banter. The tension. The mfc. The mmc. The feels. I NEED THE NEXT BOOK. LIKE NOW!!' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Definitely got me hooked. If ACOTAR and *The Shadowhunter* world had a love child, this is that book' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'This book was incredible. It had me in an absolute chokehold from start to finish. Geneva Lee can honestly do no wrong. My absolute favourite thing about this was the banter. I can't count how many times I cackled, snorted, wheezed (you get the idea) because of the banter... The tension??? I love me a book with spice, but some good tension can be better, and this was most definitely better. It's a slooooooow burn, but in some parts, the tension could actually make you blush. It was all just fantastic. The characters, their growth, the plot. I genuinely don't have a bad thing to say about this book' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'I LOVED *Filthy Rich Fae* by Geneva Lee!' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Phenomenal beginning to what I know is going to be an incredible journey! Geneva Lee always writes the most beautiful settings and unique and complex characters. I need MORE!' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'An absolute must-read book. It features captivating, phenomenal world-building

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and a **deliciously complex Fae character that you'll hate to love**, alongside a powerhouse of a female main character. This is my top read of the year' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'I happened to just pick this book up for a fun read, but **I ended up happily binge-reading the entire thing**. It gave *Bridgerton* meets Dark Fantasy, and loved it' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

Sales Points

- Guaranteed to be one of the best slow-burn romantasies you've ever read!
- A dark, sexy and utterly addictive romantasy series set in the decadent world of New Orleans and lethal Fae princes. Perfect for fans of Scarlett St. Clair, Sarah J. Maas, and Raven Kennedy.
- Geneva Lee is the *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author of over twenty-eight novels. Her bestselling Royals Saga has sold over two million copies worldwide.
- *Filthy Rich Fae* has an amazing Amazon rating of 4.6 stars, and a Goodreads rating of 4.14 stars out of 4k ratings.
- Geneva Lee has 22k followers on Instagram (@genevaleebbooks) and 20k followers on Facebook (genevaleebbooks).

Reviews

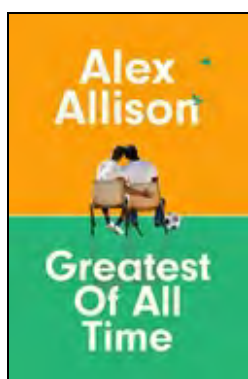
- 'Addictive and impossible to put down, my favourite book of the decade' - *No. 1 New York Times bestselling author Rachel Van Dyken*

Author Biography

Geneva Lee is the *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author of over a dozen novels, including the *Filthy Rich Vampires* series. Her Royals Saga has sold over one million copies worldwide. She is the co-owner of Away With Words, a destination bookstore in Poulsbo, Washington. When she isn't traveling, she can usually be found writing, reading or buying another pair of shoes.

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Greatest of All Time

Alex Allison

Keynote

A beautifully tender novel about queer love, coming-of-age and becoming a man in the masculine world of sport

Description

'A brave and beautiful book set at the very centre of the high-stakes - and often unforgiving - world of top-level football. The fluidity of Allison's writing really draws you in; I experienced the full gamut of emotions as I sped through this unflinching novel that gets to the heart of what it means to be a young man grappling with the pressures of growing up. **Delicate, devastating, brilliant - I loved it.'** Ashley Hickson-Lovelace

'Call Me by Your Name meets Goal! An exploration of obsession, identity and belonging which sheds light on the hidden stories that must unfold within the world of our beautiful game.' Bruce Omar Yates

'Hypnotically compelling, tender, bleak, beautiful and perturbing, often all at the same time. **Alex Allison has such a strong voice, and is such a remarkable talent. I hope to be reading his work for many years to come'** Naomi Ishiguro, author of COMMON GROUND

'Compelling . . . a gentle reminder of what we allow ourselves to suffer in the name of love when we're young and don't know any better.' Justin Myers

Samson Kabarebe is on the verge of stardom. At just nineteen, he's poised to take the football world by storm. Joining a struggling Premier League team, he steps into the spotlight, taking over the position-and squad number-of a rising homegrown talent who is wrestling with his own dreams and desires.

What begins as resentment between the two young athletes quickly evolves into an intense, undeniable bond. Samson's fiery drive, electrifying skills and irresistible charm spark a transformation, not just in the fortunes of the team, but in the lives around him. As their connection deepens, the story hurtles into a high-stakes world of competition, passion and raw want. Both men are forced to confront the pressures of masculinity, the ever-present threat of scandal, and the fragile balance of living in a body that could betray you at any moment.

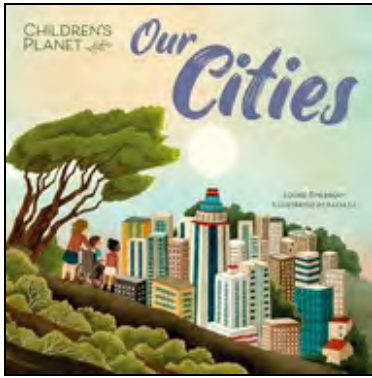
With humour, heart and a touch of rebellion, this tender novel explores queer love and the trials of growing up in the hyper-masculine world of sport.

Sales Points

- **AN INTERSECTIONAL NARRATIVE:** Allison deftly navigates a **queer coming-of-age** under the scrutinising eye of the public in the **hyper-masculine, heteronormative environment of professional football**, exploring the complexities of class and sexuality through a fresh lens.
- **WIDE-RANGING COMPS:** *Greatest of All Time* will appeal to fans of works that utilise the world of sport to deconstruct society's boundaries and prejudices, such as **Ross Raisin's *A Natural*** and **Ashley Hickson-Lovence's *Your Show***, but also readers of literary queer coming-of-age narratives with a deeply emotional relationship at their centre like **André Aciman's *Call Me by Your Name*** and **Philippe Besson's *Lie With Me***.
- **WORLDWIDE CONVERSATIONS:** With the Euros this year and the World Cup upcoming in 2026, *Greatest of All Time* is **well-placed to make the most of heightened national and international interest in football** and join the wider conversations concerning class, sexuality and race that surround the sport.
- **MAINSTREAM APPEAL:** Whilst *Greatest of All Time* will benefit from the **increasing interest in football media**, from *Ted Lasso* to *Dear England* to *The Beautiful Game*, and has already been featured in *The Times* article '**Can a new wave of football books get men to read?**', its tender explorations of queerness, coming-of-age and the pursuit of excellence will **set it beside the likes of *Challengers*** with its mainstream appeal.
- **PRIZE-WINNING AUTHOR:** Alex's debut novel, *The Art of the Body*, was a **winner of the 2020 Somerset Maugham Award and longlisted for the 2020 Desmond Elliott Prize**.

Author Biography

Alex Allison (b. 1991) lives and works in London. Alex is a graduate of the Centre for New Writing MA at University of Manchester. His debut novel, *The Art of the Body*, was published in 2019. It won a Somerset Maugham Award and was longlisted for the Desmond Elliott Prize. Alex is a fan and co-owner of AFC Wimbledon.



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Children's Planet: Our Cities

Louise Spilsbury (Illustrated By Khoa Le)

Keynote

An exquisitely illustrated picture book that explores our relationship with cities, and looks at how climate change is changing the picture

Description

An exquisitely illustrated picture book that explores our relationship with cities, and looks at how climate change is changing the picture.

More than half of the people in the world live in cities! They give us places to live, exciting place to visit and offer a home to a huge variety of animals, from speedy swifts to prowling foxes. But our cities are especially at risk from climate change and pollution. Find out how we can all help to look after our precious cities, as well as enjoy them.

Children's Planet is a beautifully illustrated series of picture books that encourage children to engage with and enjoy our precious natural surroundings. Perfect for children aged 5 and up.

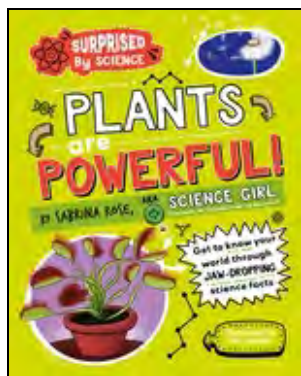
Sales Points

- Sensitively-written text by *Children in Our World* author Louise Spilsbury explains how the beauty of the natural world is there for everyone to experience and enjoy
- Children are placed at the forefront of each book, emphasising their role in helping to protect the planet
- Stunning picture-book illustrations by award-winning Vietnamese artist Khoa Le make these books both beautiful and memorable

Author Biography

Louise Spilsbury (Author)

Award-winning author Louise Spilsbury, who also writes under the name Louise Kay Stewart, has written over 250 books for young people on a wide range of exciting subjects. She loves writing children's books as it gives her the chance to keep learning about new stuff. She lives and works near the coast in South Devon and loves to walk on the beach and swim in the sea after work. Louise won The English Association Margaret Mallett Award for Children's Non-Fiction 2019 for *Rebel Voices: the rise of votes for women*.



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Surprised by Science: Plants are Powerful!

Sabrina Rose Science Girl (Illustrated By Pipi Sposito)

Keynote

Be surprised by the astonishing science of the plant kingdom, with **Sabrina Rose, AKA Science Girl** - the internet's most inspiring curator of facts and observations of our wonderful world

Description

Be surprised by the astonishing science of the plant kingdom, with **Sabrina Rose, AKA Science Girl** - the internet's most inspiring curator of facts and observations of our wonderful world!

Surprised by Science: Plants are Powerful brings an attention-grabbing and accessible set of plant facts to life! Doing what she's famous for online, Sabrina Rose dives into the most surprising corners of the plant world to explore the science at work. From defensive toxins, to alluring scents and colours; from visual tricks to sticky traps - this series is perfect for inquisitive children age 7 and up, and all fans of Science Girl.

Surprised by Science is a series of books that takes the inspiring communication and research skills of Science Girl's hugely popular platform and distills it on the page, with funny and engaging illustrations by Pipi Sposito paired with photos of the real-life science in action.

The series includes: *Electricity is Epic!*; *Plants are Powerful!*; *Forces are Fantastic!*; *Sound is Sensational!*; *Animals are Awesome!*; *Human Bodies are Brilliant!*

Sales Points

- Written by huge X (formerly Twitter) personality Science Girl, real name Sabrina Rose, using the same inspiring presentation of facts, visuals and infectious curiosity she's famous for online
- Combines bright, comic illustrations alongside photos of the science in action, perfect for bringing to life key curriculum elements at Key Stage 2
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Author Biography

Sabrina Rose Science Girl (Author)

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CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	265x210
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Surprised by Science
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Previous Titles

Surprised by Science: Electricity is Epic! 9781526326058
 Surprised by Science: Plants are Powerful! 9781526326034
 Surprised by Science: Forces are Fantastic! 9781526325990
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Surprised by Science: Forces are Fantastic!

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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	220x220
Depth	6mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Children's Planet
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

February 2024

Our Forests
Our Oceans

April 2024

Our Cities
Our Skies

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

Children's Planet: Our Skies

Louise Spilsbury (Illustrated By Khoa Le)

Keynote

An exquisitely illustrated picture book that explores our relationship with the skies, and looks at how climate change is changing the picture

Description

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The skies make life on Earth possible! They give us weather, the air that we breathe, reveal the stars above us and offer a home to birds, butterflies and many other animals. But the skies and our air are under threat from climate change and pollution. Find out how we can all help to look after our precious skies, as well as enjoy them.

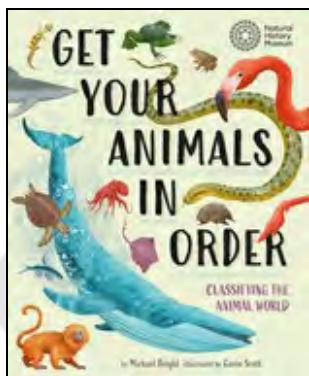
Children's Planet is a beautifully illustrated series of picture books that encourage children to engage with and enjoy our precious natural surroundings. Perfect for children aged 5 and up.

Sales Points

- Sensitively-written text by *Children in Our World* author Louise Spilsbury explains how the beauty of the natural world is there for everyone to experience and enjoy
- Children are placed at the forefront of each book, emphasising their role in helping to protect the planet
- Stunning picture-book illustrations by award-winning Vietnamese artist Khoa Le make these books both beautiful and memorable

Author Biography

Award-winning author Louise Spilsbury, who also writes under the name Louise Kay Stewart, has written over 250 books for young people on a wide range of exciting subjects. She loves writing children's books as it gives her the chance to keep learning about new stuff. She lives and works near the coast in South Devon and loves to walk on the beach and swim in the sea after work. Louise won The English Association Margaret Mallett Award for Children's Non-Fiction 2019 for *Rebel Voices: the rise of votes for women*.



Get Your Animals in Order: Classifying the Animal World

Michael Bright (Illustrated By Gavin Scott)

Keynote

Get your animals in order with this beautiful introduction to animal classification, produced in partnership with the Natural History Museum (NHM)

Description

Animals are so familiar but what makes an animal an animal? Produced in partnership with the Natural History Museum (NHM), this clever and clear explanation of animal classification puts your animals in order and explains why classifying animals is important.

From whales to worms and snakes to stinkbugs, every creature ever discovered has been identified and added to a group within the animal kingdom. Scientists use this classification system to help them research, discover and save species. This children's book showcases the amazingly diverse range of animals found around the world and the different features that help determine their place in the animal kingdom. We see the similarities, differences and connections between animal groups, and discover how classification helps scientists conserve animals and their habitats.

'Odd-one-out' examples tell of peculiar animals that don't quite fit the natural order, such as egg-laying mammals and fish that climb trees.

Includes a zoology timeline of the people and places that have influenced the study of animals

Sales Points

- Supports the science curriculum study of classification and living things
- Includes a zoology timeline explaining the people and places that have influenced the study of animals
- Produced in association with the Natural History Museum in London, one of the world's leading authorities on nature

Author Biography

Michael Bright (Author)

Michael Bright has worked as an executive producer with the BBC's world-renowned Natural History Unit, based in Bristol, and with its Science Unit in London. He is author of over a hundred books on wildlife, science, travel, and conservation, including many for children. His bestseller *Africa: Eye to Eye* with the Unknown accompanied the popular television series presented by Sir David Attenborough. He is the recipient of many international radio and television awards, including the prestigious Prix Italia. He is a graduate of the University of London and a corporate biologist and member of the Royal Society of Biology.

Gavin Scott (Illustrator)

Gavin was fascinated by the natural world from an early age and spent much of his childhood drawing and painting animals and birds. He later studied BA Natural History Illustration at Bournemouth Arts University. Working as an illustrator in-house for a number of years, honing his skills in character design, his style gradually evolved from scientific into children's picture books. When he's not working he loves rock climbing on the Dorset coast and riding and fettling his old Triumph motorbike.

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CBMC	D5N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	295x240
Depth	8mm
Extent	48 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA
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2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
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CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	210x240
Depth	4mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	I Bet I Can
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I Bet I Can: Fly a Plane

Tom Jackson (Illustrated By Pipi Sposito)

Keynote

Explanations of key STEM (engineering) topics in an original, highly entertaining way through comical trial and error scenarios

Description

This series looks at how things work such as how a plane can fly or a boat can float through the comical endeavours of an inventor who tries to replicate what he sees without knowing the science, with hilarious results. We discover what went wrong and why through the scientific explanations that follow each attempt, making tricky concepts accessible and entertaining in equal measure.

Sales Points

- comical approach to tricky topics with highly accessible text
- bright and dynamic artwork with humorous comic strips and further explanation pages
- positive resolutions at the end of each book by understanding the science involved
- Great for getting children interested in engineering topics and professions

Summary of Contents

Look, up in the sky! / Making wings / What went wrong & how does it work? / What shall I make it with? / What went wrong & how does it work? / The need for speed / What went wrong & how does it work? / What goes up ... must come down / What went wrong & how does it work? / Help! I need to stay in control / What went wrong & how does it work? / Wow, I can fly! / More flying machines / How to become a pilot

Author Biography

Tom Jackson (Author)

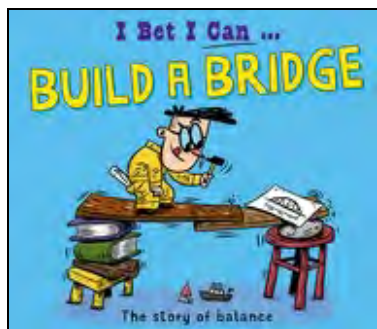
Tom Jackson has written more than 80 books and contributed to hundreds more. His specialties are natural history, technology and all things scientific. Tom spends his days finding fun ways of communicating facts, new and old, to all age groups and reading abilities. Tom lives in Bristol, England, with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

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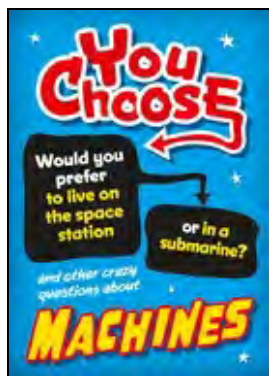
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You Choose: Machines

Sonya Newland

Keynote

An interactive series that weaves together weird and wonderful 'would you rather' questions, with fascinating facts about machines

Description

Would you rather ride in a self-driving car or have a robot chauffeur? Behind each of these silly scenarios are some fun facts to help YOU CHOOSE an answer. *Which would you rather do?*

Full of fascinating facts, this book will keep kids entertained for hours! They can read on their own or have fun asking each other the questions. There are no right or wrong answers but plenty of ideas to think about.

Perfect for readers aged 9+, *You Choose* is an entertaining and humorous series that encourages children to develop their critical thinking and decision-making skills. Full of brainteasers and supported by educational information, readers can learn some bizarre and amazing facts about different machines and how they work.

Read the others titles in the series: Animals, Ancient History, Dinosaurs, Planet Earth, Space.

Sales Points

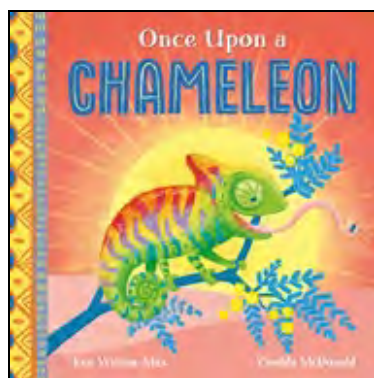
- Question and answer format encourages the reader to develop their critical thinking skills
- Playful drawings and humorous speech bubbles to both entertain and educate
- Great for reading independently or with friends, to compare ideas and answers

Author Biography

Sonya Newland has written and edited many books for children and young people, specialising in science, history and the natural world.

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CBMC	A3M79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Picture Book
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	245x245
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	African Stories
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Not for Sale	Can; USA
Book locale	Africa
Author born in	Zimbabwe
Author living in	London

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Once Upon an Elephant, Once Upon a Zebra, Once Upon a Giraffe, Once Upon a Hippo, Once Upon a Lion, Once Upon a Hyena, Once Upon a Buffalo, Once Upon a Rhino, and Once Upon a Chameleon

Previous Titles

KEN: Eco Girl, Astro Girl, Where's Lenny? Lenny in the Garden, Lenny & Wilbur, Lenny Goes to Nursery School, Lenny has Lunch, Max Paints the House, Baby Ruby Bawled, Max

ZINELDA MCDONALD: Let's Play, We Are One, I Am You, Pumpkin Finds Her Queen, Pumpkin Finds Her Beat

African Stories: Once Upon a Chameleon

Ken Wilson-Max (Illustrated By Zinelda McDonald)

Keynote

Inspired by traditional animal stories from Africa, find out WHY Chameleon changes colour! A vibrant animal adventure perfect for curious little ones.

Description

Inspired by traditional animal stories from Africa, find out WHY Chameleon changes colour!

Once upon a time, Chameleon didn't change colour. She was just another grey lizard in the bush. Until she had a close encounter with some dangerous animals!

A vibrant animal adventure perfect for curious little ones. Written by Ken Wilson-Max and illustrated by the mutli award-winning Zinelda McDonald.

Also available in the African Stories series: *Once Upon an Elephant, Once Upon a Zebra, Once Upon a Giraffe, Once Upon a Hippo, One Upon a Lion, Once Upon a Hyena, Once Upon a Buffalo, Once Upon a Rhino, and Once Upon a Leopard.*

Sales Points

- Inspired by traditional African tales, find out WHY animals came to be the way they are today
- A vibrant animal adventure about why Chameleon changes colour
- Authentic stories told with wit and charm by the award-winning Ken Wilson-Max who was born and raised in Zimbabwe
- Vibrant, commerical artwork by Zinelda McDonald who lives in Wellington, South Africa
- Ten books in this exciting new series - Lion, Giraffe, Hippo, Elephant, Zebra, Leopard, Hyena, Rhino, Buffalo and Chameleon

Author Biography

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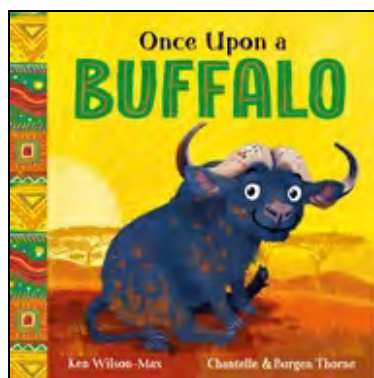
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Ken has over 70 children's books published by over 15 international publishers in many languages worldwide.

Zinelda McDonald (Illustrator)

Zinelda McDonald is an award-winning South African illustrator who lives in Wellington in the Western Cape of South Africa. She has illustrated numerous children's books and is also a well-known designer and illustrator of children's book covers. Awards for her work include the Alba Bouwer Prize and the Exclusive Books IBBY SA Award.





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BIC 2.1	Picture storybooks (YBCS) Animal stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFP) Africa (1H) For National Curriculum Early Years (4KHA) 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	245x245
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	African Stories
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Book locale	Africa
Author born in	Zimbabwe
Author living in	London

Publishing History

Once Upon an Elephant, Once Upon a Zebra, Once Upon a Giraffe, Once Upon a Hippo, Once Upon a Lion, Once Upon a Hyena, Once Upon a Leopard, Once Upon a Rhino, and Once Upon a Chameleon

Previous Titles

KEN: Eco Girl, Astro Girl, Where's Lenny? Lenny in the Garden, Lenny & Wilbur, Lenny Goes to Nursery School, Lenny has Lunch, Max Paints the House, Baby Ruby Bawled, Max

CHANTELLE AND BURGEN: Kantiga, Speedy Monkey, Wanda, Wanda the Brave

African Stories: Once Upon a Buffalo

Ken Wilson-Max (Illustrated By Chantelle and Burgen Thorne)

Keynote

Inspired by traditional animal stories from Africa, find out WHY Buffalo has horns! A vibrant animal adventure perfect for curious little ones.

Description

Inspired by traditional animal stories from Africa, find out WHY Buffalo has horns!

Once upon a time, Buffalo didn't have big, curly horns! He had wild, fuzzy hair. Until the other animals got fed up of him charging at anything and everything and decided to teach him a lesson!

A vibrant animal adventure perfect for curious little ones. Written by Ken Wilson-Max and illustrated by the mutli award-winning Chantelle and Burgen Thorne.

Also available in the African Stories series: *Once Upon an Elephant, Once Upon a Zebra, Once Upon a Giraffe, Once Upon a Hippo, Once Upon a Lion, Once Upon a Hyena, Once Upon a Leopard, Once Upon a Rhino, and Once Upon a Chameleon.*

Sales Points

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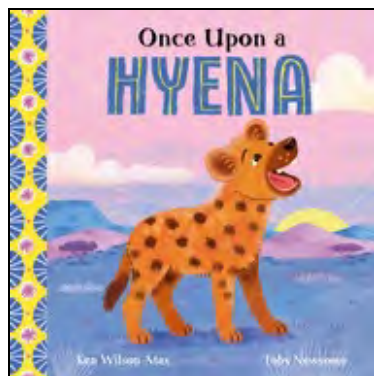
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Chantelle and Burgen Thorne (Illustrators)

Multi-award winning illustration team Chantelle and Burgen Thorne are eclectic bookworms who delight in the magic of stories. In the rolling green hills of their rural home, they spend their days creating children's book art... and sometimes writing a story or two themselves. As career illustrators, they learned to draw really, really fast and have become deft wielders of the digital brush. What they love about working digitally - no eraser mess, no waiting for paint to dry, and the infinite possibilities it offers.

They're at their happiest drawing kids' stories with a bit of humor and a ton of animals. When not at their desks, they can be found being towed around the countryside by their two girly dogs.





Publication date	Thursday, January 16, 2025
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Main Identifier	9781444978162
BIC 2.1	Animal stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFP) For National Curriculum Early Years (4KHA) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC) Africa (1H) Picture storybooks (YBCS)
CBMC	A3M79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Picture Book
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	245x245
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	African Stories
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Book locale	Africa
Author born in	Zimbabwe
Author living in	London

Publishing History

Once Upon an Elephant, Once Upon a Zebra, Once Upon a Lion, Once Upon a Giraffe, Once Upon a Hippo, Once Upon a Leopard, Once Upon a Buffalo, Once Upon a Rhino, and Once Upon a Chameleon.

Previous Titles

KEN: Eco Girl, Astro Girl, Where's Lenny? Lenny in the Garden, Lenny & Wilbur, Lenny Goes to Nursery School, Lenny has Lunch, Max Paints the House, Baby Ruby Bawled, Max

TOBY NEWSOME: Grandma's List, Gloria's Porridge

African Stories: Once Upon a Hyena

Ken Wilson-Max (Illustrated By Toby Newsome)

Keynote

Inspired by traditional animal stories from Africa, find out WHY Hyena laughs! A vibrant animal adventure perfect for curious little ones.

Description

Inspired by traditional animal stories from Africa, find out WHY Hyena laughs.

Once upon a time, Hyena wasn't always full of laughter. Until she came across a row of animal bottoms at the watering hole and couldn't stop laughing!

A vibrant animal adventure perfect for curious little ones. Written by Ken Wilson-Max and illustrated by the award-winning Toby Newsome.

Also available in the African Stories series: *Once Upon an Elephant, Once Upon a Zebra, Once Upon a Giraffe, Once Upon a Hippo, Once Upon an Elephant, Once Upon a Leopard, Once Upon a Buffalo, Once Upon a Rhino, and Once Upon a Chameleon.*

Sales Points

- Inspired by traditional African tales, find out WHY animals came to be the way they are today
- A vibrant animal adventure about how Hyena found his laugh!
- Authentic stories told with wit and charm by the award-winning Ken Wilson-Max who was born and raised in Zimbabwe
- Vibrant, commercial artwork by the award-winning Toby Newsome who lives in Cape Town
- Ten books in this exciting new series - Lion, Giraffe, Hippo, Elephant, Zebra, Leopard, Hyena, Rhino, Buffalo and Chameleon

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Toby Newsome (Illustrator)

Toby Newsome is an award-winning illustrator working in Cape Town, South Africa. He has worked for some of the leading publishers and advertising agencies in South Africa and abroad. Toby was selected to take part in the 2017 Chen Bochui International Children's Literature Award Exhibition in Shanghai. His book, *Grandma's List* written by Portia Dery and published by African Bureau won the 2018 Children's Africana Book Award in the USA.



Publication date	Thursday, January 23, 2025
Price	£9.99/ ₹799
Main Identifier BIC 2.1	9781526326454 Hobbies, quizzes & games (Children's / Teenage) (YNV) Interest age: from c 9 years (5AK) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ)
CBMC	D5N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	181x129
Depth	12mm
Extent	96 pages
Word Count	
Series	You Choose
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA
1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
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Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
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You Choose: Space

Sonya Newland

Keynote

An interactive series that weaves together weird and wonderful 'would you rather' questions, with fascinating facts about how to survive in space

Description

Would you rather race around Saturn's rings or take a tour of Jupiter's moons? Would you rather visit Mars or the Moon? Behind each of these silly scenarios are some fun facts to help YOU CHOOSE an answer. *Which would you rather do?*

Full of fascinating facts, this book will keep kids entertained for hours! They can read on their own or have fun asking each other the questions. There are no right or wrong answers but plenty of ideas to think about.

Perfect for readers aged 9+, *You Choose* is an entertaining and humorous series that encourages children to develop their critical thinking and decision-making skills. Full of brainteasers and supported by educational information, readers can learn some bizarre and amazing facts about space.

Read the others titles in the series: Animals, Ancient History, Dinosaurs, Machines, Planet Earth.

Sales Points

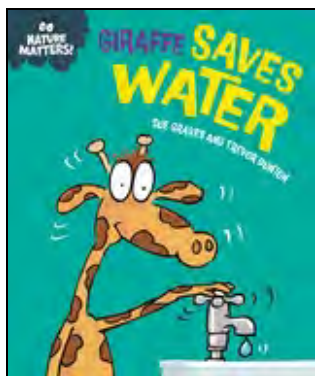
- Question and answer format encourages the reader to develop their critical thinking skills
- Playful drawings and humorous speech bubbles to both entertain and educate
- Great for reading independently or with friends, to compare ideas and answers

Author Biography

Sonya Newland has written and edited many books for children and young people, specialising in science, history and the natural world.

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CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	236x195
Depth	10mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	Full colour
Series	Nature Matters
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Lemur Saves Energy - 9781445186702
 Koala Recycles - 9781445186740
 Little Bear Looks After Nature - 9781445186733
 Croc Says No to Plastic - 9781445186788
 Leopard Doesn't Waste Food - 9781445186771

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
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Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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Nature Matters: Giraffe Saves Water

Sue Graves (Illustrated By Trevor Dunton)

Keynote

Picture book story which offers a gentle introduction to the importance of conserving water for young children, perfect for supporting PSHE learning

Description

***Giraffe Saves Water* offers a gentle introduction to the concept of not wasting water for young children.**

In this humorous story, Giraffe is always wasting water. He likes taking baths and he always leaves the tap running when he brushes his teeth. But when he runs out of water on a hot day, he begins to learn how precious water really is.

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

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

Sales Points

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

Reviews

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

Author Biography

Sue Graves (Author)

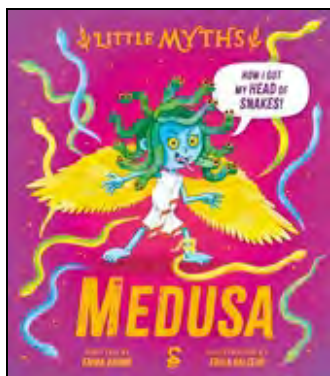
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Publication date	Thursday, January 30, 2025
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Main Identifier	9781444976991
BIC 2.1	Mysteries, the supernatural, monsters & mythological beings (Children's/ Teenage) (YNX) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 6 years (5AG)
CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	220x192
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Little Myths
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

For Emma Adams:
The Great Fire of London
Astronaut for a Day
Zookeeper for a Day
Scientist for a Day
Little Myths: Thor

Little Myths: Medusa

Emma Adams (Illustrated By Erica Salcedo)

Keynote

Discover the untold stories of some of the most adventurous and infamous characters in mythology from around the world in this bold, funny, and beautifully illustrated collectable picture book series.

Description

Most people know **Medusa** as the monster with a **halo of snakes** that sit on her head. But once upon a time, Medusa was just a little girl. Sure, she was the daughter of powerful sea monsters, but in lots of other ways she was just like you. She squabbled with her sisters but all she really wanted was friendship, love and to fit in. But she grew up, people were mean to her and she grew angry, vengeful and dangerous. **This is her story.**

Packed with facts from the Greek mythology and graphic art panels, Little Myths is the perfect series for mythology-mad kids.

Sales Points

- Mythology is a growing and enduring trend, both in publishing and popular culture
- This is a great opportunity to explore mythology from all around the world at the younger end of the market, which so far has not really been done.
- Each book is illustrated by a different artist with unified branding to give the series collectable appeal
- Stories include graphic novel storytelling through occasional comic strips
- Medusa is one of the most well-known mythological figures and resonates with a lot of readers, either as a wicked villain or a sympathetic character.

Author Biography

Emma Adams (Author)

Emma Adams grew up spending lots of her time in her local library, reading Roald Dahl books and imagining she was Matilda. Her love of reading turned into a love of publishing when she went to Loughborough University to study Publishing with English, and when Emma later started working on books for children it felt like the most natural thing in the world. Emma lives in Hackney, London.

Erica Salcedo (Illustrator)

Erica Salcedo is an illustrator, born and raised in Cuenca, Spain. She graduated from Universidad de Castilla-La Mancha with a degree in Fine Arts, before pursuing a Master's degree in graphic design and illustration from Universidad Politécnica de Valencia. Erica has spent the past twelve years drawing and drinking tea, and she hopes to work on many new, exciting projects.

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CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject Type	Non-fiction Ordinary Printed Book Format
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Binding Format	Hardback 220x192
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Little Myths
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Keynote

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Description

Most people know **Thor** for being the super strong **God of Thunder** who could control lightning and rode around on a magical chariot pulled by goats. But once upon a time, Thor was just a little boy. Sure, he was the son of an almighty god, and he was a ferocious warrior, but in lots of other ways he was just like you. He liked midnight feasts, playing games and he had a really annoying friend. But he grew up, he grew stronger, he found a hammer and he had all sorts of adventures. **This is his story.**

Packed with facts from the Norse mythology and graphic art panels, Little Myths is the perfect series for mythology-mad kids.

Sales Points

- Mythology is a growing and enduring trend, both in publishing and popular culture (Thor and Loki are among two of the most popular characters in the Marvel Cinematic Universe).
- This is a great opportunity to explore mythology from all around the world at the younger end of the market, which so far has not really been done.
- Accessible and action-packed text and illustrations; stories include graphic novel storytelling through occasional comic strips
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Sam Caldwell (Illustrator)

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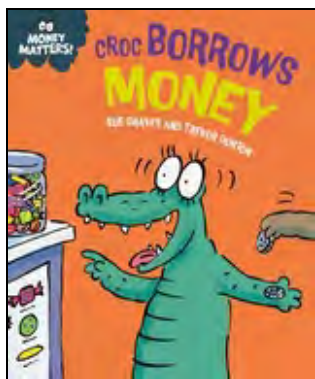
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Money Matters: Croc Borrows Money

Sue Graves (Illustrated By Trevor Dunton)

Keynote

Picture book story which offers a gentle introduction to the concept of borrowing and repaying money for young children

Description

***Croc Borrows Money* offers a gentle introduction to the concept of borrowing and repaying money for young children.**

This funny, charming story is the perfect way to introduce young children to the concept of borrowing money and the responsibility of paying money back. Also included are suggestions for activities and ideas to talk through together to help children understand the concept.

When Croc and Bear go shopping, Croc doesn't have enough money to buy what she wants. She borrows money from Bear, but she doesn't have a plan to pay her friend back when she promised ...

The Money Matters series of picture books provide a gentle means of promoting concepts of money management, boosting self-esteem and reinforcing good behaviour. Supports the Personal, Social and Emotional Development Area of Learning in the Early Years Foundation Stage, and is also suitable for use with children in KS1 and can be used to discuss citizenship and values. Suitable for children under 5.

Sales Points

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

Reviews

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

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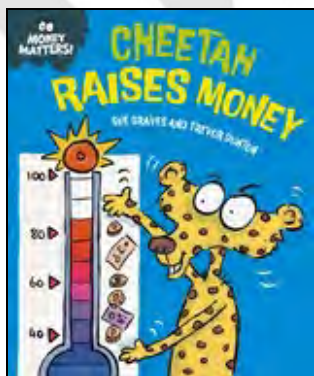
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CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	236x195
Depth	12mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	Full colour
Series	Money Matters
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Elephant Learns to Save - 9781445185569
 Kangaroo Spends Wisely - 9781445186030
 Meerkat Earns Money - 9781445186054
 Panda Finds Out About Money - 9781445186061
 Cheetah Raises Money - 9781445187693

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
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Panda Finds Out About Money - 9781445186061
Croc Borrows Money - 9781445187716

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

Money Matters: Cheetah Raises Money

Sue Graves (Illustrated By Trevor Dunton)

Keynote

Picture book story which offers a gentle introduction to the concept of raising money for charity for young children

Description

***Cheetah Raises Money* offers a gentle introduction to the concept of raising money for charity for young children.**

This funny, charming story is the perfect way to introduce young children to the benefit of raising money to help other people. Also included are suggestions for activities and ideas to talk through together to help children understand the concept.

When a big storm destroys many houses near the swamp, Cheetah and his friends are very worried about the people who live there. Cheetah decides to help by raising money to repair the houses, and everyone wants to get involved!

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Sales Points

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

Reviews

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

Author Biography**Sue Graves (Author)**

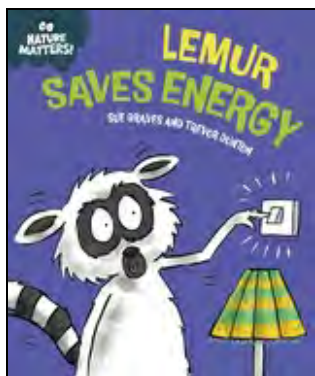
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Trevor Dunton (Illustrator)

Illustrator and musician Trevor Dunton has loved drawing animals since he was in short trousers. OK, he was wearing short trousers yesterday, but it was a warm day and anyway, it's a figure of speech.

A keen tennis player and apiarist, if he isn't hitting the fluff of a ball, he can generally be found in a field in Kent serenading his bees.



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BIC 2.1	Social issues: environment & green issues (Children's / Teenage) (YXZG) Animal stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFP) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 4 years (5AD)
CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	236x195
Depth	8mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	Full colour
Series	Nature Matters
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Giraffe Saves Water - 9781445186504
 Koala Recycles - 9781445186740
 Little Bear Looks After Nature - 9781445186733
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 Leopard Doesn't Waste Food - 9781445186771

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

Nature Matters: Lemur Saves Energy

Sue Graves (Illustrated By Trevor Dunton)

Keynote

Picture book story which offers a gentle introduction to the concept of not wasting energy for young children, perfect for supporting PSHE learning

Description

***Lemur Saves Energy* offers a gentle introduction to the concept of using energy carefully for young children.**

In this humorous story, Lemur is always wasting energy. He forgets to switch off the light, he lets all the hot air out of the front door and all the cold air out of the fridge. But when a big energy bill arrives, Lemur wants to make a change!

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

Sales Points

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

Reviews

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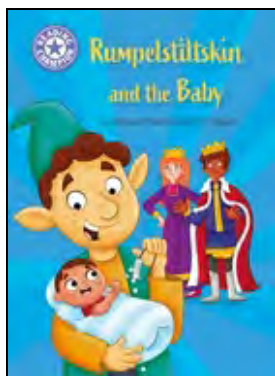
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CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	210x148
Depth	8mm
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Series	Reading Champion
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Reading Champion: Rumpelstiltskin and the baby Independent Reading Purple 8

Damian Harvey (Illustrated By Tom Heard)

Keynote

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Description

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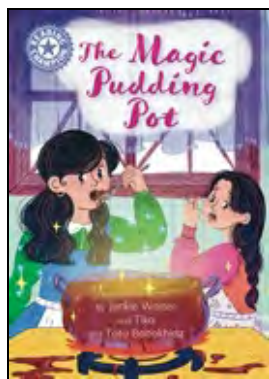
- Developed in consultation with literacy experts Dr Sue Bodman and Glen Franklin of UCL Institute of Education (IOE)
- Original stories appropriate for the age group with precise guidance for use
- Clear text with considered design layout and bright illustrations are coupled with reading activities to support the reader and encourage reading for pleasure
- A section on using this book for independent reading provides tips and suggestions for supporting the child to read independently

Author Biography

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

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CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	210x148
Depth	6mm
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Series	Reading Champion
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Reading Champion: The Magic Pudding Pot Independent reading Purple 8

Jackie Walter (Illustrated By Tika and Tata Bobokhidze)

Keynote

This story is part of *Reading Champion*, a series carefully linked to book bands to encourage independent reading skills, developed with Dr Sue Bodman and Glen Franklin of UCL Institute of Education (IOE)

Description

A fun new version of the traditional tale, The Magic Porridge Pot.

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Sales Points

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- A section on using this book for independent reading provides tips and suggestions for supporting the child to read independently

Author Biography

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

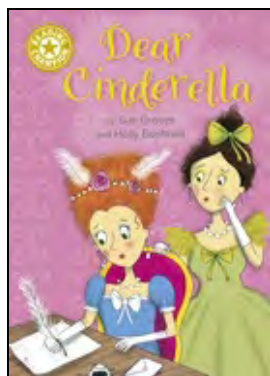
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CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	210x148
Depth	4mm
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Series	Reading Champion
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

The Beast and Beauty,
9781445191027
Felix and the Pied Piper,
9781445191089
Gerda's Journey, 9781445191119
Mole and Thumbelina,
9781445191140
The Nightingale and the Emperor,
9781445191171

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Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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Reading Champion: Dear Cinderella Independent Reading Gold 9

Sue Graves (Illustrated By Holly Bushnell)

Keynote

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Description

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Fantastic, original stories are accompanied by engaging artwork and a reading activity. Each book has been carefully graded so that it can be matched to a child's reading ability, encouraging reading for pleasure. Perfect for 5-7 year olds.

In this twist on the original fairy tale *Cinderella*, the stepsisters write to Cinderella to say sorry for being unkind. Will she forgive them?

Sales Points

- Developed in consultation with literacy experts Dr Sue Bodman and Glen Franklin of UCL Institute of Education (IOE)
- Original stories appropriate for the age group with precise guidance for use
- Clear text with considered design layout and bright illustrations are coupled with reading activities to support the reader and encourage reading for pleasure
- A section on using this book for independent reading provides tips and suggestions for supporting the child to read independently

Author Biography

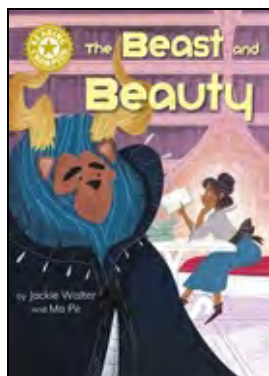
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Holly Bushnell (Illustrator)

Holly is an illustrator and mural artist living near the sea in Liverpool, UK. She has always loved children's books and thinks they can be enjoyed by everyone, not just children. Holly has a masters degree in Illustration but has also worked as a bookshop assistant and barista (a fancy name for someone who makes coffee). Holly is vegetarian and loves animals - her favourite animals include cats, dogs and hedgehogs.



Publication date	Thursday, January 23, 2025
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CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	210x148
Depth	8mm
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Series	Reading Champion
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Previous Titles

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Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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Reading Champion: The Beast and Beauty Independent Reading Gold 9

Jackie Walter (Illustrated By Ma Pe)

Keynote

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Description

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Fantastic, original stories are accompanied by engaging artwork and a reading activity. Each book has been carefully graded so that it can be matched to a child's reading ability, encouraging reading for pleasure. Perfect for 5-7 year olds.

In this twist on the original fairy tale *Beauty and the Beast*, the Beast tells his side of the story.

Sales Points

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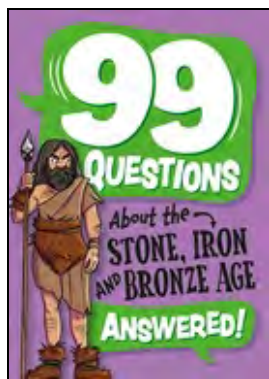
Jackie Walter (Author)

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Ma Pe (Illustrator)

Ma Pe is an Italian cartoonist and illustrator. She started drawing as a child. She tried to devote herself to other things, but the love for drawing was too strong. She loves cats (for now she only has two, but there are always more) and flowers, and both elements are never missing from her illustrations. Although she always wears black, she has an inordinate passion for pink.

She has been working in the world of illustration since 2019.



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CBMC	D5N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	181x129.
Depth	16mm
Extent	96 pages
Word Count	
Series	99 Questions About
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Previous Titles

Sept 2024

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Song Dynasty

99 Questions About: The Stone, Bronze and Iron Ages

Annabel Stones

Keynote

Discover the fascinating world of Stone, Bronze and Iron Age Britain through 99 questions and answers

Description

Discover the fascinating world of Stone, Bronze and Iron Age Britain through 99 questions and answers

When were the Stone, Bronze and Iron Ages? How was Stonehenge built? And just who was Cheddar Man? Find out the answers to all these questions and many, many more in this high-interest romp through the world of ancient Britain!

99 Questions About... makes historical civilisations come alive with interest, humour and occasional *weirdness*. The core information is excellent support for curriculum topics, while the dip-in structure and light amounts of text will entice even reluctant readers who enjoy the light-hearted *Horrible Histories* approach to learning. The high-interest approach is complimented by a striking, two-colour design, featuring simple but eye-catching graphics.

Fun reading for children aged 8 and up.

Books in the series:

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Sales Points

- Fun, accessible introductions to core KS2 history topics
- Light amount of text and dip-in structure are designed to engage young readers
- Each book has been reviewed by an expert in the subject

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CBMC	D5N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in

Binding	Hardback
Format	292x240
Extent	64 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None

Author living in	Wales
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The Magic of Flight

Discover birds, bats, butterflies and more in this incredible book of flying creatures

Nicola Davies (Illustrated By Lorna Scobie)

Keynote

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Description

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Packed with fascinating facts and incredible illustrations to pore over again and again, this stunning large-format hardback is the perfect gift to inspire children to treasure our planet's precious biodiversity.

Sales Points

- An informative and accessible look at flight with sections on everything from wings to feathers, predators to prey and migration to navigation
- A visual feast with vibrant, colourful illustrations by Lorna Scobie
- Nicola Davies is a zoologist and the award-winning author of over 80 books for children

Author Biography

Nicola Davies (Author)

Nicola Davies is an award-winning author whose books for children include *Big Blue Whale*, *Just Ducks!*, *One Tiny Turtle* and *The Promise*, which was declared one of the best picture books of the year by the *New York Times*. She graduated in zoology, studied whales and bats, then worked in the BBC Nature History Unit. She was one of the original presenters of *The Really Wild Show*. Nicola lives in Abergavenny, Monmouthshire, Wales. Visit her website at www.nicola-davies.com

Lorna Scobie (Illustrator)

Lorna Scobie is a London-based illustrator and book designer. Growing up surrounded by nature in the English countryside has heavily influenced her illustrations - her work almost always revolves around the natural world and Animal Kingdom. Lorna illustrates her work by hand, primarily using ink pens, watercolour and coloured pens.

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CBMC	D5N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Non-fiction
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Character	Non-character
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Binding	Hardback
Format	181x129.
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Series	99 Questions About
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99 Questions About: The Ancient Egyptians

Annabel Stones

Keynote

Discover the fascinating world of the ancient Egyptians through 99 questions and answers

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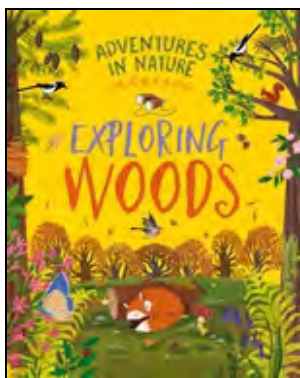
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CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject Type	Non-fiction Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	265x210
Depth	8mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Adventures in Nature
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles
February 2025
Exploring a Park
Exploring a Wood

March 2025
Exploring a Pond
Exploring the Seaside

Adventures in Nature: Exploring Woods

Jen Green (Illustrated By Lia Visirin)

Keynote

Get outside and discover the natural wonders you can find in a wood!

Description

Get outside and discover the natural wonders you can find in a wood!

Whatever trees are found there, woods are wonderful places to spot nature. From shy deer to bright butterflies, this book will show you the best ways to experience the nature that you can find in a wood.

This charmingly illustrated series encourages readers aged 7 and up to explore and experience nature and wildlife for themselves, while learning about core science topics including ecosystems, the changing seasons, life cycles and much more. Along the way, they will learn a host of scientific skills and techniques.

Contents: Into the woods / Mighty trees / Places to live / Changing seasons / High in the trees / In the undergrowth / Among the leaves / On a tree stump / In a clearing / Fruits and seeds / Hidden animals / The wood at night / Nature diary / Glossary / Find out more / Index

Books in the series:

Adventures in Nature: Exploring Parks
Adventures in Nature: Exploring Woods
Adventures in Nature: Exploring the Seaside
Adventures in Nature: Exploring Ponds

Sales Points

- Encourages readers to engage with, enjoy and respect the natural world
- Teaches readers scientific skills, including observing, collecting and recording information
- Includes simple, age-appropriate activities to extend the learning

Summary of Contents

Into the woods / Mighty trees / Places to live / Changing seasons / High in the trees / In the undergrowth / Among the leaves / On a tree stump / In a clearing / Fruits and seeds / Hidden animals / The wood at night / Nature diary / Glossary / Find out more / Index

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Lia Visirin (Illustrator)

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CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject Type	Non-fiction Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding Format	Paperback 265x210
Depth	6mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	STEM Heroes
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

February 2024:
STEM Heroes: Keeping Us Healthy
STEM Heroes: Keeping Us Safe

April 2024
STEM Heroes: Keeping Us Moving
STEM Heroes: Keeping Us Connected

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

STEM Heroes: Keeping Us Moving

Tom Jackson (Illustrated By Rea Zhai)

Keynote

Celebrating STEM skills that keep us moving every day!

Description

Meet and be inspired by the huge variety of STEM heroes keeping us moving every day. From roboticists to mechanical engineers, geologists to seismologists - their STEM skills make a real difference!

STEM Heroes introduces you to essential jobs and diverse STEM skills, highlighting the key details of each role. The series also includes information on what subjects to study if you want to be a STEM hero, too! Perfect for inspiring readers aged 7 and up, and book banded to reading level Book Band 12 Brown.

Books in the series:

Keeping Us Connected

Keeping Us Moving

Keeping Us Healthy

Keeping Us Safe

Sales Points

- Essential jobs are introduced by the heroes themselves as we see them busy at work, highlighting the key details of each role
- Includes information on what subjects to study to become a STEM hero and a fun quiz at the end of each book
- Features insightful illustrations by Beijing-based illustrator Rea Zhai and engaging text from expert science writer, Tom Jackson

Summary of Contents

Moving heroes! / On the road / Car factory / Pedal power / Making a road / Building bridges / Digging tunnels / On the rails / Sports on the move / Mobility lab / At the airport / Space travel / Become a STEM movement hero! / Extra movement fun & facts / Glossary / Further resources and Index

Author Biography

Tom Jackson (Author)

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

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CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject Type	Non-fiction Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	265x210
Depth	10mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	STEM Heroes
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

February 2024:
STEM Heroes: Keeping Us Healthy
STEM Heroes: Keeping Us Safe

April 2024
STEM Heroes: Keeping Us Moving
STEM Heroes: Keeping Us Connected

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

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Keynote

Celebrating STEM skills that help us make connections every day!

Description

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Books in the series:

Keeping Us Connected
Keeping Us Moving
Keeping Us Healthy
Keeping Us Safe

Sales Points

- Essential jobs are introduced by the heroes themselves as we see them busy at work, highlighting the key details of each role
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Summary of Contents

Connection heroes! / The Internet / The World Wide Web / Telecommunications / Smartphones / Instant news / Using codes / Smart tech / City planning / Wildlife, connected / Space connections / Connecting to the brain / Become a STEM connection hero! / Extra connection fun & facts / Glossary / Further resources and Index

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CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	265x210
Depth	10mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Adventures in Nature
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Jan 2025

Exploring a Park
Exploring a Wood

March 2025

Exploring a Pond
Exploring the Seaside

Adventures in Nature: Exploring Parks

Jen Green (Illustrated By Lia Visirin)

Keynote

Get outside and discover the natural wonders you can find in a park!

Description

Get outside and discover the natural wonders you can find in a park!

Big or small, parks are great places to spot nature. From busy squirrels to colourful minibeasts, this book will show you the best ways to experience the nature that you can find in a park.

This charmingly illustrated series encourages readers aged 7 and up to explore and experience nature and wildlife for themselves, while learning about core science topics including ecosystems, the changing seasons, life cycles and much more. Along the way, they will learn a host of scientific skills and techniques.

Contents: In the park / Places to live / Changing seasons / In the grass / In the trees / In a bush / By the water / Under a stone / Flowers / Life cycles / Food chains / Day by day / Nature diary / Glossary / Find out more / Index

Books in the series:

Adventures in Nature: Exploring Parks
Adventures in Nature: Exploring Woods
Adventures in Nature: Exploring the Seaside
Adventures in Nature: Exploring Ponds

Sales Points

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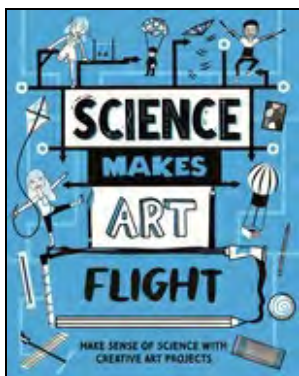


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Main Identifier	9781526326430
BIC 2.1	Science & technology: general interest (Children's / Teenage) (YNT)
	Art: general interest (Children's / Teenage) (YNA)
	For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ)
	Interest age: from c 9 years (5AK)
CBMC	D5N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	265x210
Depth	6mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Science Makes Art
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

9781526326416 Science Makes Art: Colour
 9781526326355 Science Makes Art: Energy
 9781526326379 Science Makes Art: Light
 9781526326331 Science Makes Art: Materials
 9781526326393 Science Makes Art: Movement

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

Science Makes Art: Flight**Hilary Devonshire (Illustrated By Ali Ardington)****Keynote****Understand the science of forces and flight by making art****Description****Understand the science of forces and flight by making art**

Is gravity weighing you down? Find out how to rise above it with this book - it will guide you to work like a scientist: testing ideas, making investigations and doing experiments. But you'll also be an artist, designing different flying models to overcome the air's resistance. Feel the natural forces that act on objects and take to the skies!

Science Makes Art skilfully blends science theory with fun art projects to encourage learning and creativity. It's the perfect series to introduce key science principles and for cross-curricular and topic based learning.

Using materials from around the home, the art projects include:

- Hot air balloon
- Gliders
- Paper aerofoils
- Paper planes
- Flying pterosaur

Contents:

Equipment and materials/ What is Flight?/ Gravity/ Going Up/ Symmetry in Flight/ Forward Thrust/ Backward Force/ Aerofoils and Flight/ Direction in Flight/ Propelled Flight/ Further Ideas/ Glossary/ Index

Ideal for readers age 8+.

Collect the rest of the series: *Colour, Energy, Light, Materials, Movement*.

Sales Points

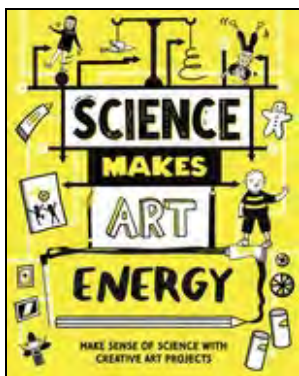
- Bright pantone covers are eye-catching and very collectable, readers will want to own the whole set.
- The series is equally applicable to creative children as well as children with more of a scientific mind.
- Links to the curriculum and expands on what children will have learned in school.
- Art projects can be done with materials from around the home - no need to buy anything specific

Author Biography**Hilary Devonshire (Author)**

Hilary Devonshire has written books for young children on a number of different subjects, ranging from science to arts and crafts.

Ali Ardington (Illustrator)

Ali Ardington is a children's book illustrator, designer and author from Oxfordshire. Her childhood was spent with either her nose in a book, or a pencil in hand creating funny monsters that could gobble up her twin brother. Her love for illustration and reading led her happily into children's publishing and she now works on a wide range of books, from picture books to non-fiction and novelty. As busy as she is, juggling kids, spaniels and life, she still always finds time to doodle the odd monster eating brother, for old times' sake.



Publication date	Thursday, January 09, 2025
Price	£12.99 / ₹1,050
Main Identifier	9781526326355
BIC 2.1	Science & technology: general interest (Children's / Teenage) (YNT)
	Art: general interest (Children's / Teenage) (YNA)
	For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ)
	Interest age: from c 9 years (5AK)
CBMC	D5N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	265x210
Depth	8mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Science Makes Art
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA
1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher
Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
Large print	Refer to Publisher
Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
US	Refer to Publisher

Science Makes Art: Energy

Andrew Charman (Illustrated By Ali Ardington)

Keynote

Understand the science of energy by making art

Description

Understand the science of the world around you by making art

Can you tell the difference between kinetic, stored and chemical energy? This book will help you to work like a scientist: testing ideas, making investigations and doing experiments. But you'll also be an artist, using different kinds of energy to make art, including wind, water, heat and light. Sound good? What are you waiting for?

Science Makes Art skilfully blends science theory with fun art projects to encourage learning and creativity. It's the perfect series to introduce key science principles and for cross-curricular and topic-based learning.

Using materials from around the home, make art projects such as:

- Paint pendulums
- Wind-powered dancer
- Heat mobiles
- Moving sea pictures
- A solar pizza oven

Contents:

Equipment and Materials/ What is Energy?/ Chemical Energy/ Kinetic Energy/ Stored Energy/ Electrical Energy/ Renewable Energy/ Transferring Energy/Heat Energy/ Light Energy/ Sound Energy/ Further Ideas/ Glossary/ Index

Ideal for readers age 8+.

Collect the rest of the series: *Colour, Flight, Light, Materials, Movement*.

Sales Points

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- The series is equally applicable to creative children as well as children with more of a scientific mind.
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Author Biography

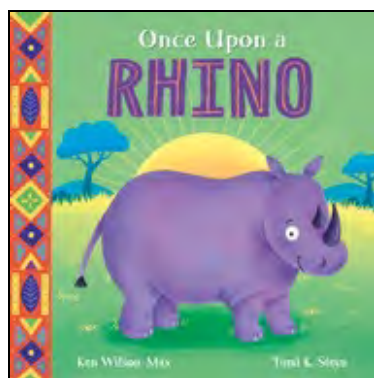
Andrew Charman (Author)

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Publication date	Thursday, January 16, 2025
Price	£7.99/₹599
Main Identifier	9781444978223
BIC 2.1	Animal stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFP) For National Curriculum Early Years (4KHA) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC) Africa (1H) Picture storybooks (YBCS)
CBMC	A3M79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Picture Book
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	245x245
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	African Stories
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Book locale	Africa
Author born in	Zimbabwe
Author living in	London

Publishing History

Once Upon an Elephant, Once Upon a Zebra, Once Upon a Giraffe, Once Upon a Hippo, Once Upon a Lion, Once Upon a Hyena, Once Upon a Buffalo, Once Upon a Rhino, and Once Upon a Chameleon.

Previous Titles

KEN: Eco Girl, Astro Girl, Where's Lenny? Lenny in the Garden, Lenny & Wilbur, Lenny Goes to Nursery School, Lenny has Lunch, Max Paints the House, Baby Ruby Bawled, Max

TUMI: You Are a Wish, The Day the Dragon Came

African Stories: Once Upon a Rhino

Ken Wilson-Max (Illustrated By Tumi K Steyn)

Keynote

Inspired by traditional animal stories from Africa, find out WHY Rhino has a horn! A vibrant animal adventure perfect for curious little ones.

Description

Inspired by traditional animal stories from Africa, find out WHY Rhino has a horn!

Once upon a time, Rhino didn't have a horn until his lies got out of control and his horn grew longer ... and longer... and longer!

A vibrant animal adventure perfect for curious little ones. Written by Ken Wilson-Max and illustrated by up-and-coming Zinelda McDonald.

Also available in the African Stories series: *Once Upon an Elephant, Once Upon a Zebra, Once Upon a Giraffe, Once Upon a Hippo, Once Upon a Hyena, Once Upon a Lion, Once Upon a Buffalo, Once Upon a Leopard, and Once Upon a Chameleon.*

Sales Points

- Inspired by traditional African tales, find out WHY animals came to be the way they are today
- A vibrant animal adventure about how Rhino got his horn!
- Authentic stories told with wit and charm by the award-winning Ken Wilson-Max who was born and raised in Zimbabwe
- Vibrant, commercial artwork by Tumi Steyn who lives in Johannesburg
- Ten books in this exciting new series - Lion, Giraffe, Hippo, Elephant, Zebra, Leopard, Hyena, Rhino, Buffalo and Chameleon

Author Biography

Ken Wilson-Max (Author)

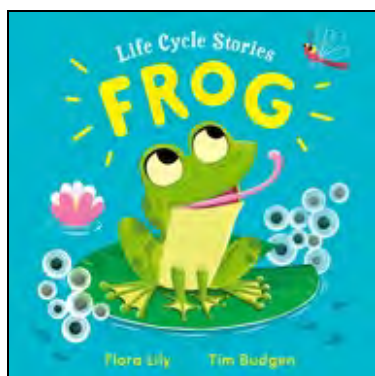
Ken Wilson-Max is an award-winning author, illustrator and publisher of children's books. He was born and raised in Zimbabwe. He trained to be a graphic designer in Zimbabwe before coming to the UK. He now lives in London.

In 2020 his book, *Astro Girl*, won the STEAM award for early years picture books. *Where's Lenny?* was listed in 50 Best Culturally Diverse Children's Books by The Guardian and *Max Paints the House* is listed in 150 Important Children's Books by the African American Literature Book Club.

Ken has over 70 children's books published by over 15 international publishers in many languages worldwide.

Tumi Katrien Steyn (Illustrator)

Tumi K Steyn is a self taught artist who lives in Johannesburg, South Africa. She enjoys reading and collecting picture books; and delights in dreaming up new characters.



Publication date	Thursday, January 02, 2025
Price	£7.99/₹599
Main Identifier	9781526365750
BIC 2.1	Early learning / early learning concepts (YBL) Science & technology: general interest (Children's / Teenage) (YNT) For National Curriculum Early Years (4KHA) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 4 years (5AD)
CBMC	A5M79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Picture Book
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	250x250
Depth	6mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Life Cycle Stories
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Life Cycle Stories: Frog

Flora Lily (Illustrated By Tim Budgen)

Keynote

Get to know the life stages of frogs in this fun and colourful picture book about life cycles.

Description

Meet Frog. Frog likes splashing in the pond, leaping from her lily pad and catching insects on her long, curly, whirly tongue. And she loves to RIBBITTTTT.

But Frog has a secret . . . Before she could do ANY of these things, she was just one of a million teeny, tiny eggs in the furthest corner of the pond. So how did that little egg come to be Frog?

Join Frog on an adorable adventure in the pond, full of facts about the different life stages of frogs - from **egg** to **tadpole** to **froglet** to **frog** - and watch the life cycle begin all over again.

Sales Points

- A fun and funny story to introduce little ones to the early years STEM topic of life cycles.
- Narrative, character-led approach is a more engaging, and accessible approach to the life cycles topic, which has typically been done in quite an educational, straight-forward way.
- We plan to extend the series to include other high-interest and/or cute animals and insects, such as Chick, Bee, Spider, Penguin, Shark, Bunny etc.
- Fun and colourful pictures from Tim Budgen, illustrator of the Magic Pet Shop series

Author Biography

Flora Lily (Author)

Flora Lily loves to be out in nature. She lives in the Midlands with her brood of chickens and her marmalade cat.

Tim Budgen (Illustrator)

Tim Budgen is a freelance illustrator and Art teacher. He's illustrated Pugicorn and the Magic Pet Shop series, the Lizzie and Lucky series by Megan Rix, 20 Dinosaurs at Bedtime by Mark Sperring and many more amazing children's books. For much of his life he has been scribbling down ideas and can usually be found with a pencil in one hand and a sketchbook in the other! He lives by the sea on Hayling Island, England, with his wife Julia.

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Main Identifier	9781444972085
BIC 2.1	Humorous stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFQ) People & places (Children's / Teenage) (YNM) Personal & social issues: sex education & the facts of life (Children's / Teenage) (YXAX) 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	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	304 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Xena Knox

Keynote

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The first rule of Buzz Club: do NOT talk about Buzz Club

When Tavi's boyfriend dumps her, days before her seventeenth birthday, friends Ella and Liss gift her the perfect post-breakup present: a vibrator.

Tavi is mortified, but Ella is inspired. It's time for the girls to take matters into their own hands and start Buzz Club, an exclusive club for discussing everything from porn to the patriarchy.

Soon the girls are finding their own buzz and figuring out their boundaries, but with Tavi still pining after her ex, Ella shutting out her boyfriend, and Liss's secret crush, one heavenly climax is coming - especially when one of the girls breaks the club's number one rule . . .

Sales Points

- Xena Knox is a bold and brutally honest new voice in YA fiction who speaks with unapologetic and authentic humour
- A taboo-breaking novel, opening up important conversations about body autonomy and positive sexual experience in the YA/crossover space
- A regional novel written by a Scottish author and set near Edinburgh
- Conversations are opening up about female pleasure - Gillian Anderson's *WANT*, an anonymous collection of female fantasies (September 2024) shot straight to no. 1 in *The Sunday Times* bestsellers list. *Buzz Club* breaks new ground in bringing these timely discussions to the YA market.

Reviews

- 'Praise for SH!T BAG:

'Funny, direct ... and romantic" - *Guardian*

- 'Praise for SH!T BAG:

THE BEST NEW BOOKS OUT IN JUNE 2023 - *Cosmopolitan*

- 'Praise for SH!T BAG: 'whip-smart" - *Irish Independent*

- 'Praise for SH!T BAG: 'The best YA novel I've read this year" - *Cat Clarke, author of Girlhood*

Author Biography

Xena Knox loves to write gritty, darkly funny, YA fiction. She lives between London and her arable farm in Scotland with her family, and an unruly girl-gang of black devil sheep, Shetland ponies and Thoroughbreds; and a flower field of 5,000 dreamy peonies.

Market

YA



Call the Puffins: Tiny and the Cave Ghost Book 4

Cath Howe (Illustrated By Ella Okstad)

Keynote

Welcome back to the island of Egg, where a group of young puffins are training to join a search and rescue team.

Description

Fourth in a delightful illustrated series about puffins and teamwork for readers aged 5+.

Muffin, Tiny and the rest of the trainees are busy learning the skills they need to become rescue puffins. Life is always busy on the island of Egg, and the friends are delighted to be taking part in a special day of celebrations called Puffin Power, where they can practise all the things they've learned. But when a chick goes missing the young rescuers must put their training into practice, and before long they're deep in the cave network searching for the lost chick. It's dark and spooky - what if the legend of the ghost puffin that haunts these caves is true? Muffin, Tiny and the others need to gather their courage and work as a team to rescue the chick and lead everyone to safety!

This highly illustrated series featuring a cast of adorable puffin characters is perfect for families to share, or for newly confident readers to enjoy reading to themselves.

Sales Points

- Fourth in a delightful illustrated series about puffins and teamwork - perfect for readers aged 5+
- Paw Patrol meets Paddington - with puffins!
- Warm and engaging storytelling with a traditional feel, coupled with positive messages about teamwork and resilience
- Perfect for fans of *Mr Penguin* by Alex T Smith and *Dave Pigeon* by Swapna Haddow
- There's an exciting rescue adventure in each story. This time, the puffins get lost in a spooky cave and have to work together to save the day. Did you know that puffins' beaks glow in the dark?

Author Biography

Cath Howe (Author)

Cath Howe is an author and teacher based in South West London, UK. Her novels for middle-grade readers include *Ella on the Outside*, *How to Be Me* and *My Life on Fire* (The Times Children's Book of the Week). She also regularly runs workshops on writing and performing. **Call the Puffins!** is Cath's first younger fiction series.

Ella Okstad (Illustrator)

Ella Okstad returned to her native Norway after graduating from the Kent Institute of Art and Design. She has worked on lots of different children's books for both Norwegian and British publishers and is particularly well known for illustrating the Squishy McFluff series.

Publication date	Thursday, March 13, 2025
Price	£6.99/ ₹550
Main Identifier BIC 2.1	9781804536407
	Animal stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFP) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF)
CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	128 pages
Word Count	8000 words
Illustrations	B&W illus
Series	Call the Puffins
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Call the Puffins! (1)
Call the Puffins! (2): Tiny's Brave Rescue
Call the Puffins! (3): Muffin and the Shipwreck

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Price	£14.99 / ₹1,199
Main Identifier	9781444000559
BIC 2.1	Romance & relationships stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFM) Fantasy & magical realism (Children's / Teenage) (YFH) Interest age: from c 12 years (5AN)
CBMC	E3N79
Age	12+ years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	198mm x 153mm
Depth	30mm
Extent	272 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
Book locale	N/A

Previous Titles

Young adult titles: The Double Shadow (2011), The Silver Blade (2009), The Red Necklace (2007), I, Coriander (2005)

For younger readers: Magical Children Flip Book, The Boy with the Lightning Feet, Magical Children 3 books in 1, The Boy With the Magic Numbers, The Invisible Boy, The Boy Who Could Fly, The Smallest Girl Ever, The Strongest Girl In The World. Picture books: Fairy Shopping, The Glass Heart, The Fairy Catalogue, The Real Fairy Storybook, A Book of Princesses, Playtime Rhymes.

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Tinder

Sally Gardner (Illustrated By David Roberts)

Keynote

A young soldier, a captive princess, witches, wolves and Death walk hand in hand in COSTA AWARD winner Sally Gardner's exquisitely written new novel inspired by the Hans Christian Andersen fairy tale, THE TINDERBOX. Illustrated by David Roberts.

Description

Otto Hundebiss is tired of war, but when he defies Death he walks a dangerous path. A half beast half man gives him shoes and dice which will lead him deep into a web of dark magic and mystery. He meets the beautiful Safire - pure of heart and spirit, the scheming Mistress Jabber and the terrifying Lady of the Nail. He learns the powers of the tinderbox and the wolves whose master he becomes. But will all the riches in the world bring him the thing he most desires?

Fairy tales are often the cruellest stories of all; in this exquisite novel Sally Gardner writes about great love and great loss.

Sales Points

- Third hardback outing in luxury giftbook format with embellishments.
- Sales of 7,000 copies for the first hardback outing.
- Total Sally Gardner sales exceed 1.5 million copies and Sally's older fiction is now published in 21 territories.
- Sally Gardner is the winner of the NESTLE CHILDREN'S PRIZE, the COSTA BOOK AWARD and the CARNEGIE MEDAL.
- Tinder was the Carnegie Shadowing favourite title in 2015.

Awards

Commended for the 2015 CILIP Carnegie Medal
Commended for the 2015 CILIP Kate Greenaway Children's Book Award

Reviews

- 'Sally Gardner is one of our most successful authors...an extraordinarily beautiful and gripping tale, but what astonishes is Gardner's prose' - *Amanda Craig, THE TIMES*
- 'Gardner just keeps getting stranger and better' - *DAILY TELEGRAPH*
- 'Tinder explores addiction, passion, greed, love & psychological injuries of war. It is another jewel in Gardner's crown' - *THE TIMES*
- 'Gardner follows up her Costa-Carnegie double with an exquisite reworking of The Tinderbox fairytale, as dark and captivating as you would hope' - *THE BOOKSELLER*

Author Biography

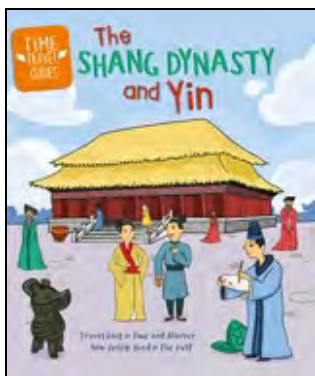
Sally Gardner (Author)

Sally Gardner is an award-winning novelist from London. Her books have been translated into 22 languages and have sold more than one million copies in the UK. Her historical novel for older readers, I, Coriander, won the Smarties Children's Book Prize in 2005. Two thrillers both set at the time of the French Revolution, The Red Necklace and The Silver Blade, which was shortlisted for the Guardian Children's Fiction Prize in 2009, followed. Actor Dominic West (The Wire) has bought the film rights to both titles. Her YA novel, The Double Shadow, was published in 2011 to critical acclaim. Sally Gardner's stories for middle readers include Lucy Willow and the popular Magical Children series of six titles: The Strongest Girl in the World, The Invisible Boy, The Boy with Magic Numbers, The Smallest Girl in the World, The Boy with the Lightning Feet, and The Boy who could Fly, which are also available as audio books. She has also written and illustrated picture books including The Fairy Catalogue, The Glass Heart, The Book of Princesses and Playtime Rhymes. Sally Gardner continues to be an avid spokesperson for dyslexia, working to change the way it is perceived by society. She is dyslexic and argues that it is not a disability, but a gift.

Her website is www.sallygardner.net and you can follow her on Twitter @TheSallyGardner

David Roberts (Illustrator)

David Roberts is a hugely successful illustrator who has illustrated books by Philip Ardagh, Julia Donaldson, Jacqueline Wilson and Chris Priestley. He's also the creator of *Dirty Bertie* and the NEW YORK TIMES bestselling artist of picture books IGGY PECK, ARCHITECT and ROSIE REVERE, ENGINEER. David lives in London.



Publication date	Thursday, January 23, 2025
Price	£8.99 / ₹699
Main Identifier	9781445188799
BIC 2.1	History & the past: general interest (Children's / Teenage) (YNH) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ) 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	226x192
Depth	10mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

The Ancient Egyptians and Thebes:
9781445188850
The Ancient Greeks and Athens:
9781445188751
The Kingdom of Benin and Benin City:
9781445188829
The Maya and Chichén Itzá:
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Roman Britain and Londinium:
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Time Travel Guides: The Shang Dynasty and Yin

Tim Cooke

Keynote

Explore the past and discover life in the ancient Shang city of Yinxu with this time travel guidebook

Description

Travel back in time to the ancient Shang city of Yinxu and find out all about Shang life and culture.

Like modern travel guides, the books in this series highlight must-see features and explain local culture. Each highlighted destination contains an explanation of what took part in these areas, as well as a look at important artefacts found there providing a bigger picture of life in the past. Typical travel guide notes include, 'best time to visit', 'what to eat' and 'where to stay'. Perfect for the KS2 history curriculum.

Sales Points

- Looks at key periods and civilisations from the history curriculum
- Focuses in on specific settlements that are often used within class-based study
- Illustrated maps highlight key areas to visit

Summary of Contents

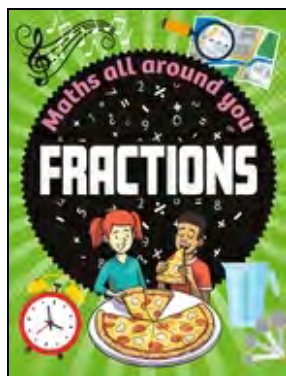
Welcome to Yin / Putting Yin on the map / Meeting the people / Where to stay / Keeping the gods happy / Learn the future / What's for dinner? / Try working with bronze / A musical break / Dress like a local / A royal tomb / Hit the shops / Visit quick / Glossary / Further information / Index

Author Biography

Tim Cooke is a graduate of Oxford University. He has worked in children's publishing for over 20 years, and has written or contributed to dozens of books on a wide range of subjects. Among his publications as writer or editor are numerous sets about military history, particularly the American Revolution, the Civil War, World Wars I and II, and the Vietnam War. He has also written extensively about general history, both ancient and modern.

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CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	250x190
Depth	10mm
Extent	48 pages
Word Count	
Series	Maths All Around You
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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Maths All Around You: Fractions

Rob Colson

Keynote

Improve your understanding of maths by relating simple maths concepts to the world around you

Description

Maths is all around you, it can be seen everywhere in nature and in the human-made world. In ***Fractions***, discover how we use fractions and decimals to, among many other things, share a pizza, play music and tell the time.

Simple artworks illustrate each concept to help visual learners get to grips with mathematical concepts and to encourage children to open their minds to how maths plays an important part of the buildings we live in, the games we play and the ways we live our lives.

This series is designed for readers aged 7 to complement the content of traditional maths textbooks. Readers are also encouraged to have a go at some simple maths exercises, putting into practice what they have learned.

Written in consultation with a specialist former maths publisher.

The six titles in this series are:

Fractions
Measurements
Numbers
Shapes
Statistics
Sums
Sums

Sales Points

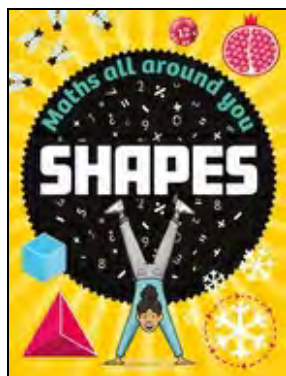
- Simple illustrations help visual learners get to grips with maths concepts
- Consultant Jim Newall is a former specialist maths publisher
- The 'all around you' aspect helps children to see maths as a dynamic topic, rather than a dry and (for some) boring or challenging subject

Author Biography

Rob Colson is an author and editor of a wide range of books for children and adults, including many natural history, maths and science titles. Previous titles as author: Ultimate Cars, Ultimate Machines (Wayland); Super Science (Franklin Watts). Other titles: Bone Collection: Animals (Scholastic), Puzzles, Conundrums and Enigmas (Parragon). Contributing author to Battle (DK).

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CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	250x190
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Series	Maths All Around You
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Improve your understanding of maths by relating simple maths concepts to the world around you

Description

Maths is all around you, it can be seen everywhere in nature and in the human-made world. In *Shapes*, discover how triangles make strong structures, the interesting properties of 2D and 3D shapes and where spirals appear in nature.

Simple artworks illustrate each concept to help visual learners get to grips with mathematical concepts and to encourage children to open their minds to how maths plays an important part of the buildings we live in, the games we play and the ways we live our lives.

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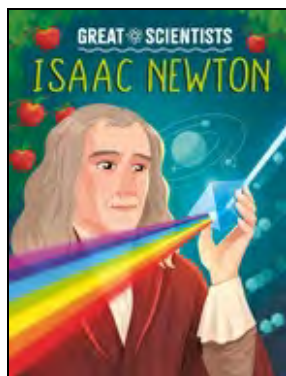
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CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject Type	Non-fiction Ordinary Printed Book Format Non-character Non Tie-in
Character Tie In	
Binding	Hardback
Format	250x190
Depth	10mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Great Scientists
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Sep 2024
Charles Darwin 9781526326461
Galileo Galilei 9781526326485

Nov 2024
David Attenborough 9781526326515
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Great Scientists: Isaac Newton

Anna Baker (Illustrated By Alexandra Badiu)

Keynote

An illustrated biography of Isaac Newton, one of the most famous figures in science

Description

Isaac Newton tells the story of this key scientific figure - covering his origins as the son of a farmer through his work in mechanics, optics and mathematics, his famous gravitational studies, and his enduring legacy today. For children working through book bands, it is suitable for those reading at book band 13: grey.

Great Scientists are first biographies introducing some of the world's great scientists, simply retelling their lives and explaining why their work was important. Perfect for children aged 7 plus. Each book has been book banded and includes a quiz at the end to test what has been learned.

Sales Points

- Simple, straightforward approach that reads like a story
- Endmatter includes a timeline of events and a quiz to test knowledge
- Book banded by a literacy consultant to help children develop their literacy skills

Author Biography

Anna Baker (Author)

Anna Baker has an enduring interest in history, the natural world and many other topics, which has made her work as an editor and writer of children's information books endlessly fascinating.

Alexandra Badiu (Illustrator)

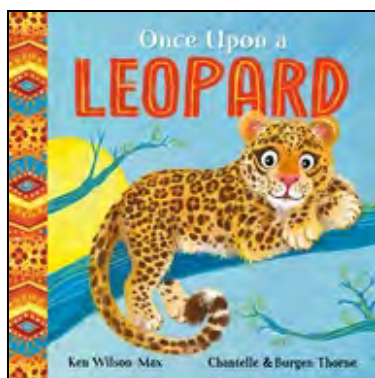
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CBMC	A3M79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Picture Book
Character	Non-character
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Binding	Paperback
Format	245x245
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	African Stories
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Book locale	Africa
Author born in	Zimbabwe
Author living in	London

Publishing History

Once Upon an Elephant, Once Upon a Zebra, Once Upon a Giraffe, Once Upon a Hippo, Once Upon a Hyena, Once Upon a Buffalo, Once Upon a Rhino, and Once Upon a Chameleon

Previous Titles

KEN: Eco Girl, Astro Girl, Where's Lenny? Lenny in the Garden, Lenny & Wilbur, Lenny Goes to Nursery School, Lenny has Lunch, Max Paints the House, Baby Ruby Bawled, Max

CHANTELLE AND BURGEN: Kantiga, Speedy Monkey, Wanda, Wanda the Brave

African Stories: Once Upon a Leopard

Ken Wilson-Max (Illustrated By Chantelle and Burgen Thorne)

Keynote

Inspired by traditional African stories, find out WHY Leopard has spots! A vibrant animal adventure perfect for curious little ones.

Description

Inspired by traditional animal stories from Africa, find out WHY Leopard has spots!

Once upon a time, Leopard didn't have a wonderfully spotty coat. Until he rescued a firebird from the flames and she left her sooty mark on his golden fur.

A vibrant animal adventure perfect for curious little ones. Written by Ken Wilson-Max and illustrated by the multi award-winning Chantelle and Burgen Thorne.

Also available in the African Stories series: *Once Upon an Elephant, Once Upon a Zebra, Once Upon a Lion, Once Upon a Giraffe, Once Upon a Hippo, Once Upon a Hyena, Once Upon a Buffalo, Once Upon a Rhino, and Once Upon a Chameleon.*

Sales Points

- A vibrant animal adventure about how Leopard got his spots!
- Inspired by traditional African tales, find out WHY animals came to be the way they are today
- Authentic stories told with wit and charm by the award-winning Ken Wilson-Max who was born and raised in Zimbabwe
- Vibrant, commercial artwork by the multi-awarding team Chantelle and Burgen Thorne who live in South Africa
- Ten books in this exciting new series - Lion, Giraffe, Hippo, Elephant, Zebra, Leopard, Hyena, Rhino, Buffalo and Chameleon

Author Biography

Ken Wilson-Max (Author)

Ken Wilson-Max is an award-winning author, illustrator and publisher of children's books. He was born and raised in Zimbabwe. He trained to be a graphic designer in Zimbabwe before coming to the UK. He now lives in London.

In 2020 his book, *Astro Girl*, won the STEAM award for early years picture books. *Where's Lenny?* was listed in 50 Best Culturally Diverse Children's Books by The Guardian and *Max Paints the House* is listed in 150 Important Children's Books by the African American Literature Book Club.

Ken has over 70 children's books published by over 15 international publishers in many languages worldwide.

Chantelle and Burgen Thorne (Illustrators)

Multi-award winning illustration team Chantelle and Burgen Thorne are eclectic bookworms who delight in the magic of stories. In the rolling green hills of their rural home, they spend their days creating children's book art... and sometimes writing a story or two themselves. As career illustrators, they learned to draw really, really fast and have become deft wielders of the digital brush. What they love about working digitally - no eraser mess, no waiting for paint to dry, and the infinite possibilities it offers.

They're at their happiest drawing kids' stories with a bit of humor and a ton of animals. When not at their desks, they can be found being towed around the countryside by their two girly dogs.





Publication date	Thursday, January 23, 2025
Price	£9.99/799
Main Identifier	9781445187648
BIC 2.1	Social issues: war & conflict issues (Children's / Teenage) (YXZW) Educational: Citizenship & social education (YQN) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 6 years (5AG)
CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	230x210
Depth	6mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Why in the World
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

9781445187365 Why in the World: Why Do People Fight?
9781445187631 Why in the World: Why is there Pollution?
9781445187679 Why in the World: Why is there Racism?

Why in the World: Why do People Move Home?

Judith Heneghan (Illustrated By Renia Metallinou)

Keynote

The 'Why in the World' series introduces citizenship topics in a sensitive way with heartfelt illustrations, helping to connect children's own experiences to larger issues in the world

Description

The 'Why in the World' series introduces citizenship topics in a sensitive way with heartfelt illustrations, helping to connect children's own experiences to larger issues in the world

Everyone has a home. Other people's homes might look different to our own. Sometimes we need to move to a new home. This book looks at why people move home, whether it's by choice, or because other factors have forced them to leave their home. It looks at ways we can help people to feel welcome in new places.

Full of empathy and emotion, the books in this series are an excellent first look at local and global challenges. The notes included for parents and teachers offer a springboard for healthy discussion at home and in the classroom.

Sales Points

- Includes notes for parents and teachers to enable discussion and understanding
- Relatable approach to world issues, helps children to make connections between their own experiences and those happening on a global scale

Author Biography

Judith Heneghan (Author)

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

Renia Metallinou (Illustrator)

Award-winning illustrator, Renia Metallinou, studied graphic design in the Athenian Design College (AKTO) and a few years later, studied fashion design, after winning a two-year scholarship. Living a few miles from Athens near the sea, she is now a full time illustrator, creating books for publishers in Greece and abroad.

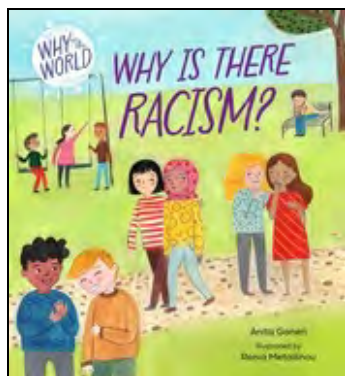
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CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	230x210
Depth	6mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Why in the World
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Previous Titles

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Why in the World: Why is there Racism?

Anita Ganeri (Illustrated By Renia Metallinou)

Keynote

The 'Why in the World' series introduces citizenship topics in a sensitive way with heartfelt illustrations, helping to connect children's own experiences to larger issues in the world

Description

The 'Why in the World' series introduces citizenship topics in a sensitive way with heartfelt illustrations, helping to connect children's own experiences to larger issues in the world

We are all humans. Everyone has the right to be treated equally. So why is there racism? This book explains what racism is, from unkind words in the playground, to racist behaviour around the world. It looks at ways we can all support each other to ensure that everyone feels included.

Full of empathy and emotion, the books in this series are an excellent first look local and global challenges. The notes included for parents and teachers offer a springboard for healthy discussion at home and in the classroom.

Sales Points

- Includes notes for parents and teachers to enable discussion and understanding
- Relatable approach to world issues, helps children to make connections between their own experiences and those happening on a global scale

Author Biography

Anita Ganeri (Author)

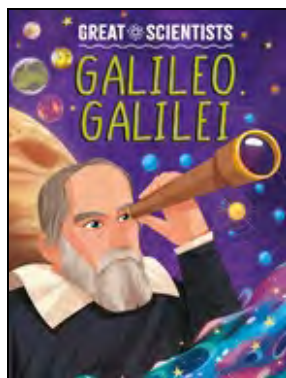
Anita Ganeri is an award-winning author of children's information books. She has been a writer for 20 years, after working in-house for Usborne Publishing and Walker Books. She specialises in the natural world, religion and mythology but is always looking for new challenges. Among her many titles are the best-selling 'Horrible Geography' series for Scholastic Children's Books which won the Blue Peter Book Award for the Best Book with Facts in 2009 and the Tivy Education Medal from the Royal Scottish Geographical Society for an outstanding contribution to geographical education. Anita lives in northern England with her husband, children, dogs and cat. She enjoys reading, walking the Moors, playing tennis and dreaming of winning Wimbledon.

Renia Metallinou (Illustrator)

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CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	250x190
Depth	8mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Great Scientists
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Previous Titles

Sep 2024
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Galileo Galilei 9781526326485

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David Attenborough 9781526326515
Nicolaus Copernicus 9781526326522

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Isaac Newton 9781526326560
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Mary Anning 9781526326591
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**Great Scientists: Galileo Galilei****Anna Baker (Illustrated By Alexandra Badiu)****Keynote**

An illustrated biography of Galileo Galilei, one of the most famous figures in the history of science

Description

Galileo Galilei tells the story of 'the father of science' - covering his origins as the son of a musician through his work in astronomy and optics, his troubles with the Church and his enduring legacy today. For children working through book bands, it is suitable for those reading at book band 13: grey.

Great Scientists are first biographies introducing some of the world's great scientists, simply retelling their lives and explaining why their work was important. Perfect for children aged 7 plus. Each book has been book banded and includes a quiz at the end to test what has been learned.

Sales Points

- Simple, straightforward approach that reads like a story
- Endmatter includes a timeline of events and a quiz to test knowledge
- Book banded by a literacy consultant to help children develop their literacy skills

Author Biography**Anna Baker (Author)**

Anna Baker has an enduring interest in history, the natural world and many other topics, which has made her work as an editor and writer of children's information books endlessly fascinating.

Alexandra Badiu (Illustrator)

Alexandra Badiu is a Romanian children's book illustrator and creative director for animation, currently living in Turkey.



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CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	203x203
Depth	8mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Plant Fun
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Plant Fun: Clever Cacti

Susie Williams (Illustrated By Hannah Tolson)

Keynote

Produced in partnership with the RHS, this fun book for young children tells all about clever cactuses!

Description

Produced in partnership with the RHS, this brightly coloured, fun book for young children tells all about cactuses!

Clever cacti are amazing. They can be different shapes and colours, from green, red or blue to rounded or tall, smooth or furry! They can survive with little water in deserts and dry places. They are home for many different animals. Find out more about these unusual and clever plants, with their sharp spines and thick ridged skin then do the fun step-by-step craft activity at the back of the book.

Illustrated by Hannah Tolson with her bold and colourful style that will catch and keep children's attention!

Helping children to learn about plants and the natural world, the *Plant Fun* series connects children to the natural world. Covers topics such as plant growth, habitats and life cycles, perfect for children aged 5+.

Read the other titles in the series:

Fruitful Flowers, Super Seeds, Tremendous Trees

Sales Points

- Illustrated by Hannah Tolson, with her simple, bold and colourful style that will catch children's attention
- Supports the key stage one science curriculum
- Includes a fun activity at the back of the book

Author Biography

Susie Williams (Author)

Susie Williams is children's non-fiction editor and author. She aims to inspire children to be interested in and curious about the world around them.

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Hannah is a freelance illustrator. She has previously studied at Leeds College of Art and Falmouth University, gaining her degree in Illustration in 2013. She has since worked with a variety of publishers worldwide.

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Format	203x203
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Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Plant Fun
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Not for Sale	Can; USA

Plant Fun: Super Seeds

Susie Williams (Illustrated By Hannah Tolson)

Keynote

Produced in partnership with the RHS, this fun book for young children tells all about super seeds!

Description

Produced in partnership with the RHS, this fun book for young children tells all about super seeds!

Plant life begins with a seed. But how can such a tiny seed turn into something new? This book explains what seeds are, shows how they change and explores some amazing seeds, from the smallest seed that can grow into the tallest tree, to seeds that can float around the world. A fun step-by-step science activity at the back of the book encourages children to get hands on with nature.

Illustrated by Hannah Tolson with her bold and colourful style that will catch and keep children's attention!

Helping children to learn about plants and the natural world, the *Plant Fun* series connects children to the natural world. Covers topics such as plant growth, habitats and life cycles, perfect for children aged 5+.

Read the other titles in the series:

Clever Cacti, Fruitful Flowers, Tremendous Trees

Sales Points

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Extent	336 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Book locale	Lake Tahoe
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Previous Titles

The Family You Make
The Friendship Pact
The Backup Plan
The Sweetheart List
The Bright Spot

1st Serial	Headline Publishing Group
2nd Serial	Headline Publishing Group
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Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
Large print	Headline Publishing Group
Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Refer to Publisher
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Better Than Friends

Jill Shalvis

Keynote

Beloved *New York Times* bestselling author Jill Shalvis returns to her Sunrise Cove series in this truly heartwarming story of second chances, family, and true love.

Description

Old flames reignite in Sunrise Cove in this charming enemies-to-lovers, second-chance, small-town, forced-proximity love story about family, friendships, and true love from New York Times bestselling author Jill Shalvis.

'Jill Shalvis' books are funny, warm, charming and unforgettable' RaeAnne Thayne, *New York Times* bestselling author

'Shalvis hits the perfect blend of sweet and spicy' *Publishers Weekly*

Love can be an adventure . . .

When Olive Porter's adventurous parents go missing, she reluctantly seeks out Noah Turner, the only person she knows that can help... and her ex.

As a special investigative agent for the National Park Service, Noah's used to always being on the move. Or he was until he got injured. Now resting at home, smothered by his loving but nosy family, he needs a good distraction.

And when Olive shows up looking drop dead gorgeous, he has to remind himself that this is the woman who once blew up his entire life and never looked back. But she also just might be his ticket out of town. The question is, will the risk be worth the reward?

PRAISE FOR JILL SHALVIS:

'Perfect, feel-good fiction' **Sarah Morgan**

'Fall in love with Jill Shalvis! She's my go-to read for humor and heart' **Susan Mallery, *New York Times* bestselling author**

'If you haven't read her books before you won't be disappointed, she's a great storyteller' **5-star reader review**

'Shalvis is an absolute go-to author for me. The narratives always run a full equilibrium with the outcome to make anyone's heart melt and shed a few tears along the way, while adoring every character a cheeky side romance to run alongside out main characters' **5-star reader review**

'A genuine page turner' **5-star reader review**

Sales Points

- **FILM RIGHTS SOLD!** Jill Shalvis's THE TROUBLE WITH MISTLETOE, in the Heartbreaker Bay series, was released by Passionflix at Christmas 2017.
- **A GROWING HOUSEHOLD NAME IN WOMEN'S FICTION:** Fans of the humour of **Jill Mansell**, the warmth of **Debbie Macomber**, the romance of **Nora Roberts** and the family dynamics of **Marie Force** will adore Jill Shalvis' books. Read one and **you have to read them all.**
- **IRRESISTIBLE APPEAL:** Jill is a *New York Times* bestseller with an impressive and hugely engaging online profile. She interacts with her **106,000 Facebook fans** and **24,500 Twitter followers** daily, as well as entertaining them on her popular blog.
- **CONSISTENT TOP SELLER AND AWARD WINNER:** Jill's Lucky Harbor series alone has sold over 600,000 ebooks to date. She consistently hits the *New York Times* bestseller lists with every release in her Lucky Harbor and Animal Magnetism series. She is a winner and multiple times finalist for the prestigious RITA awards.
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Author Biography

***New York Times* bestseller Jill Shalvis** is the author of many romance novels



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BIC 2.1	Adult & contemporary romance (FRD) Modern & contemporary fiction (post c 1945) (FA)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	352 pages
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Author living in	New Zealand
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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
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Book People

A brand-new irresistibly bookish, enemies-to-lovers rom-com, perfect for fans of You've Got Mail!

Jackie Ashenden

Keynote

An enemies-to-lovers, bookish contemporary romance about warring bookshop owners in an English village forced to reconcile their differences and work together, from *Publisher's Weekly* bestselling and critically acclaimed author, Jackie Ashenden.

Description

☐☐ **You have to break some rules to write your own story . . .** ☐☐

'*Book People* is a love letter to people who love books [and] a pitch-perfect masterclass in writing enemies-to-lovers romance . . . Jackie Ashenden is a revelation. I want to live in this book!' **HAZEL BECK**

'Full of wit, humour, banter, and scorching tension, *Book People* is one you can't miss. Perfect for fans of *Bridget Jones's Diary* and *Book Lovers*, this cozy small town, rivals-to-lovers romance is as stacked full of evergreen tropes as it is of classic literature references. Ashenden absolutely shines' **DANICA NAVA**

'Filled with witty banter, loveable characters and bookish fun, *Book People* is a novel for the keeper shelf. The romance was swoon worthy - equal parts charming and spicy - and I loved the small mystery element as well. Jackie Ashenden is one of my favourite authors and I'll read anything she writes' **RACHAEL JOHNS**

'Jackie Ashenden's *Book People* has it all, blending the well-loved tropes of a great romance and nods classic literature into a wonderfully cozy and deliciously spicy love story that will have readers absolutely entranced from beginning to happily ever after' **JENNIFER HENNESSY**

- ☐ Rival bookshop owners
- ☐ Enemies-to-lovers
- ☐ Small-town setting
- ☐ Grumpy-sunshine
- ☐ Forced proximity

Don't miss this utterly charming, spicy, enemies-to-lovers rom-com from Jackie Ashenden!

When **Kate**, a fledgling bookseller, decides to open a bookshop that celebrates the kinds of genre fiction she loves to read (popular and fun!), she's surprised to find that not everyone in the town is as excited as she is.

Least excited of all? **Sebastian**, owner of the highbrow bookshop across the road, who has rules for everything: the kind of books he sells, the clothes he wears, and the people he dates (no-one local).

When the pair find themselves working together on the town's literary festival, their growing attraction becomes harder and harder to ignore. Professional rivalry aside, just one steamy kiss can't mean anything, can it?

Early readers can't get enough of *Book People*!

'With its perfect blend of humor, romance, and a touch of spice, *BookPeople* is an utterly charming read for fans of enemies-to-lovers romances and bookish rom-coms . . . Ashenden has crafted a delightful romance that reminds readers of the magic of books and the unpredictability of love, making it a must-read for romantics and book lovers alike'

'This was sweet and kind and a real homage to people's love of literature and bookshops in general'

'*Book People* is for the book readers who want to escape from reality. A love letter from Jackie Ashenden [and] one of my top reads of this month'

Sales Points

- **THE PERFECT BOOKISH ROMANCE:** An utterly charming, spicy, enemies-to-lovers

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rom-com about two rival bookshop owners. With a picturesque setting, a hilarious supporting cast and not one but TWO cosy, bookish bookshops, this is the perfect book for fans of *The Shop Around The Corner*, *You've Got Mail*, and *The Pumpkin Spice Cafe*.

- **A NEW DIRECTION FROM A BESTSELLING ROMANCE AUTHOR:** Jackie Ashenden is a *Publisher's Weekly* bestselling author and this is her first contemporary rom-com, drawing on her experience of writing alpha male heroes and kickass heroines and combining it with all the best tropes: opposites-attract, enemies-to-lovers, forced-proximity and a cosy, picturesque setting.
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Author Biography

Jackie Ashenden has been writing fiction since she was eleven years old. Mild mannered fantasy/SF/pseudo-literary writer by day, obsessive romance writer by night, she used to balance her writing with the more serious job of librarianship until a chance meeting with another romance writer prompted her to throw off the shackles of her day job and devote herself to the true love of her heart - writing romance. She particularly likes to write dark, emotional stories with alpha heroes who've just got the world to their liking only to have it blown wide apart by their kick-ass heroines.

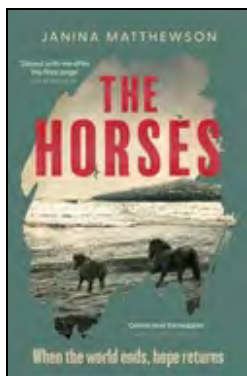
She lives in Auckland, New Zealand, with her husband, the inimitable Dr Jax, two kids, two cats and two rats. When she's not torturing alpha males and their stroppy heroines, she can be found drinking chocolate martinis, reading anything she can lay her hands on, posting random crap on her blog, or being forced to go mountain biking with her husband.

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Author living in	London, UK
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2nd Serial	Headline Publishing Group
Audio	Headline Publishing Group
Dramatisation and documentary	Headline Publishing Group
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The Horses

A poetic and moving story of community and isolation in the wake of a disaster

Janina Matthewson

Keynote

A beautiful story of isolation, self-examination and ultimately, what brings hope of renewal as inhabitants of a remote island deal with a global catastrophe.

Description

'A quiet and tender apocalyptic story' NATALIA THEODORIDOU
'Stayed with me after the final page' FREYA BROMLEY

A moving story of isolation and mankind's connection with nature, perfect for fans of Emily St. John Mandel and Jon McGregor.

Sarah wakes up one morning feeling that something big, something irrevocable has happened.

To the small island community of Black Crag, it seems as though the rest of the world has gone to sleep - aeroplanes no longer criss-cross the sky, the radios have gone silent and the ferry no longer brings their supplies.

When the ferryman Arthur arrives, traumatised and silent, the whispers about what has happened on the mainland quickly turn into heated arguments.

As the chasm dividing the villagers continues to grow, Sarah struggles to find her purpose amidst the chaos. With a harsh winter fast-approaching, will the villagers learn to work together in order to ensure their collective survival? Will Sarah find the answers she's looking for?

Sales Points

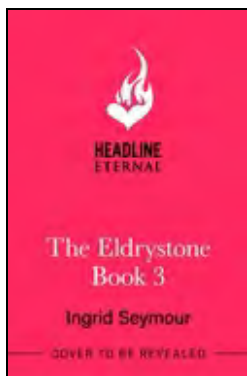
- **INSPIRATION:** Based on the Edwin Muir poem of 1956 titled 'The Horses', written in a time where fears of nuclear annihilation due to the Cold War were very real. Janina Matthewson reimagines this post-apocalyptic world in a powerful narrative which examines the bond between humanity and nature.
- **GENRE:** Sits alongside other literary titles set within a small, tight-knit community with a post-apocalyptic slant, like Emily St. John Mandel's STATION ELEVEN and Jon McGregor's RESERVOIR 13.

Reviews

- *'The Horses is a quiet and tender apocalyptic story, as well as a propulsive mystery, at once gentle and formidable. I spent every minute of reading it in awe of its gifts. And when the horses arrive? A moment of pure magic that brought tears to my eyes.'* - NATALIA THEODORIDOU, author of Sour Cherry
- **'Poetic and brilliant.** Matthewson's writing conjured an atmosphere that **stayed with me after the final page.'** - FREYA BROMLEY, author of My Tidal Year

Author Biography

Janina Matthewson is originally from Christchurch, New Zealand and now lives in London. She trained as an actress and also studied English, history and linguistics. Her first novel, *Of Things Gones Astray*, was published by The Friday Project in 2015. She co-authored (with Jeffrey Craner) her latest novel, *You Feel It Below The Ribs*, which was published by HarperCollins US in November 2021. She also co-writes the cult-hit podcast, *Within the Wires*, with season nine coming soon. She has also written for *Murmurs*, *The Cipher*, and *Passenger List*.



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	Romance (FR)
	Fantasy (FM)

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Extent	464 pages
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Illustrations	N/A
Series	The Eldrystone
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

THE ELDRYSTONE SERIES

House of the Raven
Echoes of the Raven
Flight of the Raven

THE HEALER OF KINGDOMS SERIES

A Prince So Cruel
A Cage So Gilded
A Court So Dark

1st Serial	Headline Publishing Group
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Flight of the Raven

The final epic instalment in the Eldrystone trilogy!

Ingrid Seymour

Keynote

The third book in a new romantasy series from Ingrid Seymour. FLIGHT OF THE RAVEN is a slow-burn, enemies-to-lovers fantasy romance, set in a new magical world, infused with Spanish culture and the millennia-old secrets that shape the realms' magic.

Description

DANGER LURKS. READY YOURSELF.

READERS LOVE THE ELDRYSTONE TRILOGY!

'Seymour weaves a tale that captivates the imagination . . . prepare to be enchanted!'
☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

'If you like adventure, twists, romance, fantasy, and more you are sure to fall in love with this romantasy' ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

Sales Points

- **INGRID SEYMOUR IS A TIKTOK SENSATION!** #APrinceSoCruel has earned 4.5M views on TikTok, following in the footsteps of Carissa Broadbent, Raven Kennedy and Sarah J. Maas.
- **THE ULTIMATE ROMANTASY WORLD:** With everything that readers love in this area, this is the first in a wonderful new series - perfect for fans of tropes such as a strong heroine, a troubled hero, secret identities, bodyguard/princess, and high stakes, slow-burn romance that gets steamier with every book!
- **INNOVATIVE SERIES CAMPAIGN AIMED AT BOOKTOKKERS:** Using our romantasy blogger connections and our #EternalBookStorm initiative, we will engage BookTokers and Bookstagrammers in our ongoing publishing of the Healer of Kingdoms series, as well as this new series, to really grow organic support and build on the series' TikTok and Kindle Unlimited visibility.
- **HEADLINE ETERNAL:** At Eternal, Headline's boutique romance imprint, our mission is to ensure that any romance fan will find their heart's desire within the books on our list. Whether that be heartwarming, laugh-out-loud rom-coms, intoxicating romantasies, page-turning romantic thrillers, or sweeping historicals, Eternal is the home of exceptional romance for every mood.

Author Biography

Ingrid Seymour is a *USA Today* bestselling author of over fifty novels. She writes new adult fiction in a variety of genres, including fantasy romance, urban fantasy, paranormal romance, and sci-fi - all with fierce heroines and irresistible heroes. She used to work as a software engineer at a Fortune 500 company, but now writes full-time and loves every minute of it. She lives in Birmingham with her husband, two kids, and a cat named Ossie.



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Main Identifier	9781035410781
BIC 2.1	Modern & contemporary fiction (post c 1945) (FA) Thriller / suspense (FH) Crime & mystery (FF)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	464 pages
Word Count	
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Not for Sale	ANZ; Can; UK; USA
Book locale	New South Wales, Australia
Author born in	Australia
Author living in	Canberra, Australia
1st Serial	Headline Publishing Group
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The Broken River

the page-turning new mystery from the award-winning author of *Scrublands*

Chris Hammer

Keynote

Ivan and Nell return in a gripping new thriller from award-winning Chris Hammer, author of Sunday Times Crime Book of the Year *Scrublands* and Times Crime Book of the Year *Dead Man's Creek*.

Description

THREE MURDERS. A SECRET WORTH ITS WEIGHT IN GOLD.

A masterclass of unmissable thrills and jaw-dropping twists from Chris Hammer, the international bestselling author of *Scrublands*, *The Times Crime Book of the Year 2023 Dead Man's Creek* and Crime Book of the Month (January 2024) *Cover the Bones*.

A body has been discovered on the riverbanks of The Valley, a remote community in the hills of New South Wales. The gold mine at the heart of The Valley was once the lifeblood of this region, but it has been flooded for decades. Over the years, many have tried and failed to bring it back to life. Now, most believe the mine is barren.

The victim is Wolfgang Burnside, deputy mayor - a champion of change or local schemer, depending on who you ask. He had been working on plans to take the Valley off-grid with hydro-power using the lake surrounding the abandoned mine. Until he was poisoned, his body dumped in the river for all to see.

Detectives Nell Buchanan and Ivan Lucic are dispatched to investigate. The warning is clear - there are secrets lurking in the depths of this Valley, secrets worth more than their weight in gold. What price will this town have to pay to ensure that they never see the light of day?

An epic, atmospheric mystery spanning generations set against a luscious backdrop and the twisting veins of gold that lurk beneath.

Praise for Chris Hammer:

'A masterful, stunning thriller. A twisting mystery epic in scale yet intricate in detail. Irresistible.' Chris Whitaker

'Epic. Shakespearean in depth and range' *The Times*

'Fierce, gripping and spine-chilling.' *Daily Mail*

'My favourite Australian detective is Nell Buchanan.' - Ann Cleeves

'Hammer is a great writer - a leader in Australian noir' Michael Connelly

'Shimmers . . . A tortured tale of blood and loss' Val McDermid

'Stunning - a page-turner which stays long in the memory' *Sunday Times*

Sales Points

- **Fourth book in acclaimed series with a strong female lead detective:** the novel follows on directly from the events of *Times Crime Book of the Month COVER THE BONES*, an exhilarating series featuring Detective Nell Buchanan from bestselling author Chris Hammer.
- **#1 Australian bestseller:** SCRUBLANDS, the first book in the Martin Scarsden series, was a major launch for Allen and Unwin in Australia and became a number 1 fiction bestseller there. SILVER, the second book in the series, also became an instant bestseller. TRUST, the third and final entry, was published to critical acclaim in January 2021. OPAL COUNTRY was published as the first book in the Lucic and Buchanan series in January 2022.
- **AWARDS:** SCRUBLANDS won the CWA John Creasey Dagger for Best Debut Crime Novel 2019; and was shortlisted for Best Debut Fiction at the Indie Book Awards and Best General Fiction at the ABIA Awards. SILVER has been shortlisted for Best General Fiction at the ABIA Awards.
- **TV :** SCRUBLANDS is now a major television series, distributed by Stan Originals in Australia and BBC Four in the UK.

Author Biography

Chris Hammer was a journalist for more than thirty years, dividing his career between covering Australian federal politics and international affairs. For many years he was a



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BIC 2.1	Thriller / suspense (FH) Crime & mystery (FF) Modern & contemporary fiction (post c 1945) (FA)
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The Business Trip a completely addictive psychological thriller to keep you hooked in 2025

Jessie Garcia

Keynote

An addictive and twisty debut psychological thriller about two women who board a plane, causing their lives to coincide in unexpected ways. Unputdownable and completely unpredictable; perfect for fans of Laura Dave, Freida McFadden and Julie Clark.

Description

'Wow . . . non-stop twists and turns' Freida McFadden, internationally bestselling author of *The Housemaid*
'Stunning, accomplished, addictive' B.A. Paris, bestselling author of *Behind Closed Doors*
'First-class thriller writing' Sarah Pearse, bestselling author of *The Sanatorium*
'Wickedly entertaining' Jeneva Rose, bestselling author of *The Perfect Marriage*

TWO STRANGERS. ONE FLIGHT. NO ONE IS WHO THEY SEEM . . .

Two women - strangers - board a plane. Different lives, different purposes for their trip.

Three days later, they text their friends the same exact messages about the same man. They say they've fallen for handsome stranger Trent McCarthy and are running away with him.

And then the texts go cold, the red flags go up, and the woman are declared missing.

Who's telling the truth? Who is this Trent, and what has he done with these women? Or, what have they done with him? . . .

Twist upon twist, where nothing is it as it seems, *The Business Trip* takes you on a descent into the depths of a mastermind manipulator. But who is playing who? Perfect for fans of Freida McFadden and Alice Feeney.

Sales Points

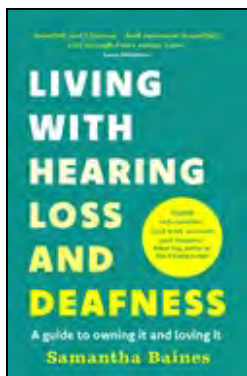
- **A HOT NEW TALENT:** Jessie Garcia is an electric new voice in the psychological thriller suspense genre and her debut has garnered praise from some of the biggest names in crime fiction, including Freida McFadden, Tess Gerritsen, Lisa Gardner, Sarah Pearse and Julie Clark.
- **AN IMMEDIATE AND GRIPPING HOOK:** Two women - strangers - board a plane and then their friends receive the same text message that they've fallen for a man named Trent McCarthy. A page-turning cat-and-mouse suspense where you have no idea who is playing who.
- **A MAJOR CAMPAIGN IN THE US FOR LOCAL AUTHOR:** *The Business Trip* is a huge debut launch for St Martin's Press in the US, supported by the author's local profile as an award-winning sports journalist and current News Director at the CBS affiliate in Milwaukee.

Reviews

- 'Wickedly clever. The twists come fast and furious in this taut thriller that'll spin you up, down and around while ensuring you enjoy the ride' - *Lisa Gardner*
- 'A stunning and accomplished debut, with hugely relatable characters and an addictive storyline that kept me turning the pages well into the night. Bravo!' - *B.A. Paris, New York Times bestselling author*
- 'Wow, *The Business Trip* was non-stop twists and turns. I loved the unusual way the story was told, and I kept reading all day long because I couldn't wait to see how it ended!' - *Freida McFadden, internationally bestselling author*
- 'A stunning, edge-of-your-seat suspense that had me sick with apprehension as the pages turned' - *Tess Gerritsen, Sunday Times bestselling author*

Author Biography

Jessie Garcia is an award-winning sports journalist who has risen the ranks in television news, first as an anchor/reporter, then to newsroom management. She is the News Director at the CBS affiliate in Milwaukee. Her non-fiction books have won Midwest Book Awards, and her documentary *Leaps and Bounds: The Men Who Changed Track and Field* was featured in over a dozen film festivals. She also taught journalism at four universities. A native of Madison, WI, Jessie has two adult sons and resides in Milwaukee with her husband, dog and cat.



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Living With Hearing Loss and Deafness A guide to owning it and loving it

Samantha Baines

Keynote

A warm and down-to-earth exploration of hearing loss and deafness.

Description

'Highly informative, told with warmth and humour' - Adam Kay, author of *This is Going to Hurt***'Heartfelt and hilarious - deaf awareness beautifully told through Sam's unique voice' - Laura Whitmore****'This book is important' - Mark Atkinson, CEO of the Royal National Institute for Deaf People****'Samantha is a strong and powerful woman who talks so openly about her life and about being a part of the deaf community. To have someone who wants to help and wants to make a difference is so important and Sam is that person.' - Gaby Roslin**

This is an all-you-need-to-know book about hearing loss and deafness, including facts, experiences and words of wisdom from experts at the RNID, audiologists, deaf activists and people who use and teach sign language. Having been on her own deaf journey, Samantha Baines has met wonderful, interesting, courageous people of all ages who also happen to be deaf. In this book, alongside the experts, she weaves together their insights and advice and, importantly, teaches those of us who aren't deaf, what it is like for those who are. Along the way, she looks at:

- * The first signs of hearing loss
- * What is tinnitus?
- * What to expect at a hearing test
- * Will I lose my job?
- * Am I disabled?
- * What are hearing aids and why do you need them?
- * Deaf dating
- * Lipreading
- * What is sign language?
- * What not to say to someone with hearing loss
- * And much more...

'This is the book I wish I could have bought when the audiologist told me I needed a hearing aid, and I hope it can help you understand this new world you are stepping into. Welcome to the deaf club.' Samantha Baines

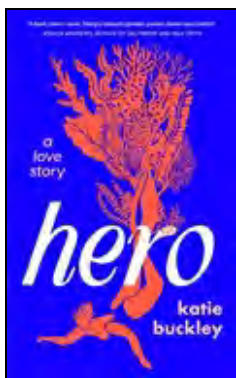
Reviews

- 'Highly informative, told with warmth and humour.' - Adam Kay
- 'Samantha is a strong and powerful woman who talks so openly about her life and about being a part of the deaf community. To have someone who wants to help and wants to make a difference is so important and Sam is that person.' - Gaby Roslin
- 'Heartfelt and hilarious - deaf awareness beautifully told through Sam's unique voice.' - Laura Whitmore
- 'It's great to see Samantha being open about her deaf journey and her mission to improve deaf awareness. Living with hearing loss and deafness proves why we need to improve deaf representation and talk more about deafness in everyday life.' - Signature (charity)

Author Biography

Samantha Baines is an award-winning comedian, actress, broadcaster and author. She is deaf, wears a hearing aid and is proud to be an Ambassador for Royal National Institute for the Deaf. Her deaf activism includes TV and radio appearances, advising on campaigns, speaking to MPs at the House of Commons, raising money for deaf charities and fronting the RNID cinema subtitles campaign. Samantha has written two critically acclaimed children's books with deaf protagonists - *Harriet Versus the Galaxy* and *The Night the Moon Went Out*. She is a regular contributor on BBC radio and has written for publications including the *Guardian*, *Time Out*, *Huffington Post*, *Stylist Magazine* and the *Telegraph*. As an actress she has appeared in *The Crown*, *Call the Midwife* and *Silent Witness*, as well as hosting Magic Mike Live London in the West End.

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Hero

A fierce and captivating literary love story for 2025

Katie Buckley

Keynote

Captivating, fierce, bracingly intelligent, *Hero* is a love story for our times unfolding in the week after a marriage proposal

Description

***Hero* is a love story for our times: a novel that exposes the precious things women give up in order to be loved, and in order to be free.**

'The truest representation of the headiness and power of female longing I've ever read' Kirsty Capes, author of *Girls* and *Careless*
'Thrilling and dynamic' Andrew McMillan, author of *Pity* and *Playtime*

She's a waitress. He's a chef. They used to be best friends, but now, they're in love and living together in a studio apartment. She's also a selkie, Odysseus, and a cowgirl called Quick Fingers. He's a really good man.

When he asks her to marry him, Hero panics. She is lots of things but one thing she doesn't want to be is anybody's wife.

Drawing on a rich history of myth and legend, *Hero* is a story about what it means for women to be supporting characters in a world written by men. How can you be yourself when you are a product of other people's imaginations? How can you love another person and be free?

Sales Points

- For readers who loved *Everything Under*, *Saltwater*, or *How Should a Person Be?* this is a gorgeous, provocative literary debut from a bold new talent set to make waves.
- This is hugely relatable literary fiction focusing on questions so many women ask themselves: what does marriage mean and offer, and is it compatible with being free? What does it mean to be the hero of one's own story, and what does it mean to be the villain?
- *Hero* sold to Simon and Schuster's Scout Press in a major US pre-empt, and was pre-empted in Germany, with more news on foreign sales to come.

Reviews

- 'A thrilling and dynamic debut from a daring new voice' - Andrew McMillan, author of *Pity* and *Playtime*
- 'A lyrical exploration of the love we deserve but rarely receive. Buckley's writing is alchemical, transforming myth into truth and pain into hope' - Amy Twigg, author of *Spoilt Creatures*
- 'This bold, clever novel sharply dissects gender, power, desire and control. Tender and acerbic, *Hero* recognises the sacrifices women must make to be the authors of our own narratives. Buckley unsettles the reader's gaze in her excavation of myth-making, asking how we might construct our own legends from the wreckage of our patriarchal history.' - Jessica Andrews, author of *Saltwater* and *Milk Teeth*

Author Biography

Katie Buckley was born in Fowey, Cornwall, and grew up in Canada and the UK. She studied in Edinburgh, and is a graduate of the Creative Writing MA at Royal Holloway, where she was a Principal's Masters Scholar, and was a 2021/ 2022 London Library Emerging Writer.



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The Harder I Fight The More I Love You: A Memoir Neko Case

Keynote

An unforgettable portrait of an extraordinary life-one forged through a poverty-stricken childhood in 'slummy, one-horse towns'; obsessive desire; bursts of comedy; and indispensable friendships, reflecting on the way art, music, and a deep connection to nature helped her on a singular journey to become a beloved, Grammy-nominated artist.

Description

An unforgettable portrait of an extraordinary life-one forged through a poverty-stricken childhood in 'slummy, one-horse towns'; obsessive desire; bursts of comedy; and indispensable friendships, reflecting on the way art, music, and a deep connection to nature helped her on a singular journey to become a beloved, Grammy-nominated artist.

Neko Case has long been revered as one of music's most influential artists, whose authenticity, lyrical storytelling, and sly wit have endeared her to a legion of critics, musicians, and lifelong fans. In *The Harder I Fight The More I Love You*, Case brings her trademark candour and precision to a memoir that traces her evolution from an invisible girl 'raised by two dogs and a space heater' in rural Washington state to her improbable emergence as an internationally-acclaimed talent.

In luminous, sharp-edged prose, Case shows readers what it's like to be left alone for hours and hours as a child, to take refuge in the woods around her home, and to channel the monotony and loneliness and joy that comes from music, camaraderie, and shared experience into art.

The Harder I Fight The More I Love You is a rebellious meditation on identity and corruption, and a manifesto on how to make space for ourselves in this world, despite the obstacles we face.

Sales Points

- Neko Case is a grammy-award winning musician, who began life in cult band The New Pornographers
- She has a large and incredibly engaged social media presence

Reviews

- 'Reader, I really want to hand this book to you personally and tell you, in one excited rush, how much **it moved me**. *The Harder I Fight, the More I Love You* is **a hell of an origin story**: heartbreaking and funny, brave and weird, hard to swallow and impossible to put down. Neko Case has been my favorite singer-songwriter for many years, hands down, and now she's written **one of my favorite memoirs**.' - Maggie Smith, New York Times bestselling author of *You Could Make This Place Beautiful*
- 'This is a **fierce, funny, moving** memoir that will break your heart and patch it back up. Case's writing is as **piercing and beautiful** as her gorgeous singing, and will carry you away completely.' - New York Times bestselling author Susan Orlean
- '**A vivid, exuberant, heartrending coming-of-age story** that demonstrates the saving power of art. This book captured me the way Case's songs do: with their ache and beauty and promise that the only way through this life is to feel it all.' - Melissa Febos, author of *Girlhood*, winner of the National Book Critics Circle Award in Criticism
- 'I burned through this book in three feverish days, overcome by the spellcasting, storytelling, and pure song of Neko Case's words. **Here is one of the most remarkable people you will ever meet, on the page or otherwise: So honest, kind, funny, and tender-so human-you will fall in love if you haven't already.** A book not so much about the creation of an icon as it is about the lionhearted love Neko Case has for the whole damn world.' - Rachel Yoder, author of *Nightbitch*

Author Biography

Singer, songwriter, music producer, visual artist, and writer **Neko Case** has built a career with her distinctive style and musical versatility. In addition to her numerous critically-acclaimed and Grammy-nominated solo records, Case is a founding member of The New Pornographers and has recorded a collaborative album with k.d. lang and Laura Veirs. She currently authors the popular bi-weekly Substack newsletter 'Entering the Lung' and is writing the music for a high-profile Broadway production.



Diet Starts Monday Ditch the Scales, Reclaim Your Body and Live Life to the Full

Laura Adlington

Keynote

In conversation with experts including doctors, psychologists and nutritionists, Laura reveals just how detrimental diet culture is to health. Packed with personal stories and practical advice, this book will help you find peace with your body - not be at constant war with it.

Description

Diet Starts Monday is a no-BS guide to body acceptance in a looks-obsessed world. Plus-size TV personality and body confidence advocate Laura Adlington has struggled with her weight (and the weight of other people's opinions) her entire life. Here, in conversation with experts including doctors, psychologists and nutritionists, Laura reveals just how detrimental diet culture is to health, and explores where our true worth lies. Packed with personal stories and practical advice, this book will help you find peace with your body - not be at constant war with it.

By undoing negative ingrained beliefs about beauty and value, and focusing on building inner confidence, Diet Starts Monday will empower you to live a fun and full life - whatever your size.

Sales Points

- *Diet Starts Monday* is a no-BS guide to body acceptance in a looks-obsessed world from media personality Laura Adlington.
- Guide to body confidence and ditching diet culture from plus-size media personality Laura Adlington, finalist on *GBBO* 2020.
- Strong socials and a very engaged community – 275k IG; 67k, 957k likes TikTok.
- Her popular Go Love Yourself podcast has hit 1 million downloads and won silver at the National Podcast Awards.
- Includes advice from psychologists and health experts.

Author Biography

Since appearing on *The Great British Bake Off* in 2020, **Laura Adlington** has been sharing her passion for body confidence and self-acceptance on social media and on her popular podcast Go Love Yourself. She regularly shares the highs and lows of being in a bigger body – and has created not just a large following but a supportive community of like-minded women.

Laura is passionate about mental health awareness and has volunteered with the Samaritans over the years where she has given emotional support to people who are going through a difficult time. She continues to support the charity as an ambassador. With her debut book, Laura's aim is to help women find self-acceptance and self-love, whatever their size.

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	Crime & mystery (FF)

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Extent	352 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex UK, Can); Ire
Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA

Book locale	UK
Author born in	UK
Author living in	Eynsham, Oxford - UK

Publishing History

Debut

Previous Titles

Debut

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Clever Little Thing

A taut, powerful and gripping psychological thriller with a twist you'll never forget!

Helena Echlin

Keynote

A taut, powerful mum-noir psychological thriller, which follows a mother who must confront a sudden and terrifying change in her daughter after the abrupt death of their babysitter.

Description

<h3>A MOTHER KNOWS HER CHILD BEST. DOESN'T SHE?</h3>

'CLEAR YOUR CALENDARS for January. You will be doing nothing but devouring this absolutely breathtaking page-turner of a book. Think THE PUSH - on steroids' Reader Review, ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'Goosebumps! Sharp and unflinching . . . this is a perfectly unnerving story with something to say about the collision of motherhood's love and fear' ASHLEY AUDRAIN

'Compelling and creepy, *Clever Little Thing* taps into the heart of maternal fear and will shock you in the best way' ASHLEY ELSTON

'Echlin brilliantly blurs the lines between love, possession, and obsession in this eerie, twisty story of a mother trying to protect her daughter. *Clever Little Thing* had me racing to discover what was madness, what was manipulation, and what might be all too real' TRACY SIERRA

Charlotte's daughter, Stella, is sensitive and brilliant - perhaps even a genius - but after the sudden death of her babysitter, Blanka, the once disruptive and anti-social child has become docile and agreeable. And what's more unsettling is that she has begun to mirror Blanka's personality, from her accent and repetitive phrases to fierce cravings for Armenian meat stew after being raised a vegetarian.

Charlotte is pregnant with her second child, depleted and sick, and convinced that Blanka herself is somehow responsible for Stella's transformation. But how could Blanka still be entwined in their lives?

As Charlotte becomes increasingly obsessed, it's clear her husband believes this is all in her head and soon, Charlotte is convinced she is the only one who can save her daughter.

Told through a singular, chilling voice, *Clever Little Thing* holds light to the blurred lines of diagnosis in children and to the vital power of maternal instinct. Kaleidoscopic and tense, pulse-pounding and genuinely creepy, this is an ode to motherhood and a page-turner that will haunt readers long after its epic finale.

'A cleverly constructed psychological thriller about the lengths that a mother will go to to protect her children . . . incredibly moving, tense, and deliciously creepy, and I know that last chapter will stay with me for a very long time' ASHLEY TATE

'*Clever Little Thing* is unsettling in the best way, a page-turning thriller about a mother's love and endless devotion to her child that is impossible to put down' MARY KUBICA

<h3>Discover for yourself why readers can't get enough of CLEVER LITTLE THING:</h3>

'The best psychological thriller I've read this year!' Reader Review, ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'Clear your calendar because this one is impossible to put down. I devoured it in one sitting' Reader Review, ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'If you enjoy bingeable psychological thrillers, pick this one up . . . it deserves all the praise' Reader Review, ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'*Clever Little Thing* explores the complexity of mother-daughter relationships with a supernatural twist . . . a phenomenal read, one that I didn't want to put down' Reader Review, ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'A must read . . . a book that I will tell everyone about!' Reader Review, ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

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Sales Points

- **ACQUIRED IN A MAJOR PRE-EMPT:** Pam Dorman bought World rights at Frankfurt in 2022 and will be launching it as a lead title for January 2025. It has also sold in four translation markets so far: Czech, French, Italian and Spanish.
- **A COMPULSIVE, CHILLING READ, PERFECT FOR BOOK CLUBS:** Like *The Push*, this book is unputdownable, and goes right to the heart of maternal instinct and whether women are believed. Creepy and heart-racing, this is one that women will want to talk to about.
- **A MOTHER-DAUGHTER STORY WITH A HINT OF THE SUPERNATURAL:** Echlin gives us a story in which we constantly doubt both mother and daughter - as does Charlotte's husband - and the question of whether or not Stella has been possessed elevates this above other novels in this arena.

Reviews

• 'Praise for *Clever Little Thing*:

'Compelling and creepy, *Clever Little Thing* taps into the heart of maternal fear and will shock you in the best way. This one will give you goose bumps" - Ashley Elston, bestselling author of *First Lie Wins*

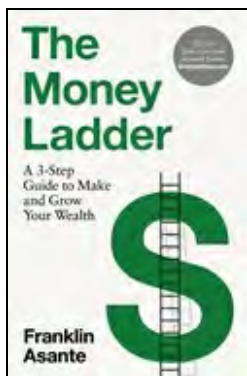
- "Goosebumps! *Clever Little Thing* is a sharp and unflinching twist on mom noir - part psychological thriller, part supernatural horror, this is a perfectly unnerving story with something to say about the collision of motherhood's love and fear, maternal instinct, and the bond between mothers and daughters" - Ashley Audrain, *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *The Push*
- "Echlin brilliantly blurs the lines between love, possession, and obsession in this eerie, twisty story of a mother trying to protect her daughter. *Clever Little Thing* had me racing to discover what was madness, what was manipulation, and what might be all too real" - Tracy Sierra, author of *Nightwatching*
- "Helena Echlin's *Clever Little Thing* is a cleverly constructed psychological thriller about the intense pressures of motherhood and the lengths that a mother will go to to protect her children - I found it incredibly moving, tense, and deliciously creepy, and I know that last chapter will stay with me for a very long time" - Ashley Tate, author of *Twenty-Seven Minutes*

Author Biography

Helena Echlin has written for numerous publications on both sides of the Atlantic, including the *Guardian* and *The Times*. She taught at Stanford University for eight years and has recently returned to the UK, where she now teaches fiction writing for Oxford University's Department of Continuing Education. She lives in Oxfordshire with her husband and two children.

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The Money Ladder

A 3-step guide to make and grow your wealth - from Instagram's @urbanfinancier

Franklin Asante

Keynote

A practical guide to understanding money and building a sustainable financial future.

Description

<h2>'An easy to read, yet incredibly detailed step-by-step guide on how to manage your money in the modern day. Real-life examples with excellent storytelling and actionable steps. This is the best financial guide I've read.' Joe Gomez, Liverpool FC</h2>

Everything you need to know about finance from your own personal banker @urbanfinancier

***The Money Ladder* applies to everyone, whether you're looking for ways to make more money, or you're trying to grow and protect what you've already made.**

Franklin Asante understands money. As a private banker, he has helped many clients to manage their finances and achieve their short- and long-term goals. Now, in *The Money Ladder*, Franklin shares his experience and knowledge through a practical 3-step plan to help you to first of all understand money and then to grow it for the future.

Step one: wealth generation

Step two: wealth accumulation

Step three: wealth preservation

We are born with many human instincts, but managing money is not one of them. Through explaining the basics, Franklin gives you the tools you need in order to make informed financial choices about what to do with your money for the best return on your investments and to achieve lasting results. He also offers advice on saving, investing and borrowing, along with tips on how to prepare your cashflow, fill in a balance sheet and understand what assets are available to you.

This book will help you to achieve your financial goals, by laying out the foundations you need to build the future you want. If you start on the bottom rung and learn the basics of money, you will find it much easier to climb the ladder to future financial freedom.

Sales Points

- **EXPERT AUTHOR:** Learn the basics of how to achieve financial freedom from an industry expert.
- **SOCIAL MEDIA INFLUENCER:** Franklin is known as @urbanfinancier on Instagram where he has 41k followers.
- **ACCESSIBLE CONTENT:** Author is able to communicate ideas with all kinds of people from different backgrounds. From high-net worth clients at Coutts to fans of Youtubers like Chunkz and Alhan, who interviewed Franklin for their 'Bridging the Gap' series.
- **AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR:** Franklin grew up in Harlesden and was awarded the Brent Citizenship Award for services to people of the borough. He was also awarded Mentor of the Year in 2019 at The Social Mobility Awards which celebrates those who provide wisdom, advice and support to those from a less-advantaged background.

Reviews

- 'An easy to read, yet incredibly detailed step-by-step guide on how to manage your money in the modern day. Real-life examples with excellent storytelling and actionable steps. This is the best financial guide I've read.' - Joe Gomez, Liverpool FC
- '*The Money Ladder* is an inspiring book of practical wisdom and financial literacy. I admire the way Franklin uses real life case studies to explain everyday financial terms. I feel like I got a big lesson on how to not just earn money, but to grow and sustain it. Thank you my friend, you're a trailblazer - Michael Dapaah'

Author Biography

Franklin Asante is a Private Banker who has worked with high-net-worth individuals since 2008. He now heads up the Entrepreneurs division of a UK Private Bank, where he's an advisor to business owners across several sectors including Tech, Property and Recruitment.

Franklin is the Vice-Chair of Governors at a London college and a Trustee for two charities

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BIC 2.1	Prose: non-fiction (DN) Finance (KFF) Personal finance (VSB) Finance & accounting (KF)
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Extent	384 pages
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Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	384 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	ANZ
Not for Sale	World (ex ANZ)
Book locale	Australia and UK
Author born in	Brisbane, Australia
Author living in	Melbourne

Previous Titles

The Secrets of Bridgewater Bay/The Keepsake

1st Serial	Headline Publishing
2nd Serial	Headline Publishing
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Dramatisation and documentary	Judith Murdoch
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The Heirloom

An immersive dual time novel of inheritance and secrets

Julie Brooks

Keynote

A stunning, novel of **secrets, inheritance and witchcraft**, spanning two different centuries and countries, from the **author of the THE KEEPSAKE**

Description

A surprise inheritance. A hidden past.

Brisbane, 2024 Barista and budding artist Mia Curtis is shocked to receive a package all the way from England informing her she's the heir to her late grandmother's cottage. Feeling lost in her own life, Mia travels across the world to claim her inheritance, where she begins to unravel the secrets passed down through the generations of women in her family.

Sussex, 1821 Philadelphia Boadle wakes to find her husband, the tailor Jasper Boadle, dead. As the daughter of the local cunning woman, Philadelphia is soon accused of murder by witchcraft. Her future and that of her own daughter is at stake, unless she can convince the village she's done no wrong...

Acclaim for Julie Brooks:

'A sweeping tale of family secrets, betrayal, jealousy, ambition and forbidden romance . . . Fans of *The Thorn Birds* and *Downton Abbey* will love the epic scope of this novel'
ALI MERCER

'I thoroughly enjoyed this immersive story . . . and I can pay it no greater compliment other than to say, *I wish I'd written it*'
KATHRYN HUGHES

Sales Points

- For readers of Lucinda Riley; Kate Morton; Hannah Richell;
- From the author of THE SECRETS OF BRIDGEWATER BAY and THE KEEPSAKE
- If you love an immersive dual time novel like Barbara Erskine, or Amanda Geard, with a dash of travel, THE HEIRLOOM is a must read - perfect for a long weekend

Author Biography

Julie Brooks was born in Brisbane, Australia, but has lived most of her life in Melbourne. She taught English and Drama in secondary schools before working as an editor of children's magazines. She has been a full-time author since 1999 and is the author of several young adult novels as well as children's fiction and non-fiction. *The Secrets of Bridgewater Bay* and *The Keepsake* are her novels writing as Julie Brooks.

To find out more, visit juliebrooksaauthor.com and follow her on Instagram @juliebrooks_books.



Publication date	Thursday, January 16, 2025
Price	£14.99/₹1,199
Main Identifier	9781035410002
BIC 2.1	Modern & contemporary fiction (post c 1945) (FA) Adult & contemporary romance (FRD) Romance (FR)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	432 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Airports; Ire; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA
Author born in	Bristol
Author living in	Bristol

Previous Titles

THE WEDDING OF THE YEAR
(9781472287977 18/01/24)
PROMISE ME (9781472287885; 19/01/23)
SHOULD I TELL YOU?
(9781472248589; 20/01/22)

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An Almost Perfect Summer

The brand new feel-good romantic read from the beloved bestselling author

Jill Mansell

Keynote

The heart-warming new romantic novel from the beloved author of *The Wedding of the Year* and *Promise Me*, Jill Mansell.

Description

Pre-order the heartwarming, brand-new novel from *Sunday Times* bestselling author Jill Mansell

Nick is the most intriguing man Nella has met in a while. He's a 9 in the looks department (*no one* gets a 10), he makes her laugh, *and* he keeps her company when she ends up in A&E. But they live hundreds of miles apart.

Then Nella loses her job. There's a perfect role on offer at a Cotswolds holiday retreat. The catch is that her boss would be Nick. And that makes Nick the one man she can't risk falling in love with.

While Nella struggles with her feelings, a Hollywood star has found a haven at the retreat. Lizzie's sworn off people - especially men - until her friendly new neighbours entice her out of her shell. Maybe she needs a flirtation - with gorgeous Nick, perhaps? Not with taciturn local Matthew, though, who is definitely not a member of her fan club. Then an astonishing secret revealed changes everything . . .

The scene is set for a fabulous new novel full of friendship, warmth and romance.

Praise for Jill Mansell's bestselling novels:

'Jill has a great gift for characterisation - nuanced, interesting, believable people but created with a charming lightness of touch' **Marian Keyes**

'A delicious treat . . . uplifting, joyous' **My Weekly**

'Fabulously satisfying' **Jo Thomas**

'Uplifting, heartwarming and supremely feel-good' **Sophie Kinsella**

'The absolute definition of "reading for pleasure", it will bring hours of happiness' **Veronica Henry**

Sales Points

- **JILL MANSELL HAS A FANTASTIC BESTSELLER TRACK RECORD.** Most recently, *The Wedding of the Year* was a *Sunday Times* hardback bestseller in 2024.
- **AN AMAZING SALES HISTORY. 10.7 million copies sold for Headline!** 14.5 million copies of Jill's novels sold worldwide. 2.6 million Headline ebooks sold.
- **AN AUTHOR BELOVED IN EBOOK.** Jill's novels are regular digital bestsellers, with *Promise Me* going to the Kindle No. 1 position in August 2023. Our repackaging programme is producing many ebook bestsellers across the backlist, with *Open House* going to No. 7 in May 2024.
- **A GLOBALLY SUCCESSFUL AUTHOR.** Jill's books have sold in translation in 31 territories. She is a massive bestseller in the Netherlands, where sales in Dutch are over 3.8 million copies. US sales of over 800k.

Reviews

- 'Praise for Jill Mansell: "What a gorgeous book! Jill has a great gift for characterisation - nuanced, interesting, believable people but created with a charming lightness of touch. Thanks to Jill's warmth, wisdom and emotional intelligence, this book was a huge pleasure to read"' - **Marian Keyes**
- 'What a sparkling, joyful read! Jill is the absolute Queen of creating characters you immediately want to be best friends with!' - **Phillipa Ashley**
- 'I love this book so much . . . like a wonderful, warm writing hug' - **Joanna Cannon**

Author Biography

'The queen of witty, heart-warming, feel-good love stories' *Red*; 'One of my favourite writers' Katie Fforde

Jill Mansell started writing fiction while working in the NHS, after she read a magazine article that inspired her to join a local creative writing class. Since then she has written over twenty-five *Sunday Times* bestsellers. Her acclaimed novels include *The Wedding of the Year*, *Promise Me*, *Should I Tell You?*, *And Now You're Back*, *It Started with a Secret* and *You and Me, Always*. Jill's books have sold over 14.5 million copies worldwide.

Jill lives in Bristol and for many years worked in the field of clinical neurophysiology. You'd think inventing characters and stories would be easier, but she can assure you it



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Author born in	Berkshire
Author living in	Southampton
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Publishing History

She writes romantic comedies and was longlisted for the 2021 and 2022 Comedy Women in Print (CWIP) Unpublished Novel Prize. Grace of the Empire State is her first historical novel.

Previous Titles

This is her debut novel.

Grace of the Empire State

A breathtaking historical novel of courage, love and sacrifice high above Manhattan

Gemma Tizzard

Keynote

An electrifying debut novel set in Manhattan of a remarkable woman ahead of her time. Inspired by the courage and sacrifice of the workers who built the Empire State Building.

Description

A daring young woman takes her brother's place to risk her life in New York City. A breathtaking historical novel full of heart and hope, family and friendship, and the sacrifices we make for love...

'A page-turning debut...that reminds us that women have been quietly saving the day since the dawn of time' *New York Times* bestselling author Kristin Harmel

'A wonderful story of courage, sacrifice, resilience and love. Heart-warming, romantic and at times utterly nerve-wracking, I loved every minute of it!' Anita Frank

As the Great Depression bites, show dancer Grace's Irish immigrant family can't afford the rising rents, nor the medicine that her little sister urgently needs. When her twin brother is injured and can no longer work on the construction of the half-built Empire State Building, Grace steps up - literally. She trades her dancing shoes for worker boots, braving deadly metal work hundreds of feet in the sky.

But survival isn't guaranteed. Failure could mean not only losing her job, but also her life, and the livelihood of her family and team. Sparks fly across the great metal beams, as a terrible accident and a split-second decision leaves Grace re-evaluating everything that she thought she knew about herself...

'A thrilling, heartbreaking story about the power of family, friendship and women struggling to survive in a man's world. A must-read for historical fiction fans' Annie Lyons

'A gorgeous, evocative story. Grace is a bold, brave heroine and her adventures on the steels are so vividly described that they made me feel dizzy! I loved the 1930s New York setting, the brilliantly drawn cast of characters and their gritty resilience, and the romance' Kerry Barrett

Readers are spellbound by Gemma Tizzard's electrifying debut novel:

'Breathtakingly beautiful 1930s novel about a young woman and her quest to help her brother and survive' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'READ IT! Hold your breath! Hang on! and CHEER!' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'Great story of strength, resilience and faith of a family' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'Loved the characters, loved the book. ' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

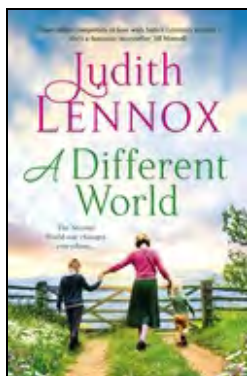
'Exhilarating and intense' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

Sales Points

- **Six-figure deal for North American rights:** GRACE OF THE EMPIRE STATE will be Gallery Books (S&S) Lead Hardback Launch for Jan 2025; German rights to Fischer Verlag at auction.
- **First book in the America series:** The second novel, coming in 2026, will be about three women caught up in the real-life Cocoanut Grove nightclub fire in Boston in 1942.
- **Hidden figures angle:** Gemma writes about the women who lived through periods of great social change in America, whose empowering and uplifting stories of strength, smarts, courage and survival have never been told.
- **Perfect for fans of Natasha Lester and Gill Paul**

Author Biography

Gemma Tizzard has a degree in American Studies, with a particular interest in twentieth century American history and untold women's stories. From Berkshire, she now lives in Southampton, where she works as a marketing manager. She also writes romantic comedies and was longlisted for the 2021 and 2022 Comedy Women in Print (CWIP) Unpublished Novel Prize. Grace of the Empire State is her first historical novel.



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Binding	Hardback
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Exclusively for Sale	Can; Cw; EU; Ire; UK
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Book locale	London, Devon and Suffolk
Author living in	Cambridgeshire

Previous Titles

9780755344871 Catching the Tide
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A Different World

A breathtaking novel exploring the highs and lows of family life during the Second World War and beyond

Judith Lennox

Keynote

Judith Lennox will enthrall her readers with this mesmerising story of one woman's tumultuous journey through the twentieth century, navigating the joys and challenges of marriage and motherhood in an ever-changing world.

Description

A mesmerising novel exploring the joys and challenges of family life throughout the twentieth century, A DIFFERENT WORLD is the latest bestselling novel from Judith Lennox. Not to be missed by readers of Lucinda Riley and Rachel Hore.

In the summer of 1939, nineteen-year-old Olivia Goodland arrives in London. Working for a society dressmaker, she meets wealthy, beautiful Grace Ruthwell. Beguiled by the glamour of Grace's world, it's only slowly and too late that she becomes aware of the darkness that lies beneath the glittering exterior.

When the Second World War erupts, Olivia joins the Land Army. At a party in Wiltshire, she meets the handsome poet George Flynn, whose charms prove impossible to resist. Over the ensuing years, Olivia's life is absorbed by the upbringing of her three sons, and by her relationship with a man whose passions go beyond poetry. But as the twentieth century continues to unfold, Olivia makes a shocking discovery, and starts to question where her true happiness lies . . .

Praise for Judith Lennox:

'I have fallen completely in love with Judith Lennox's writing - she's a fantastic storyteller!' **Jill Mansell**

'A fast-moving, complex story' ***The Times***

'Judith Lennox's writing is so keenly honest it could sever heartstrings' ***Daily Mail***

Sales Points

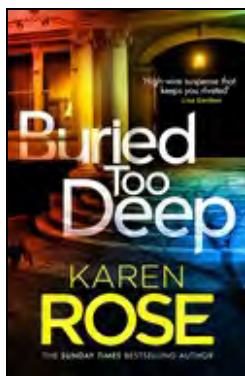
- Judith Lennox's absorbing, irresistible novels are full of passion and drama, with wonderfully evoked backdrops, utterly real characters and real emotional depth. This epic novel, charting the tumultuous journey through the twentieth century of one woman's search for happiness, is utterly unforgettable.
- The Second World War changes everything for the unforgettable characters in this mesmerising novel. The drama, intrigue and romance of this breathtaking story will appeal to fans of Lucinda Riley, Rachel Hore and Kate Morton.

Reviews

- 'Judith Lennox's writing is so keenly honest it could sever heartstrings' - *Daily Mail*
- 'I have fallen completely in love with Judith Lennox's writing - she's a fantastic storyteller!' - Jill Mansell
- 'A fast-moving, complex story' - *The Times*
- 'Completely unputdownable . . . a lovely, entrancing book' - *New Books magazine*

Author Biography

Judith Lennox grew up in rural Hampshire and studied at the University of Lancaster, where she met her husband Iain; they have three sons, three grandsons and a granddaughter. Judith lives with her husband in Cambridge.



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Format	B Format
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Series	The New Orleans Series
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
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Buried Too Deep

dark secrets come to light in this gripping new thriller

Karen Rose

Keynote

The third gripping novel in a brand new series from *Sunday Times* bestseller Karen Rose, set in New Orleans.

Description

'Intense, complex and unforgettable' **James Patterson**

*** The explosive new thriller in the New Orleans series, from *Sunday Times* bestselling author Karen Rose. ***

Cora-Jane Winslow's father walked out on her family 23 years ago; his letters to her over the years the only connection she has had to him. When his body is discovered in an abandoned building, she is shocked to discover he has been dead all this time. What happened to him and who would cover up his murder by writing the letters?

After his post-traumatic stress disorder forced him to run away from his life, Phin Bishop returns to the Burke Broussard Private Detective Agency, only to stumble upon an armed break-in. Cora-Jane is seen running from the building and his colleague Joy has been shot.

When it appears the shooting is related to Cora-Jane's father, the Agency step in to offer protection while they hunt for the perpetrator. Someone knows what really happened to Cora Jane's father and will stop at nothing to prevent their long-buried secrets being discovered . . .

'Fast and furious' ***Sun***

'High-wire suspense that keeps you riveted' **Lisa Gardner**

Sales Points

- Karen Rose is the author of **over 25 novels**, which have been translated **into 15 languages**.
- Karen has sold **over 5 million books in the UK** and **more than 11 million copies worldwide**.
- She is a **multiple *Sunday Times* and *New York Times* bestseller**, as well as a No. 1 bestselling author in Germany and South Africa. She has also appeared in the Top Ten bestseller lists in France, Australia and New Zealand.

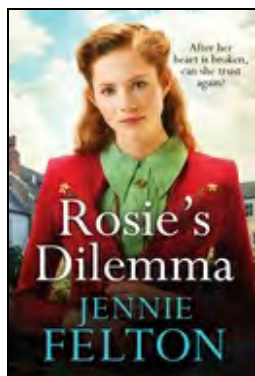
Author Biography

Karen Rose was introduced to suspense and horror at the tender age of eight when she accidentally read Poe's *The Pit* and *The Pendulum* and was afraid to go to sleep for years. She now enjoys writing books that make other people afraid to go to sleep.

Karen lives in Florida with her family, their cat, Bella, and two dogs, Loki and Freya. When she's not writing, she enjoys reading, and her new hobby - knitting.

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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	512 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can

Book locale	Somerset, England
Author born in	England
Author living in	Bristol, England

Previous Titles

THE COAL MINER'S WIFE (9781472296733); A MOTHER'S SACRIFICE (9781472256485); ALL THE DARK SECRETS (9781472209849); THE MINER'S DAUGHTER (9781472210081)

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2nd Serial	Headline Publishing Group
Audio	Headline Publishing Group
Dramatisation and documentary	A. M. Heath
Electronic	Headline Publishing Group
Film and TV	A. M. Heath
Large print	Headline Publishing Group
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Translation	A. M. Heath
Undramatised (straight) reading	Headline Publishing Group
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Rosie's Dilemma

A heart-rending tale of wartime love and secrets

Jennie Felton

Keynote

A heart-rending new novel about a woman who returns to her hometown as WW2 breaks out, and must contend with her heartbreak and fate.

Description

Discover the emotional and unforgettable brand-new novel from Jennie Felton.

When war is declared in September 1939, Rosie Mitchell reluctantly returns from London to the Somerset mining town of Hillsbridge to be with her widowed mother. She had fled to the city some years earlier to escape the heartache and shame of a disastrous end to her relationship with the man she has always loved, and still does. Now she will once more be brought face to face with him, and with her rival and childhood friend, Anne Hastings.

Back in her hometown, there is no avoiding the attentions of Julian Edgell, the charming doctor who had broken her heart. But another man too comes into her life. A man she finds very attractive, but who will disclose nothing about himself. Can she trust either of them? Or will her heart be broken all over again?

Rosie's dilemma unfolds against the backdrop of war with all its hardship, danger, heroism and sacrifice. as well as the anxiety for loved ones which no-one, be they ordinary working folk or local aristocracy, can escape.

Don't miss this heartrending page-turner from the author of *The Coal Miner's Wife* and *The Families of Fairley Terrace Series*.

Sales Points

- **PERFECT FOR FANS OF DILLY COURT AND ROSIE GOODWIN:** Jennie, who has been hailed by *Lancashire Post* as 'one of the nation's favourite saga writers', consistently delivering heart-warming and heart-wrenching sagas each year.
- **EXCELLENT ENDORSEMENTS:** Jennie is a favourite with her local press, with reviews each year from the *Lancashire Post*, the *Peterborough Telegraph* and more.

Author Biography

Jennie Felton grew up in Somerset, where she lives today. She has written numerous short stories for magazines as well as a number of novels under a pseudonym. *All The Dark Secrets* is the first in her new series, **The Families of Fairley Terrace Sagas**, about the lives and loves of the residents of a Somerset village beginning in the late nineteenth century.

Vist Jennie on Facebook

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Price	£9.99/₹799
Main Identifier	9781472278173
BIC 2.1	Historical fiction (FV) England (1DBKE) Modern & contemporary fiction (post c 1945) (FA)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	544 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); EU; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Book locale	Tudor England
Author born in	England
Author living in	Surrey

Previous Titles

KATHERINE OF ARAGON: THE TRUE QUEEN
ANNE BOLEYN: A KING'S OBSESSION
JANE SEYMOUR: THE HAUNTED QUEEN
ANNA OF KLEVE: QUEEN OF SECRETS
KATHERYN HOWARD: THE TAINTED QUEEN
KATHARINE PARR: THE SIXTH WIFE
IN THE SHADOW OF QUEENS
ELIZABETH OF YORK: THE LAST WHITE ROSE
HENRY VIII: THE HEART AND THE CROWN

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Mary I: Queen of Sorrows

Alison Weir

Keynote

Sunday Times bestselling novelist Alison Weir returns with the spellbinding story of Mary I, the princess who became Bloody Mary.

Description

'A must for Tudor fans everywhere' **Tracy Borman**

'Thrilling, captivating... unforgettable' **Kate Williams**

Sunday Times bestselling novelist Alison Weir returns with the spellbinding story of Mary I.

A DESTINY REWRITTEN. A ROYAL HEART DIVIDED.

Adored only child of Henry VIII and his Queen, Katherine of Aragon, Princess Mary is raised in the golden splendour of her father's court. But the King wants a son and heir.

With her parents' marriage, and England, in crisis, Mary's perfect world begins to fall apart. Exiled from the court and her beloved mother, she seeks solace in her faith, praying for her father to bring her home. But when the King does promise to restore her to favour, his love comes with a condition.

The choice Mary faces will haunt her for years to come - in her allegiances, her marriage and her own fight for the crown. Can she become the queen she was born to be?

MARY I. HER STORY.

Alison Weir's new Tudor novel is the tale, full of drama and tragedy, of how a princess with such promise, loved by all who knew her, became the infamous Bloody Mary.

PRAISE FOR ALISON WEIR'S TUDOR FICTION

'Alison Weir gives us her most compelling heroine yet... This is where the story of the Tudors begins' **Tracy Borman**

'History has the best stories and they should all be told like this' **Conn Iggulden**

'As always, Alison Weir is ahead of the curve - and at the top of her game' **Sarah Gristwood**

'Weir is excellent on the little details that bring a world to life' **Guardian**

'Profoundly moving... lingers long after the last page' **Elizabeth Fremantle**

Sales Points

- **BESTSELLERS:** *Henry VIII: The Heart and the Crown* **debuted on the Sunday Times hardback bestseller list at No. 10**, and all six Six Tudor Queens novels were Sunday Times hardback bestsellers.
- **THE TUDORS:** The Tudor Rose series span **three generations of history's most iconic family**. This third instalment tells the story of Mary, daughter of Henry VIII and Katherine of Aragon - the woman who realised her destiny as the first queen to rule England in her own right.
- **LIVE APPEARANCES:** Extensive year-round author events programme all over the country.
- **MAJOR CAMPAIGN:** Extensive digital advertising featuring **innovative partnerships and extensive pre-order activity**, blanket review, interview and feature coverage across national newspapers and magazines at hardback publication, and endorsements from key figures in the historical community.

Reviews

- 'An exquisitely drawn, poignant portrayal of one of history's most complex, maligned and fascinating figures... A must for Tudor fans everywhere' - Tracy Borman
- 'Utterly convincing and eminently readable. This is Alison Weir's most humane - and most personal - novel yet' - Sarah Gristwood
- 'At the end of the novel, I was left wanting to weep for her, but also shudder in horror at who she had become' - Karen Maitland
- 'Thrilling, captivating, this is brilliant evocation of Mary and her world, Alison Weir welcomes us into her vivid, tragic and dangerous life. Beautifully evoked, she makes Mary's story unforgettable' - Kate Williams

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Author Biography

Alison Weir is a bestselling historical novelist of Tudor fiction, and the leading female historian in the United Kingdom. She has published more than thirty books, including many leading works of non-fiction, and has sold over three million copies worldwide.

Her novels include the Tudor Rose trilogy, which spans three generations of history's most iconic family - the Tudors, and the highly acclaimed Six Tudor Queens series about the wives of Henry VIII, all of which were *Sunday Times* bestsellers.

Alison is a fellow of the Royal Society of Arts and an honorary life patron of Historic Royal Palaces.

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Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	416 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex UK, Can); Ire
Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA

Book locale	London
Author born in	London
Author living in	London
CANADA, UNITED STATES Publisher	Graydon House Books Publisher

Previous Titles

The Housekeepers

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Audio	Refer to Publisher
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The Queen of Fives

Alex Hay

Keynote

Twisty and compelling new historical fiction from the author of THE HOUSEKEEPERS in which London's most talented con woman has five days to lift a fortune from the richest family in England.

Description

Nothing is quite as it seems in Victorian high society, in the twisty and original new novel from the author of THE HOUSEKEEPERS...

'Sheer delight from start to finish' **Janice Hallett**

'Audacious, cunning, quick-witted' **Louise Candlish**

'As fiendishly clever as its characters' **Jennie Godfrey**

*They whisper her name in every corner of town.
The lady with a hundred faces, a thousand lives.
Five moves, five days - for such are the rules of her game.*

1898. Quinn Le Blanc, London's most talented con woman, has five days to pull off the seemingly impossible: trick an eligible duke into marriage and lift a fortune from the richest family in England.

Masquerading as a wealthy debutante, Quinn is the jewel of the season. Her brilliant act opens doors to the grand drawing rooms and lavish balls of high society - and propels her into the inner circle of her target: the corrupt, charismatic Kendals.

But as she spins in and out of their world, Quinn becomes tangled in a dangerous web of love, lies and loyalty. The Kendal family all have secrets of their own, and she may not be the only one playing a game of high deception...

'A period piece, a full-throttle thriller and a masterclass in characterisation - historical fiction doesn't get more exciting than this' **Erin Kelly**

A fabulous mix of Victorian skullduggery and high society, full of twists that keep you turning the pages, this is a fantastic read where no-one is ever quite what they seem' **Katy Watson**

'High stakes, high society and high drama, with a gleaming cast of characters and a game that keeps you guessing till the last' **Kate Foster, author of *The Maiden***

'Rich in delicious detail and enticing prose, while terrifically fast-paced, Alex Hay's *The Queen of Fives* has stolen my heart' **Jessica Bull, author of *Miss Austen Investigates***

Praise for THE HOUSEKEEPERS:

'The perfect holiday read' ***Guardian***

'Punch-the-air good' **Kiran Millwood Hargrave**

'Delightfully mischievous' ***The Times***

'Imagine *Ocean's 8* had an illegitimate baby with *Fingersmith*' **Erin Kelly**

'Impressive' ***Sunday Times***

'Kept me hooked 'til the last page' **Jennifer Saint**

Sales Points

- **STATEMENT CREATIVE CAMPAIGN:** Publication will be supported with far-reaching multi-platform campaign, filled with world building and theatre, across social media, online and in bookshops, with assets shared globally and author events.
- **WORLD RIGHTS:** Rights sold in the USA and France. Translation rights will be a highlight of Frankfurt Book Fair 2024. Rights in *The Housekeepers* sold in 10 territories and counting.
- **CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED AUTHOR:** Alex Hay's debut novel, *The Housekeepers*, was published to blanket review coverage and critical acclaim, and widespread endorsements from writers, readers and booksellers. It was chosen as Waterstones Thriller of the Month for May and is a Waterstones Paperback of the Year.

- **TV DEAL:** Rights in Alex's debut *The Housekeepers* sold to Miramax who are planning an eight-part ensemble drama.

Reviews

- 'A **thrilling and multi-layered story of trickery and deception**, truth and lies, poverty and riches, that is **sheer delight from start to finish**. Alex Hay has created a **searing anti-heroine** in a world painted with all the **sumptuous colour and brooding darkness of the late 1800s. Absolutely enthralling!**' - Janice Hallett
- '**Audacious, cunning, quick-witted** - this is a jewel of a book from **the seriously talented Alex Hay**. I was rooting for the Queen of Fives from the very first line' - Louise Candlish
- '*The Queen of Fives* is **as fiendishly clever as its characters**, an atmospheric novel with real heart and depth' - Jennie Godfrey
- 'A period piece, a full-throttle thriller and **a masterclass in characterisation** - historical fiction doesn't get more exciting than this' - Erin Kelly

Author Biography

Alex Hay grew up in Cambridge and Cardiff and has been writing as long as he can remember. He studied History at the University of York, and wrote his dissertation on female power at royal courts, combing the archives for every scrap of drama and skulduggery he could find. He has worked in magazine publishing and the charity sector, and is a graduate of the Curtis Brown Write Your Novel course. His debut novel *The Housekeepers* won the Caledonia Novel Award 2022 and was published to great critical acclaim. Alex lives with his husband in South East London

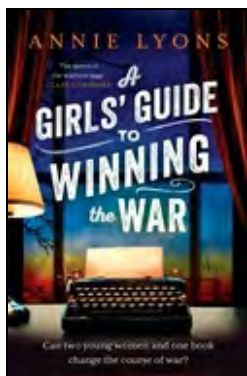
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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	400 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can

Previous Titles
The Air Raid Book Club

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
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Translation	Laura Macdougall
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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A Girls' Guide to Winning the War

The most heartwarming, uplifting novel of courage and friendship in WW2

Annie Lyons

Keynote

An emotional and uplifting novel set in WW2 London, of female friendship and the remarkable power of writing and community spirit to bring hope in dark times, from the *USA Today* bestselling author.

Description

'A heart-warming tale about resilience, friendships and family, and the inestimable power of the written word' RUTH HOGAN

'A heart-warming depiction of strong female friendships tested by suffering - Annie Lyons really is the queen of the wartime saga' CLARE CHAMBERS

<h3>Can two young women and one book change the course of war?</h3>

1940. Whip-smart **librarian Peggy Sparks** is determined to make sure that her brother Joe returns from the frontline to their London home, which they share with their beloved mother and grandmother. So when she is offered a once-in-a-lifetime job at the heart of the war effort, Peggy jumps at the prospect of making a real contribution to her country.

But when she finds herself working under the fanciful **socialite Lady Marigold Cecily**, Peggy discovers that those around her are more keen on dancing at the Café de Paris than on ending the war. Writing accounts of her daily life is the only thing keeping Peggy's hopes alive. But when she finds her inner-most thoughts accidentally published by the Ministry of Information, Peggy realises she needs Marigold's help to save her job, and to bring her brother home . . .

From the author of *The Air Raid Book Club* comes a powerful tale of unexpected friendship, community and two remarkable women who change the course of the war. Full of heart, emotion and drama, it is the perfect uplifting story for fans of Kate Thompson and Natasha Lester.

'A joyous read that I couldn't put down. I loved it' LIZ FENWICK

'Annie Lyons writes with compassion and heart, leaving the reader feeling like there is always hope, even in the darkest times' KATE STOREY

'This book is a delight! A warm hug of a story with gorgeous characters who felt like friends... Loved it! KERRY BARRETT

WHAT EARLY READERS ARE ALREADY SAYING ABOUT *A GIRLS' GUIDE TO WINNING THE WAR*:

'I loved every page of it... I found myself just wanting to get back to read it. I love, love, loved it' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ Real reader review

'Annie Lyons writes amazing historical fiction... So many emotions, fabulous writing and a thoroughly enjoyable read!' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ Real reader review

'My favourite thing about her books is the way a tight community is formed throughout the story, and they always include strong female characters both young and old. Did I mention there are libraries?' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ Real reader review

Sales Points

- **International rights to *The Air Raid Book Club* snapped up worldwide at auction:** US rights - William Morrow, HarperCollins; Portugal - Bertrand; Germany - Rowohlt (at auction); Italy - Garzanti (pre-empt); Holland - Xander (pre-empt); Finland - Aula (pre-empt); Spain - Planeta Mexico (at auction); Brazil - Rocco (at auction)
- **For fans of THE LITTLE WARTIME LIBRARY by Kate Thompson**, THE PARIS LIBRARY by Janet Skeslien Charles and THE GUERNSEY LITERARY AND POTATO PEEL SOCIETY by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows, in times like these this story offers hope and demonstrates how a small community can give shelter and warmth in dark times.
- **THE BRILLIANT LIFE OF EUDORA HONEYSETT** by Annie Lyons was a *USA Today* bestseller and #1 on Audible and #5 on Kindle.com (UK title was EUDORA HONEYSETT IS QUITE WELL, THANK YOU)



Reviews

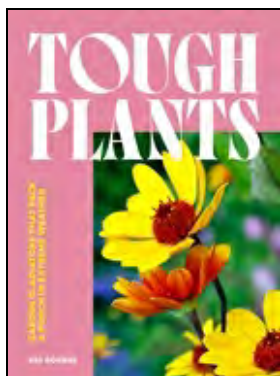
- **'Praise for *The Air Raid Book Club*' - :**
- **'I loved *The Air Raid Book Club* . . . Gertie and Hedy are wonderful characters and their intertwined stories are just **so touching and heartwarming**. What a beautiful novel this is. And as for that ending . . . **get those tissues ready**' - Jill Mansell**
- **'I loved this . . . a sweet and nourishing ode to books that historical fiction fans will love' - Kate Thompson**
- **'A warm and tender tale about the power and healing of friendship and community and the magic of books . . . Annie writes her characters with humanity, humour and respect and their stories will stay with me for a very long time. A wonderful, heart-warming read' - Ruth Hogan**

Author Biography

After a career in bookselling and publishing, Annie Lyons became an author. When not working on her novels, she teaches creative writing. She lives in south-east London with her husband and two children and black labrador, Nelson.

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Tough Plants

Garden gladiators that pack a punch in extreme weather

Val Bourne

Keynote

A stylish and modern guide to plants that flourish in the extreme weather conditions that have become the new norm. From gardening expert, Val Bourne, this book will tell you what to plant and where in an ever-changing environment.

Description

A stylish and modern guide to plants that flourish in the extreme weather conditions that have become the new norm.

There's nothing more soul-destroying than cultivating your beloved garden with beautiful plants, only to see them die a death from heatwave, frostbite or flooding. In extreme weather, the go-to plants of the past are no longer tough enough to survive and thrive. Enter *Tough Plants*: 40 of the most irrepressible species that will flourish whatever the weather.

With species from across the world, expert advice on planting and garden structure, five perfect partners for each entry and multiple variations for the ultimate garden inspiration, this book is a stylish, practical guide to plants that can literally weather the storm.

Sales Points

- Recent winner of Garden Media Guild's Digital Writer of the Year.
- Award-winning, expert author and RHS judge with considerable knowledge and experience
- Includes plants that flourish in extremes of all weather conditions
- Climate change is a hot topic and tough to digest. This is a positive, accessible approach to gardening in an ever-changing world
- Explains how to **exploit microclimates** and make the most of the garden, however small: Where is the sunniest spot in summer? Which area is wetter in winter? Where is the shadiest spot?

Author Biography

Val Bourne is an award-winning garden writer, hands-on gardener and committed plantaholic. Recent winner of Garden Media Guild's Digital Writer of the Year, she manages her third of an acre garden without using chemicals - something she has always believed in. Her latest book *The Living Jigsaw*, is all about her eco-friendly garden. She has been interested in the natural world since childhood and has actively tried to influence gardeners to be greener in order to help the survival of our planet. Val has been judging RHS plant trials for the past 16 years and she appears in many publications. She began writing in 1995 and is an Ambassador for The Hardy Plant Society.
www.valbourne.co.uk

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Format **203x151**
Depth **16mm**
Extent **128 pages**
Word Count **28917 words**
Illustrations **Colour photographic**

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Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	246x189
Extent	96 pages
Word Count	1000 words
Illustrations	Mono line drawings repurposed from backlist Over 100 black line vector illustrations
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None

Shadow Work: A Colouring Book

Explore Your Shadow Self and Discover the Inner You

Keynote

Embark on a journey of self-discovery and shadow work through creative colouring and prompts and reflection.

Description

Unlock the depths of your inner world with this transformative colouring book that will guide you through the journey of shadow work.

Powerful prompts, meditative practices and intricate colourable designs encourage self-reflection, healing and growth. As you colour, explore your emotions, confront your fears and embrace all aspects of your hidden self. Whether you're new to shadow work or deepening your practice, this book provides a creative and meditative space to connect with your inner self. Your path to healing starts here.

Sales Points

- "Shadow Work" has become an increasingly popular trend, with videos on TikTok amassing more than 2 billion views.
- Combines coloring with therapeutic prompts to guide readers through shadow work and self-reflection.
- Part of an exciting OH colouring book strategy which looks to publish up to three colouring books a year, based on trend and brand-collaborations.

Author Biography

Welbeck is an expert illustrated book company, with a dedicated team of experienced publishers. Our company creates beautiful books and publishes them in markets all over the world, bringing them to readers in every country.

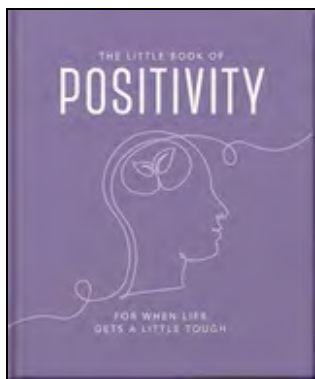
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BIC 2.1	Self-help & personal development (VS) Gift books (WZG)
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Format	137x113
Depth	20mm
Extent	192 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None

The Little Book of Positivity For When Life Gets a Little Tough Orange Hippo!

Keynote

Brighten your day with wise words from some of the world's best known figures - from ancient philosophers and celebrated writers to modern-day figures.

Description

We live in difficult, stressful times and finding positivity in the little things can sometimes be a challenge. With the endless balance of work, family and the constant buzz of our phones adding to the chaos, it's important to make sure you can find the light.

The Little Book of Positivity offers guidance for when the scales of life are tipped and seeing the cup half full becomes a little more difficult. Packed full of wise words from some of the world's best-known figures - from ancient philosophers and celebrated writers to modern-day figures - this book will help you change your perspective, shake off the gloom and see life on the brighter side.

Sales Points

- When worldwide events have been causing stress and unhappiness, this is a timely book to help people recapture some joy.
- Sits alongside the other Little Books on Calm, Joy, Balance, Happiness, Hope, and many others.
- A perfect pick-me-up self-purchase or gift for a loved one, this little book is sure to brighten anyone's day.

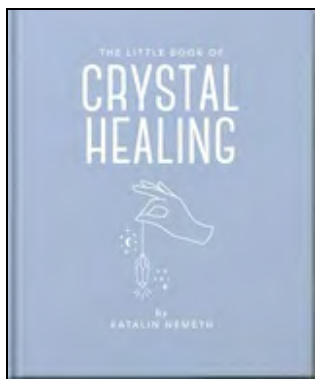
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BIC 2.1	Crystals & colour-healing (VXPC) Gift books (WZG) Spirituality & religious experience (HRLK) Witchcraft (HRQX5) Witchcraft & Wicca (VXWT)
Binding	Hardback
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Extent	192 pages
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The Little Book of Crystal Healing

Orange Hippo!

Keynote

An introductory guide to the magical healing powers of crystals.

Description

The Little Book of Crystal Healing is an essential beginner's guide to enhancing your day-to-day life with the help of crystal healing. From overcoming anxiety and soothing unregulated emotions to remedying physical symptoms such as headaches and insomnia, this little book draws on the unique healing energy of crystals to bring you mental and physical health benefits.

Not to worry if you don't know the difference between jade or moonstone, this practical, pocket-sized handbook breaks down the benefits and properties of each crystal stone. From providing healing remedies and clear instruction on how to harness each crystal's individual power to suggesting the perfect pairings for the flow of good vibrations, *The Little Book of Crystal Healing* will help you focus your energy and balance your chakra to feel in harmony with your mind, body and soul.

Sales Points

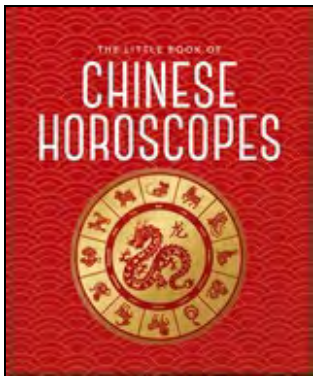
- *The Little Book of Crystal Healing* is the essential introductory guide to the mental and physical healing powers of stones.
- According to CNBC, there has been a 65% increase in the search term 'crystals' over the past decade. #crystals has been viewed 19.2 billion times according to TikTok data, and 40 million times on Instagram.
- Includes a simplified and digestible breakdown of the healing qualities of individual stones to cater to a wide range of mental and physical health concerns.
- Holistic and spiritual methods of healing have been on the rise - especially the ability to use one's own mind and energy with the help of natural sources to promote self-healing.

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The Little Book of Chinese Horoscopes

Orange Hippo!

Keynote

An introductory guide to understanding the fascinating elements of the Chinese zodiac and how your Chinese horoscope can influence your life.

Description

Dating all the way back to the 5th century B.C., Chinese horoscopes contain a wealth of interesting stories and facts. From the twelve famous zodiac signs to elements and seasons that influence who you are, this little book contains everything you need to know about the Chinese lunar zodiac.

Whether you were born in the year of the tiger or the rare year of the dragon, *The Little Book of Chinese Horoscopes* is packed full of fascinating facts and inspirational quotes about the origins and traits of each sign and how these influences will guide you through all walks of life, including relationships, jobs, health and more.

Sales Points

- The Chinese New Year is an extremely popular celebration, celebrated by an estimated 2 billion people across the globe.
- The Chinese horoscope has been used for centuries to predict the future and provide guidance for individuals all across the globe.
- This little book is the perfect introduction to understanding more about the Chinese zodiac calendar, which combines Western solar-based astrology with the Eastern lunar calendar.
- Published to coincide with the Chinese New Year on January 29, 2025.
- Published during the year of the snake - those born during the year of the snake are said to be intuitive, intelligent and quick thinking.

Publication date	Thursday, January 02, 2025
Price	£6.99/₹550
Main Identifier	9781035419807
BIC 2.1	Gift books (WZG)
	Star signs & horoscopes (VXFA1)
Binding	Hardback
Format	137x113
Depth	20mm
Extent	192 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None

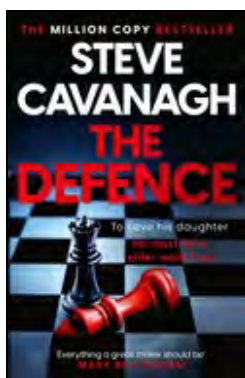
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Main Identifier	9781035414901
BIC 2.1	Thriller / suspense (FH) Crime & mystery (FF) Modern & contemporary fiction (post c 1945) (FA)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	320 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Series	Eddie Flynn
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); EU; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Book locale	New York
Author born in	Belfast
Author living in	Northern Ireland

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The Defence

Steve Cavanagh

Keynote

Eddie Flynn has 48 hours to save his daughter...The gripping thriller from the multi-award-winning author of the acclaimed Eddie Flynn series and Sunday Times bestsellers FIFTY, THE DEVIL'S ADVOCATE and THE ACCOMPLICE.

Description

'Everything a great thriller should be ' MARK BILLINGHAM
'Steve Cavanagh's twists hit you between the eyes. You never see them coming' ANTHONY HOROWITZ

HE HAS JUST 48 HOURS TO SAVE HIS DAUGHTER...

Eddie Flynn used to be a con artist. Then he became a lawyer. Turned out the two weren't that different.

It's been over a year since Eddie vowed never to set foot in a courtroom again. But now he doesn't have a choice. Olek Volchek, the infamous head of the Russian mafia in New York, has strapped a bomb to Eddie's back and kidnapped his ten-year-old daughter, Amy. Eddie only has forty-eight hours to defend Volchek in an impossible murder trial - and win - if he wants to save his daughter.

Under the scrutiny of the media and the FBI, Eddie must use his razor-sharp wit and every con-artist trick in the book to defend his 'client' and ensure Amy's safety. With the timer on his back ticking away, can Eddie convince the jury of the impossible?

Praise for the award-winning, Sunday Times bestseller Steve Cavanagh:

'A gripping, twisty thriller' **IAN RANKIN**
'This guy is the real deal. Trust me' **LEE CHILD**
'Steve Cavanagh writes the best hooks in the business' **MICK HERRON**
'The real magic is in Steve Cavanagh's hypnotic storytelling power' **SUNDAY EXPRESS**
'Cavanagh is a genius' **EVENING STANDARD**
'A great author' **MARTINA COLE**

Sales Points

- **ONE OF THE BIGGEST THRILLER BRAND NAMES IN THE UK AND BEYOND:** Steve Cavanagh is top five Sunday Times bestseller and one of the most popular UK thriller writers, having sold over one million books in the UK alone.
- **AN ACCLAIMED AND AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR:** With irresistible plots and a stunning cinematic style, Steve's novels receive massive praise from bestselling authors (including Lee Child, Michael Connelly and Shari Lapena), national reviewers and high-profile media book clubs.
- **THE NOVEL THE BEGAN THE BESTSELLING EDDIE FLYNN SERIES** A gripping, page-turning and ingenious read, this novel established Steve Cavanagh as one of the most exciting voices in crime fiction.

Author Biography

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BIC 2.1	Espionage & spy thriller (FHD) Thriller / suspense (FH) Crime & mystery (FF)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	384 pages
Word Count	
Series	Louise Mangan
Exclusively for Sale	Can; Cw; EU; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	USA

Author born in	East Yorkshire
Author living in	Yorkshire

Previous Titles

9781035403448 Death on the Thames
9781472286215 One Of Our Ministers Is Missing
9781472286123 The Late Train to Gipsy Hill

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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
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Death on the Thames the unmissable new murder mystery from the award-winning writer and former MP

Alan Johnson

Keynote

The third novel in the Detective Mangan series, set in Hampton Court by award-winning writer and former MP, Alan Johnson.

Description

'A cracking crime thriller' *The Sun*

THERE'S BLOOD ON THE WATER. NO ONE IS SAFE...

1999. A young Detective Constable Louise Mangan crosses the Thames one misty morning in pursuit of a killer. She finds a tranquil community on a leafy island close to Hampton Court Palace, but soon realises that all is not as it seems. There is something evil at play in this quiet suburb, and this junior detective's questions seem only to scratch the surface.

Twenty years later, a horrific fire brings Detective Chief Superintendent Mangan back to that same island. Soon, she discovers that murder was just a drop in these dark waters.

The river runs deep, and the tide is rising at last. Will the truth rise with it?

Praise for Alan Johnson's novels:

'A punchy thriller' *Irish Independent*

'A fast-paced who-done-what' *SAGA Magazine*

'Featuring espionage, the Russian Mafia and a gorgeous female on a train with a deadly secret, the tantalising plot has set Alan up for dominance of the bestseller charts for years to come' **Fiona Phillips**

'Is there no limit to his talents? . . . I absolutely loved Alan's new thriller, it's brilliant' **Hunter Davies**

'Johnson's writing style is easy, relaxed, self-deprecating . . . impressive' **Observer**

'Johnson writes wonderfully' *Telegraph*

'This boy can write . . .' *The Spectator*

Sales Points

- **THIRD NOVEL OF DETECTIVE MANGAN SERIES:** Alan's third novel with Wildfire - building on his established brand and following on from the huge PR campaign and love for his previous two novels, ONE OF OUR MINISTERS IS MISSING (2022) and THE LATE TRAIN TO GIPSY HILL (2021).
- **FOR FANS OF:** A perfect novel for fans of the fiction of Richard Osman and Graham Norton - by an award-winning and much loved writer, and one-time cabinet member of the last Labour government.
- **AUDIENCE:** Alan has a newsletter with over 2000 subscribers for book updates, extracts, and exclusive year-round content and he previously hosted a podcast series called HOW TO CHANGE THE WORLD, sponsored by Barclays Banks on 11-29 media featuring names such as Stuart Lee, Bryony Gordon, James Dean Bradfield, Caitlin Moran and others.
- **PLATFORM:** Separately from his book PR, Alan has a monthly column in *Saga Magazine* acting as their first ever Agony Uncle, as well as a regular slot on 'Steph's Packed Lunch', Steph McGovern's show on Channel 4.

Reviews

- 'Clever Alan Johnson . . . [he] has invented a new genre, the cosy thriller . . . Richard Osman, here's a bullet with your name on it.' - *The Times*
- 'A punchy thriller.' - *Irish Independent*
- 'More layers that a filo pastry.' - *The Sun*
- 'Fascinating and ingenious.' - Melvyn Bragg

Author Biography

Alan Johnson's childhood memoir THIS BOY was published in 2013. It won the Royal Society of Literature Ondaatje Prize, and the Orwell Prize, Britain's top political writing award. His second volume of memoirs, PLEASE MR POSTMAN (2014) won the National Book Club award for Best Biography. The final book in his memoir trilogy, THE LONG AND WINDING ROAD (2016), won the Parliamentary Book Award for Best Memoir. IN MY LIFE -



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Main Identifier **9781035415342**
BIC 2.1 **Romance (FR)
Fantasy (FM)
Fantasy romance (FMR)**

Binding **Trade Paperback**
Format **Royal**
Extent **448 pages**

Word Count
Illustrations **N/A**
Exclusively for Sale **Cw (ex UK, Can);
Ire**

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

Book locale **N/A**
Author born in **Scotland**
Author living in **Glasgow**

Previous Titles
THE STARS ARE DYING (2024)

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**

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The Night is Defying

Chloe C. Peñaranda

Keynote

The story continues in the second book of this epic, dark romantasy trilogy loosely inspired by the Greek myth of Astraea and the fall of the Golden Age - from B&N Top 10 bestselling author Chloe C. Peñaranda.

Description

The exciting second volume in bestselling author Chloe C. Peñaranda's *Nytefall* series, where history is doomed to repeat, and star-crossed lovers must face a choice between their hearts or the world...

Vicious Nightmares Need Peaceful Dreams.

Shaken from the aftermath of the Libertatem, the newly found star-maiden Astraea is determined to keep her freedom, even at the cost of betraying her heart. But time is running out to recover her memories, and with it the hope to unveil her killer.

Embarking on a journey to discover her past, Astraea's awakening power spins the hourglass on a history threatening to repeat itself. While Nyte tries to regain control of the vampires hungry for bloodshed, a sinister plan by his brother to overthrow him sparks a dangerous feud. But are they willing to wear the blood of their kin to see it through?

For nothing in the past ever stays buried. Friends have turned into foes, brothers have turned into enemies, and what was written in the stars long ago ignites again in two hearts that were never meant to be. Letting Astraea go would save the world from darkness, but Nyte is no hero. It seems no monster is heartless, and no angel is without sin.

Sales Points

- **TIKTOK SENSATION:** Chloe C. Peñaranda is a TikTok sensation with the following stats as of Sept 2023 - **74.1K** followers, **#chloecpenaranda 8.5M** views, **#thestarsaredying 7.3M** views, **#nytefall 3.6M** views.
- **GREEK MYTH x LIGHT VS. DARK ROMANTASY:** Greek mythology meets romantasy - with tropes such as star-crossed lovers, forbidden romance, an epic betrayal; all with a hefty level of spice.
- **SERIES CAMPAIGN AIMED AT BOOKTOKKERS:** Using Headline's existing romantasy blogger connections, we will be engaging BookTokkers and Bookstagrammers dubbed as 'OUR BRIGHTEST STARS' in our ongoing publishing of the *Nytefall* series to grow organic support and build on the series' TikTok visibility.
- **PERFECT FOR FANS OF:** Raven Kennedy, Carissa Broadbent, Amber V. Nicole and Sarah J. Maas.

Author Biography

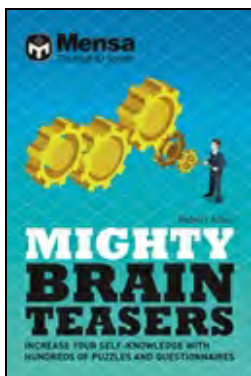
CHLOE C. PEÑARANDA is the USA Today bestselling author of the *Nytefall* trilogy and *An Heir Comes to Rise* series.

A lifelong avid reader and writer, Chloe discovered her passion for storytelling in her early teens. Her stories have been spun from years of building on fictional characters and exploring Tolkien-like quests in made up worlds. During her time at the University of the West of Scotland, Chloe immersed herself in writing for short film, producing animations, and spending class time dreaming of far off lands.

In her spare time from writing in her home in scenic Scotland, Chloe enjoys digital art, graphic design, and down time with her three little dogs. When the real world calls... she rarely listens.

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Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Depth	34mm
Extent	400 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	c.500 colour and B&W puzzles
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

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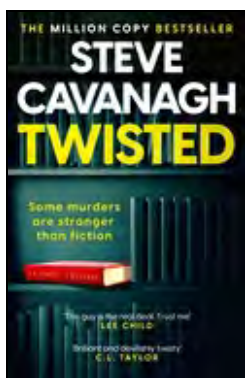
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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	352 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); EU; UK
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Book locale	USA
Author born in	Belfast
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Twisted

Steve Cavanagh

Keynote

Some murders are strange than fiction...the brilliantly unpredictable thriller from the multi-award-winning author of the acclaimed Eddie Flynn series and Sunday Times bestsellers FIFTY FIFTY, THE DEVIL'S ADVOCATE and THE ACCOMPLICE.

Description

'This guy is the real deal. Trust me.' LEE CHILD

BEFORE YOU READ THIS BOOK I WANT YOU TO KNOW THREE THINGS:

1. The police are looking to charge me with **murder**.
2. No one knows who I am. Or how **I did it**.
3. If you think you've found me. **I'm coming for you next**.

After you've read this book, you'll know: the truth is far more twisted...

'A fantastic standalone thriller. Punchy, ridiculously gripping, fast-paced, clever. Beautifully-plotted and incredibly fun to read. He's done it again. SUPERB.' **WILL DEAN**

'Brilliant and devilishly twisty and turny.' **C.L. TAYLOR**

'Outstanding. Totally absorbing and compelling. A masterpiece in thriller plotting - twists and turns at a ferocious pace, leading to a nail-biting conclusion.' **MEL SHERRATT**

'Twisted and dark, another rip roaring rollercoaster ride.' **ANGELA CLARKE**

'Looks set to cement his status as heir apparent to John Grisham.' **DAILY EXPRESS**

'As nastily inventive as his highly successful Thirteen.' **SUNDAY EXPRESS**

'A fantastic read. Guaranteed to be one of the big books of 2019. You won't be able to put this down. It's about time we found out the truth about JT LeBeau...' **LUCA VESTE**

'A corkscrewing rollercoaster of thrills, switchbacks, loop-de-loops and screaming good fun. Add it to your wish list!' **MARK EDWARDS**

'Steve Cavanagh must have sold his soul to the devil at the crossroads outside of Rosedale, Mississippi in exchange for becoming one of the world's best crime writers. Just read TWISTED and he's done it again. As edgy, gripping & brilliant as Thirteen. Steve is 5/5' **ADRIAN MCKINTY**

Sales Points

- **THE FIRST STANDALONE AND SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER FROM STEVE CAVANAGH:** This unforgettable thriller with a shocking twist is the perfect read for the huge thriller audience.
- **ONE OF THE BIGGEST THRILLER BRAND NAMES IN THE UK AND BEYOND:** Steve Cavanagh is a top five Sunday Times bestseller and one of the most popular UK thriller writers, having **sold over one million books in the UK alone**.
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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	416 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Series	Eddie Flynn
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); EU; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Book locale	USA
Author born in	Belfast
Author living in	Northern Ireland

Previous Titles

THE DEFENCE; THE PLEA; THE LIAR; THIRTEEN; TWISTED; FIFTY FIFTY; THE DEVIL'S ADVOCATE; THE ACCOMPLICE; KILL FOR ME KILL FOR YOU

The Devil's Advocate

Steve Cavanagh

Description

'Makes your palms sweat and your blood run cold; the terrific trial scenes out-Grisham John Grisham' **THE TIMES**

'This guy is the real deal. Trust me.' **LEE CHILD**

'Top notch thrills and courtroom drama' **SHARI LAPENA**

HE'S WON EVERY TRIAL. BECAUSE HE'S BEHIND EVERY MURDER.

Ambitious District Attorney Randal Korn lives to watch prisoners executed. Even if they are not guilty.

An innocent man, Andy Dubois, faces the death penalty for the murder of young girl. Korn has already fixed things to make sure he wins a fast conviction.

The one thing Korn didn't count on was Eddie Flynn.

Slick, street smart and cunning, the former con artist turned New York lawyer has only seven days to save an innocent man against a corrupt system and find the real killer.

In a week the Judge will read the verdict, but will Eddie be alive to hear it?

Praise for the award-winning, Sunday Times Top Five bestseller Steve Cavanagh:

'The ultimate treat for crime fiction fans' **JANICE HALLETT**

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'A great author' **MARTINA COLE**

Sales Points

- **A TOP TEN BESTSELLING THRILLER IN THE AWARD-WINNING EDDIE FLYNN SERIES** A bullet-quick, twisting and unforgettable thriller in the Eddie Flynn series, which regular hits the Sunday Times top ten.
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Author born in	Belfast
Author living in	Northern Ireland

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www.headline.co.uk**The Accomplice****Steve Cavanagh****Keynote**

Her husband is a serial killer. But did she know? The up-all-night thriller from the multi-award-winning author of the acclaimed Eddie Flynn series and Sunday Times bestsellers FIFTY FIFTY, THE DEVIL'S ADVOCATE and THE ACCOMPLICE.

Description**HER HUSBAND IS A SERIAL KILLER. BUT DID SHE KNOW?****'This guy is the real deal. Trust me.' LEE CHILD****'Top notch thrills and courtroom drama' SHARI LAPENA****'Steve Cavanagh's twists hit you between the eyes. You never see them coming' ANTHONY HOROWITZ****Daniel Miller murdered fourteen people before he vanished.**

His wife, Carrie, now faces trial as his accomplice. The FBI, the District Attorney, the media and everyone in America believe she knew and helped cover up her husband's crimes.

Eddie Flynn won't take a case unless his client is innocent. Now, he has to prove to a jury, and the entire world, that Carrie Miller didn't know her husband's dark side. But so far, Eddie and his team are the only ones who believe that she had no part in the murders.

With his wife on trial, Daniel Miller is forced to come out of hiding to save her from a life sentence. He will kill to protect her and everyone involved in the case is a target. Even Eddie Flynn...

Praise for the award-winning, Sunday Times bestseller Steve Cavanagh:**'The ultimate treat for crime fiction fans' JANICE HALLETT****'Steve Cavanagh's twists hit you between the eyes. You never see them coming'****ANTHONY HOROWITZ****'A gripping, twisty thriller' IAN RANKIN****'This guy is the real deal. Trust me' LEE CHILD****'Steve Cavanagh writes the best hooks in the business' MICK HERRON****'The real magic is in Steve Cavanagh's hypnotic storytelling power' SUNDAY EXPRESS****'Cavanagh is a genius' EVENING STANDARD****'A great author' MARTINA COLE****Sales Points**

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Previous Titles

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The Liar

Steve Cavanagh

Keynote

A GIRL IS MISSING. SOMEONE IS LYING...The page-turning, thriller from the multi-award-winning author of the acclaimed Eddie Flynn series and Sunday Times bestsellers FIFTY FIFTY, THE DEVIL'S ADVOCATE and THE ACCOMPLICE.

Description

'Plotting that takes the breath away' IAN RANKIN

'A fantastic thriller writer' MARK BILLINGHAM

'Steve Cavanagh's twists hit you between the eyes. You never see them coming' ANTHONY HOROWITZ

A GIRL IS MISSING. SOMEONE IS LYING.

WHO IS DEADLIER...

Leonard Howell's worst nightmare has come true: his daughter Caroline has been kidnapped. Not content with relying on the cops, Howell calls the only man he trusts to get her back.

...THE MAN WHO KNOWS THE TRUTH...

Eddie Flynn knows what it's like to lose a daughter and vows to bring Caroline home safe. Once a con artist, now a hotshot criminal attorney, Flynn is no stranger to the shady New York underworld.

...OR THE ONE WHO BELIEVES A LIE?

However, as he steps back into his old life, Flynn realizes that the rules of game have changed - and that he is being played. But who is pulling the strings? And is anyone in this twisted case telling the truth...?

A missing girl, a desperate father and a case that threatens to destroy everyone involved...

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Sales Points

- **THE CELEBRATED THIRD NOVEL IN THE BESTSELLING EDDIE FLYNN SERIES**
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Your Best Friend's Guide to Cash

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The Bargain Hunter

Easy Hacks and Tips to Save Money Every Day

Kara Gammell

Keynote

This book will help you save money throughout your day.

Description

<h3>If it feels like your money doesn't go as far as it did before, you're right. The good news is that you can do something about it.</h3>

Whether it's reducing your food waste to save on your supermarket spending, getting more miles to the gallon on the road or beating retailers at their best tricks for getting you to spend more, there are thousands of ways to stretch your money - you just need to know where to look.

In this book, finance expert Kara Gammell has divided the contents by topic so you can start in the areas of your life where you think you could make the biggest savings. You'll find tips for entertaining the kids on a shoestring, money-saving hacks on booking your next summer break and many more . . .

From laundry tips to multi-tasking kitchen tools, ingenious travel advice to getting the best out of customer service, the author dispenses no-nonsense advice that is incredibly easy to fit into your life, saving you much-needed cash along the way. Also touching on the bigger money questions like how and where to invest, which cashback schemes are the best and how to run a household in the most efficient and cost-effective way, this book will show you how.

When life feels out of control, taking these little steps each day can help you feel like you are back in the driver's seat. You'll be surprised at how soon your savings can add up.

Sales Points

- The author is an experienced financial journalist with a weekly column in *Metro* called THE BARGAIN HUNTER.
- With the UK recession, the current cost of living crisis and high inflation, people want to find clever ways to save their money. This book will show them how.

Author Biography

Kara Gammell is an award-winning financial journalist with more than 15 years' experience writing for national newspapers and magazines such as *Metro*, the *Daily Telegraph*, the *Sunday Times*, *Good Housekeeping*, the *Guardian*, the *Observer*, *Marie Claire*, the *Sun*, *Cosmopolitan* and the *Radio Times*. She currently writes a column for *Metro*. She regularly commentates on consumer issues on television and radio stations such as *Talk Radio*, *BBC You & Yours*, *BBC Moneybox*, *BBC Wake Up to Money* and *Times Radio*.

Kara is the founder of a money saving blog called *Your Best Friend's Guide to Cash*, which promises to help you get more bang for your buck, no matter what your budget.

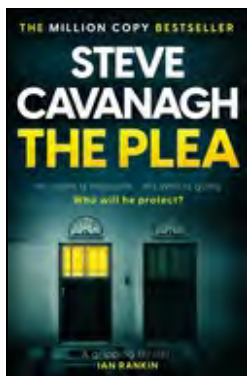
Her first book, *Your Best Friend's Guide to Cash: Eight Things Every Woman Needs to Know About Money*, was published by Harriman House in 2014.

Originally from Nova Scotia, Canada, Kara lives in West Sussex with her daughter and two rescue dogs.

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The Plea

Steve Cavanagh

Keynote

His client is innocent. His wife is guilty...the gripping thriller from the multi-award-winning author of the acclaimed Eddie Flynn series and Sunday Times bestsellers **FIFTY FIFTY**, **THE DEVIL'S ADVOCATE** and **THE ACCOMPLICE**.

Description

'One of the most purely entertaining books you'll read this year. It's a blast'
JOHN CONNOLLY

'A fantastic thriller writer' **MARK BILLINGHAM**

FRAUD. BLACKMAIL. MURDER.
IT'S ALL IN A DAY'S WORK FOR EDDIE FLYNN.

When David Child, a major client of a corrupt New York law firm, is arrested for murder, the FBI ask con artist-turned-lawyer Eddie Flynn to secure the case and force him to testify against the firm.

Eddie is not someone who is easily coerced, but when the FBI reveal that they have incriminating files on his wife, he knows he has no choice.

But Eddie is convinced the man is innocent, despite overwhelming evidence to the contrary. With the FBI putting pressure on him to secure the deal, Eddie must find a way to prove his client's innocence.

But the stakes are high - his wife is in danger. And not just from the FBI . . .

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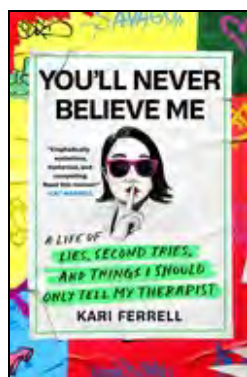
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Sales Points

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You'll Never Believe Me Before Anna Delvey, before the Tinder Swindler, there was 'Hipster Grifter' Kari Ferrell...

Kari Ferrell

Keynote

An audacious, hilarious and headline-stealing memoir from one of the internet's viral obsessions - the 'Hipster Grifter' - tackling race, identity, redemption, reconciliation... and scamming.

Description

<h3>The hilarious and headline-stealing memoir from Kari Ferrell, AKA the 'Hipster Grifter', perfect for fans of *Inventing Anna*, *Tinder Swindler* and Cat Marnell's *How to Murder Your Life*</h3>

'Emphatically audacious, hysterical and compelling. Read this memoir!'
CAT MARNELL

Adopted from South Korea by a Mormon family in Utah, Kari struggled with questions of self-worth and identity as one of the few Asian Americans in her insulated community, and ran with the 'bad crowd' in a bid to fit in. Stealing from shops soon turned into picking up men (and picking their pockets), and, before she knew it, Kari had graduated from petty theft to the state's most-wanted list.

Though she was able to escape her hometown for the bright lights of New York, she couldn't outrun her new monicker: the Hipster Grifter. But beyond the internet infamy, headlines and speculation, there's a side to Kari the media never saw - until now.

Rollicking and irreverent, *You'll Never Believe Me* tells Kari's story for the first time. A heartfelt narrative of redemption and reconciliation, Kari's memoir is a hilarious, nostalgic, uplifting (and yes, at times unbelievable) tale that grapples with truth, why we lie, and what it means when our pasts don't paint the whole picture.

Sales Points

- **A VIRAL SENSATION:** *The Cut's* article 'The Second Coming of the Hipster Grifter' (about Kari's life of scamming and grifting) was widely shared in spring 2022, featured on the front of the New York Times Magazine's website for several days, and was the most read article across all Vox Media sites for the first two days of release
- **POPULAR SUBJECT:** we love scammers (whether that's *Ocean's 8*, Big Bertha, Anna Delvey or the Tinder Swindler), and Kari is one of the most commented-on scam artists in recent times.
- **OPTIONED FOR TV:** Mindy Kaling is producing the TV series of Kari's life for Showtime (and is in line to blurb for the book!)
- **AUDIENCE:** for fans of *Inventing Anna* and *Tinder Swindler*, and readers of Piper Kerman's *Orange is the New Black*, Rachel DeLoache Williams' *My Friend Anna* and Cat Marnell's *How to Murder Your Life*

Reviews

- 'Emphatically, audacious, hysterical and compelling. Read this memoir!' - Cat Marnell

Author Biography

Kari Ferrell is a producer, writer, speaker, activist, and creator whose work is centered around prison reform and mental health. Her production company, Without Wax, is dedicated to uplifting and telling other stories from women of color, and she's currently working with Kaling International on a scripted show based on her life. Kari also supports various organizations like Second Chance Studios, Books Through Bars, the ACLU, and other advocacy groups. She lives in Brooklyn with her pup and her partner.



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Author living in	Suffolk, UK

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The Blitz Girls

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Christmas with the Bobby Girls
The Bobby Girls' War

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Hope for the Blitz Girls

Heartbreaking and inspiring World War 2 saga fiction

Johanna Bell

Keynote

The second instalment of The Blitz Girls series, following the friendship of three women working on the front line in wartime London to help defend their country.

Description

London, October 1940. As German bombers increase their nightly raids on the capital, the Blitz Girls must be braver than ever to protect innocent lives and keep the fight against Hitler alive.

Dot, encouraged by her friends, is finding her independence and takes a full-time role as an ARP warden. As she finds new courage in the blackouts, her past might still be lurking in the shadows...

Peggy makes it her mission to help children caught up in the bombing find safety at her parents' large house in the country. When she returns home, however, she realises her own family need her more than ever. But can she leave her friends in the line of fire?

Vivian spends every moment not behind the wheel of her ambulance at the bedside of the man she loves, helping him recover from a terrible crash while defending the British skies. When she is torn between his hospital ward and the site of the latest blast, she faces a heartbreaking choice.

As each night becomes more dangerous for the Blitz Girls, will they have the strength to help each other through and keep the light alive in the darkness?

Sales Points

- Johanna Bell has sold over 80,000 copies across formats of her historical saga titles.
- Perfect for fans of WWII saga and emotional historical fiction. Exploring themes of friendship, love and determination, with strong female characters at its heart.
- Beautifully researched and based on the true stories of ordinary women who showed immense courage during the war's darkest hour.

Reviews

- 'PRAISE FOR JOHANNA BELL:

'A heartwarming story of women discovering their inner strength. . . I couldn't put it down' ' - Vicki Beeby, author of *The Ops Room Girls*

- **"This is a story that needed to be told... I love Johanna Bell from the bottom of my heart for giving a voice to the women who first made a way for me and countless others" ' - Penny Thorpe, bestselling author of *The Quality Street Girls***
- **"Filled with richly drawn characters that leap from the page, and a plot that's so well researched and well written you will believe you are in the thick of wartime... A must-read for all saga fans" - Fiona Ford author of *Christmas at Liberty's***

Author Biography

Johanna Bell is a freelance journalist living in Suffolk with her husband, their daughters and their dog. She developed a passion for learning about the wars after chatting to her granddad about his experiences in World War Two. She is the author of the Bobby Girls series, about the first policewomen in London during World War One, also published by Hodder & Stoughton.



The House of Frost and Feathers

A sweeping magical fantasy folk fairytale based on Slavic mythology

Lauren Wiesebron

Keynote

SPINNING SILVER meets HOWL'S MOVING CASTLE in this beautiful debut Slavic folklore fantasy.

Description

SPINNING SILVER meets HOWL'S MOVING CASTLE in this beautiful debut Slavic folklore fantasy.

Marisha's time is running out. She's already lost her family to the sleeping plague, and she fears she'll be next. Penniless and desperate for protection, Marisha is forced to accept a job as apprentice to the notorious koldunya, Baba Zima.

Despite Baba Zima's reputation for cruelty, Marisha finds herself drawn into the magical world of koldunry, and is thrust into looking for a cure to the plague - if Marisha finds it, she will finally be free.

As the search grows increasingly dangerous and seemingly impossible, Marisha uncovers hidden connections between the sleeping plague, her own family's history, and her haunting dreams: of a masked ball where sleepers are trapped endlessly dancing - and a monstrous beaked man who shadows her every step . . .

Sales Points

- **Perfect for fans of Naomi Novik and HOWL'S MOVING CASTLE:** this magical adult standalone fantasy is utterly enchanting and is a wholly immersive debut that deftly reimagines the legend of Baba Yaga.
- **Growing interest in Slavic myth and folklore:** with popular books such as UPROOTED by Naomi Novik and Katherine Arden's THE BEAR AND THE NIGHTINGALE, there is an appetite for more fiction in this area.
- **Perfect winter read:** With the house skiing through quiet snowy forests, enchanted masked balls and magical bonfire gatherings, THE HOUSE OF FROST AND FEATHERS is the perfect book to settle in with as the days get colder and shorter
- **Achingly beautiful writing:** With dreamy, atmospheric writing, doors to other worlds, powerful folkloric magic, a deadly sleeping plague, and the race against time to find a cure, Lauren has crafted a spellbinding debut novel that has evergreen appeal.

Reviews

- 'Sweeping and lyrical, rich with folk magic, *House of Frost and Feathers* is an otherworldly dream of a read. Combining the wonder and beauty of magical winter landscapes with the creeping dread of relentless pursuit and the darkness between doorways, Wiesebron's transporting debut is the perfect book to curl up with on a chilly night' - *Jules Arbeaux, author of Lord of the Empty Isles*
- '**A sweeping debut that shimmers with romance and folklore. Marisha is a hardy heroine with much heart, and her journey is a lyrically layered fantasy that enchants from the first page**' - *Elizabeth Lim, Sunday Times bestselling author of the Six Crimson Cranes duo logy*

Author Biography

Lauren Wiesebron is a fantasy author, writing adventures for characters who do not yet know they need them. She grew up in France and is now an itinerant academic studying sea creatures. When not writing, you can find her acquiring yarn and naming houseplants. She has also been known to pick up cats even when they don't want to be picked up.

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The Stranger in the Room

the addictive and unsettling new thriller from the author of TRUST IN ME

Luca Veste

Keynote

An electrifying, edge of your seat thriller for fans of Harlan Coben, Linwood Barclay and Peter James.

Description

A STRING OF MURDERS. AND THE PERSON WHO LINKS THEM ALL IS ... YOUR DAUGHTER.

Alison Lennon receives the worst news a parent can expect - her son, Ben, has been killed, in what looks at first like a random attack on a dark street in the middle of the night. Only, she knows that he isn't the first victim.

Mia Johnstone has just turned eighteen. Ready for the next phase of her life, she should be looking forward to university, studying, partying. Instead, she's thinking about how her boyfriend Ben is the third person close to her to have died.

Alison believes that Mia killed her son.

Mia needs people to stop calling her a killer.

And someone is desperate for the truth to never come out...

Sales Points

- **COMMERCIAL WRITER AND PACKAGE:** This is Luca's third standalone thriller - previous titles have been police procedurals or horror.
- **INSTANT MARKET APPEAL:** Has all the elements to deliver commercial success: unreliable narrator, addictive, page-turning style, and a race against time that will keep the reader glued to the pages. It's a novel about secrets and lies, and the idea that an everyday, ordinary life can be shattered by one unexpected event.
- **CRIME-WRITING EXPERT:** Luca is very well known in the crime-writing community and gets huge support. He runs the Two Crime Writers and a Microphone podcast and is part of the Fun Lovin Crime Writers band with Val McDermid, Mark Billingham, Chris Brookmyre etc. He is excellent at events and festivals. He lives in Liverpool and knows the bookshops there very well. He recently created the Locked Up festival in conjunction with Waterstones: <https://www.waterstones.com/category/cultural-highlights/festivals/locked-up-festival>
- **LONG-LEAD CREATIVE CAMPAIGN:** We will announce this title once we have the cover and text ready and can post to Netgalley immediately, send out proofs, and engage Luca's existing readership to support. We will create extra assets, eg a landing page and author video etc. The author lives in the UK so will promote through the year and visit booksellers etc

Reviews

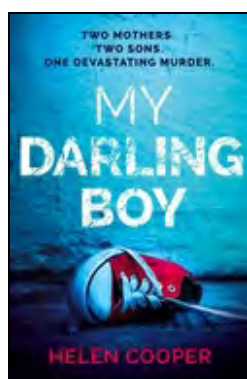
- **'Nerve-shredding'** - *DOUG JOHNSTONE*
- **'One of the best psychological thrillers I've read in years. Thought provoking, unsettling and compelling'** - *John Marrs*

Author Biography

Luca Veste is a writer of Italian and Liverpoolian heritage, married with two young daughters, and one of nine children. He studied psychology and criminology at university in Liverpool.

Market

For fans of Harlan Coben, Linwood Barclay and Peter James.



Publication date	Thursday, January 02, 2025
Price	£9.99 / ₹799
Main Identifier	9781399701129
BIC 2.1	Modern & contemporary fiction (post c 1945) (FA) Thriller / suspense (FH) Crime & mystery (FF)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	336 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); EU; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Book locale	UK
Author living in	Leicester, UK
CANADA, UNITED STATES Publisher	Putnam (Penguin Random House USA) * Publisher

Previous Titles

The Downstairs Neighbour, The Other Guest, The Couple in the Photo

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My Darling Boy

A gripping psychological thriller with a heart-stopping twist you won't see coming

Helen Cooper

Keynote

The latest heart-pounding thriller from Helen Cooper, with a heart-stopping twist

Description

The perfect night.

I had been so excited for our big New Year's Eve party. Hosting with my best friend **Alice** and our two beautiful boys - my **Leo** and her **Robbie**, who had grown up together like brothers.

A shocking death.

But then I heard the terrible crash. I remember the flashing lights of the ambulance and how everyone then turned on Leo. Saying that Robbie was dead because of my son.

Who is to blame?

The boys had argued, but Leo still won't tell me why. I know he's keeping a secret from me. I need to find out the truth, need to clear the name of my darling boy before something terrible happens to him, too.

But I also need to make sure no one finds out the truth about me...

Praise for Helen Cooper:

'An absolute must-read for all thriller fans: I LOVED it!' Sarah Bonner

'Will have you salivating for more' Mira V Shah

'Unrelenting tension' KL Slater

'Smart writing . . . so clever, so engaging' L.V. Matthews

'Gripping, teasing, intricately plotted' Cath Weeks

Sales Points

- **NEW NOVEL FROM A BRITISH TALENT:** Helen Cooper is based in Leicester, and follows up her first three novels, *The Downstairs Neighbour*, *The Other Guest* and *The Couple in the Photo* with this equally twisty, clever and dark thriller.
- **A PUBLISHING TREND:** *My Darling Boy* is perfect for fans of Lisa Jewell, Louise Candlish and Adele Parks - dark women's fiction with a domestic edge.

Reviews

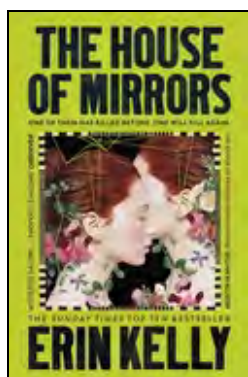
- "I was gripped by this beautifully, written, intricately plotted, tangle of secrets and lies. Bravo, Helen Cooper" - *Louise Jensen*
- 'Praise for Helen Cooper' - -
- 'Unrelenting tension' - *KL Slater*
- 'Smart writing . . . so clever, so engaging' - *L.V. Matthews*

Author Biography

Helen Cooper is from Derby and lives in Leicester. She has taught English and Academic Writing in both Further and Higher Education and was Head of Learning Enhancement at the University of Birmingham. She has an MA in Creative Writing from Nottingham Trent University and has been published in *Writers' Forum*, *Msllexia*, *Woman*, *the Bath Short Story Award Anthology* (2014) and the *Leicester Writes Short Story Prize Anthology* (2018).

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Main Identifier	9781399712002
BIC 2.1	Thriller / suspense (FH) Crime & mystery (FF) Fiction & related items (F)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	368 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); EU; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Book locale	London
Author born in	London
Author living in	London

Publishing History	
All titles published by Hodder.	

Previous Titles	
The Skeleton Key	
Watch Her Fall	
He Said/She Said	
The Poison Tree	

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The House of Mirrors unforgettable and gripping suspense from the author of He Said She Said

Erin Kelly

Keynote

A dark and suspenseful novel about deadly family secrets from the bestselling author of THE SKELETON KEY.

Description

'A bold, beautiful, sexy, full-throttle thriller: it is a gorgeous, creepy Gothic story for our times' NICCI FRENCH

**One of them has killed before.
One of them will kill again.**

In the sweltering summer of 1997, straight-laced, straight-A student Karen met Biba - a bohemian and impossibly glamorous aspiring actress. A few months later, two people were dead and another had been sent to prison.

Having stood by Rex as he served his sentence, Karen is now married to him with a daughter, Alice, who runs a vintage clothing company in London. They're a normal family, as long as they don't talk about the past, never mention the name Biba, and ignore Alice's flashes of dark, dangerous fury.

Karen has kept what really happened that summer of '97 hidden deep inside her. Alice is keeping secrets of her own. But when anonymous notes begin to arrive at Alice's shop, it seems the past is about to catch up with them all ...

'Delivers a white-knuckle ride as a murky past creeps up on the present. I don't think I took a breath until I found myself screaming my way through the crescendo' **ALICE SLATER**

'I love an Erin Kelly book! The worlds she creates are so rich and alive' **JANE FALLON**
'When it comes to deeply involving, twisty thrillers, Erin Kelly is in a league of her own. Possibly the finest thriller you'll read all year' **CHARLOTTE PHILBY**

'Quite simply one of the best crime writers around. *The House of Mirrors* is a totally absorbing story of family secrets, omissions and outright lies, with unforgettable characters and settings. It is impeccably plotted down to the very last line. I loved it' **JANE CASEY**

Sales Points

- Hodder has sold over a million copies of Erin's titles.
- Erin is a hugely respected voice in the crime-writing community and very pro-active re publicity.
- Erin is a hugely talented writer of psychological suspense and a focus author for us to build a brand.
- THE SKELETON KEY was selected as the Waterstones Thriller of the Month in September 2023.
- THE SKELETON KEY was a **SUNDAY TIMES top ten bestseller** in paperback and a **TIMES number one bestseller** as well.

Author Biography

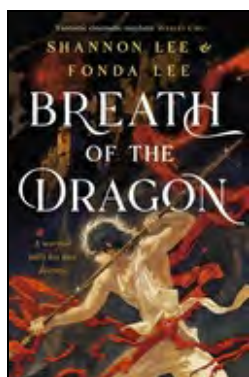
Erin Kelly is the *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *The Poison Tree*, *The Sick Rose*, *The Burning Air*, *The Ties That Bind*, *He Said/She Said*, *Stone Mothers/We Know You Know*, *Watch Her Fall*, *The Skeleton Key* and *The House of Mirrors*, as well as *Broadchurch: The Novel*, inspired by the mega-hit TV series. In 2013, *The Poison Tree* became a major ITV drama and was a Richard & Judy Summer Read in 2011. *He Said/She Said* spent six weeks in the top ten in both hardback and paperback, was longlisted for the Theakston's Old Peculier crime novel of the year award, and selected for both the Simon Mayo Radio 2 and Richard & Judy Book Clubs. *The Skeleton Key* was selected as a Waterstones Thriller of the Month in 2023, was a *Sunday Times* top ten bestseller and reached number one in the *Times* chart. Born in London in 1976, Erin lives in north London with her husband and daughters. erinkelly.co.uk twitter.com/mserinkelly

Market

for fans of Gillian McAllister, Nicci French and Lisa Jewell.

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Breath of the Dragon

Fonda Lee & Shannon Lee

Keynote

A young warrior dreams of proving his worth in the elite Guardian Tournament, fighting not only for himself but the fate of everything he loves in this breath-taking YA fantasy from award-winning author Fonda Lee.

Description

Sixteen-year-old Jun dreams of proving his worth as a warrior in the elite Guardian's Tournament, held every six years to entrust the magical Scroll of Heaven to a new protector. Eager to prove his skills, Jun hopes that a win will restore his father's pride - righting a horrible mistake that caused their banishment from his home, mother, and twin brother.

But Jun's father strictly forbids him from participating. He believes there is no future in Jun honing his skills as a warrior, especially considering Jun is not breathmarked, born with a patch of dragon scales and blessed with special abilities like his twin. Determined to be the next Guardian, Jun stows away in the wagon of Chang and his daughter, Ren, performers on their way to the capital where the tournament will take place.

As Jun competes, he quickly realizes he may be fighting for not just a better life, but the fate of the country itself and the very survival of everyone he cares about.

Reviews

- *'Breath of the Dragon is fantastic cinematic mayhem lovingly molded in a deadly martial world. The wisdom and philosophy of great Bruce Lee serve as a guiding hand in so many deep aspects of young Jun's journey. The Lees make a dynamic team!' - Wesley Chu, #1 New York Times bestseller*
- *'A perfect balance of Bruce Lee's inspiring philosophies, Shannon Lee's galvanizing execution, and Fonda Lee's masterful writing. As thrilling and cinematic as the best big-screen experience'*
' - F.C. Yee, New York Times bestselling author of Avatar, the Last Airbender: The Rise of Kyoshi and The Epic Crush of Genie Lo
- **'A stirring and stunning novel of fascinating imagination and filled with a true warrior spirit. A not to be missed adventure!' - S.A. Cosby, New York Times bestselling author of Razorblade Tears.**
- **'A tale in equal turns powerful and gripping, inspiring and meaningful, and with vividly cinematic combat scenes that felt like movie sequences. Lee and Lee have forged a new classic born of legacy and show themselves to be grandmasters of the martial arts genre' - Amélie Wen Zhao, New York Times and internationally bestselling author of the Song of the Last Kingdom duology**

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Price	£14.99/₹1,199
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BIC 2.1	Fantasy & magical realism (Children's / Teenage) (YFH) Adventure stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFC) Oriental martial arts (WSTM)
CBMC	E3N79
Age	12+ years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
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Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	352 pages
Word Count	
Series	Guardian of the Scroll
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BIC 2.1	Fantasy & magical realism (Children's / Teenage) (YFH) General fiction (Children's / Teenage) (YFB) Monsters & legendary beings (VXQM)
CBMC	E3N79
Age	12+ years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	368 pages
Word Count	
Series	City of Nightmares
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Not for Sale	Can; USA
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Author living in	Canada

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Cage of Dreams

Rebecca Schaeffer

Keynote

Chaos reigns over the City of Newham in the thrilling conclusion to the City of Nightmares duology, by critically acclaimed author Rebecca Schaeffer.

Description

All nightmares begin as dreams.

Ness used to be terrified of Nightmares: people who'd turned into their worst fears while they slept. She's finally free of that terror... but Nightmares aren't the only dangers around. Newham is a city where it's easy to die, but hard to live - and Ness fears her own mortality. So when the monster responsible for creating Nightmares asks Ness for a favor, she agrees - in exchange for him turning her into an indestructible Nightmare of her choice.

When things spiral out of control, Ness finds herself in the crosshairs of enemies old and new - and this time, she can't run from her problems. If she wants to survive, she's going to have to conquer the most difficult enemy of all: herself.

Sales Points

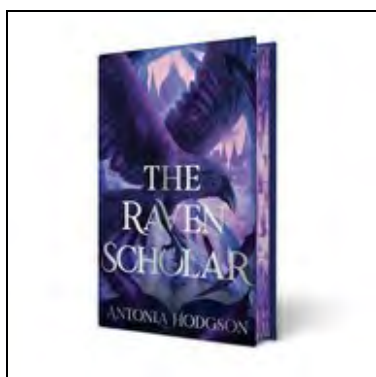
- **The Gotham-inspired, hilarious and propulsive sequel to *City of Nightmares*, an urban fantasy set in a city where crooked politicians and sinister cults reign and dreaming means waking up as your worst nightmare.**
- **Rebecca Schaeffer is the critically acclaimed author of *Not Even Bones* and its sequels - the Webtoon adaptation of which has over 100 million reads.**

Reviews

- **'PRAISE FOR REBECCA SCHAEFFER'**
- 'Rebecca Schaeffer delivers another dose of morally ambiguous, delightful chaos' - *Xiran Jay Zhao, New York Times bestselling author of Iron Widow*
- 'One of my favorite books of the year! Phenomenally fun, with a vivid, vicious world that's stuffed with monsters (both human and otherwise) and a heroine you'll root for. I absolutely loved it!' - *Sarah Beth Durst, award-winning author of THE QUEENS OF RENTHIA series*
- 'So much fun readers will stay up all night to finish it' - *Kirkus Reviews, starred review*

Author Biography

Rebecca Schaeffer is the critically acclaimed author of *Not Even Bones* and its sequels. The Webtoon adaptation of the trilogy has garnered over a hundred million reads and nearly 2 million subscribers.



The Raven Scholar

the masterfully woven and breathtaking epic adult fantasy of cutthroat competition and imperial deceit

Antonia Hodgson

Keynote

The first book in a masterful new epic adult fantasy trilogy, from an award-winning crime writer, perfect for fans of Robin Hobb and Hannah Kaner.

Description

It begins with a murder.

In the dizzying heat of mid-summer, eight contenders gather to compete for the emperor's throne. Then one of them is murdered.

It falls to the Raven contender, the brilliant but idiosyncratic Neema Kraa, to investigate. If she can solve the crime, she may gain the throne. If she fails, she will sentence herself to death.

Neema has just seven days to find the culprit, for if the Emperor does not relinquish power by the end of the eighth day, it will invite civil war.

And everyone knows that war could lead to the return of the True Eight: terrifying, godlike manifestations of the Empire's eight guardian animals.

No one really believes in this magical metaphor, though it lies at the heart of Orrun law. It couldn't really happen. Could it?

Sales Points

- **A MODERN FANTASY EPIC:** Perfect for fans of *Godkiller*, Raymond E. Feist, Robin Hobb, and Scott Lynch, this is a masterpiece of modern epic fantasy, with a richly drawn world, court politics, and the fate of nations - and the world - at stake, all drawn together by wry, powerful storytelling and an idiosyncratic, underdog heroine you cannot help but root for.
- **AWARD-WINNING BRITISH CRIME WRITER:** Antonia Hodgson is an award-winning crime writer (she won the CWA Historical Dagger with *The Devil in the Marshalsea*) who is turning her knack for thrilling, tightly plotted fiction to epic fantasy.

Author Biography

Novelist, screenwriter, adapter and former publisher Antonia Hodgson has written four acclaimed historical novels. Her first novel, *The Devil in the Marshalsea*, won the CWA Historical Dagger 2014 and was shortlisted for the Theakston's Crime Novel of the Year, the John Creasey Dagger for Best First Novel and the HWA Debut Crown. It was also a Richard & Judy and Waterstones Book Club selection. Her second historical book, *The Last Confession of Thomas Hawkins*, was published in 2015 to widespread critical acclaim. However, fantasy has always been her first love and she is now writing the first book in an epic trilogy. Antonia was born and grew up in Derby and studied English at the University of Leeds. She lives in London.

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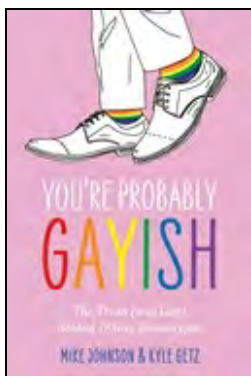
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BIC 2.1	Gay studies (Gay men) (JFSK2) Self-help & personal development (VS) Sex & sexuality, sex manuals (VFVC) Gay & Lesbian studies (JFSK)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	216x138 (5.43x8.5")
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Extent	192 pages
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Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
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You're Probably Gayish The Truth (and Lies) Behind 17 Gay Stereotypes

Mike Johnson and Kyle Getz

Keynote

A breakdown and debunking of 17 classic gay stereotypes, based on a hit podcast

Description

What if I don't know how to "do stuff" all the other gays can do? What if I don't know the name of that gay Netflix movie? What if I'm not obsessed with Jennifer Coolidge like everyone else? Am I really bad at being gay?

While being gay has become more socially and legally acceptable, there's a specific kind of gay that's most accepted. He's hot, jacked, white, loves iced coffee, watches Drag Race, and has a service job but somehow travels to Palm Springs every summer,

In this book, Kyle and Mike aim to break down the most prolific gay stereotypes in popular discourse - drawing on personal experience, up-to-date research, social history and maybe even Wikipedia to demonstrate first-hand how we're all a mixture of gay and straight stereotypes. So - whether you're gay or not - you're probably gayish...

Sales Points

- Based on a popular, award-winning podcast: *Gayish* has over 54 million all time downloads, and is a two-time winner of Best LGBTQ+ Podcast at the PopCon Podcast Awards.
- Proven success of similar podcast-to-book adaptations: *Sounds Fake But Okay* 9781839970016, a guide to ace and aro identity based on a hit podcast, has sold over 4800 copies since 2023.
- Accessible, humorous take on a serious topic: the book is split into 17 stereotypes that make it highly readable and easy to navigate, and the strong comedic voice makes this an enjoyable, low-demand read.

Author Biography

Kyle Getz is a writer, poet, and co-host of the *Gayish* podcast. His poetry microchapbook, "gays don't poop" was published by giallo in 2021. Kyle's writing has been published in The Authentic Gay and Queer Insider, The James Franco Review, and more, and he has read their work in public showcases including Artist Trust's Literary EDGE Showcase and Gay City's Mosaic Mirrored Showcase. Kyle is based in Seattle.

Mike Johnson is a recognized expert in the field of diversity, equity, and inclusion, having been named as the Global 2022 TMP Equality Champion for Salesforce, as well as the co-host of the *Gayish* podcast. With a background in public speaking and performance, Mike holds educational sessions on LGBTQ+ issues in cities throughout the world, and is also a semi-professional musician. Mike is based in Seattle

Market

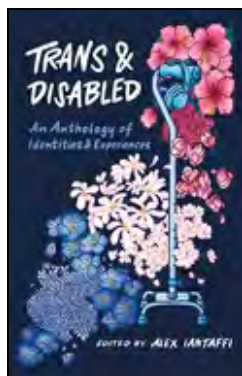
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Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	216x138 (5.43x8.5")
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Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
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Trans and Disabled An Anthology of Identities and Experiences

Edited by Alex Iantaffi (Edited By Alex Iantaffi)

Keynote

Ground-breaking anthology of writing on the intersection of disability and gender identity from trans disabled writers.

Description

To be trans and disabled means to have experienced harassment, discrimination, loneliness, often poverty, to have struggled with feeling unworthy of love.

To be trans and disabled means experiencing ableism within our trans communities and transphobia within our disabled communities.

To be trans and disabled means to love our fellow trans and disabled people harder than we could ever love ourselves.

This anthology brings together vulnerable stories, poems, plays, drawings, and personal essays. They explore how we make sense of ourselves, our intersections of identities and experiences, of how we are treated, and how much love we are capable of, sometimes even for ourselves.

Sales Points

- Groundbreaking - first anthology of its kind to focus specifically on transness and disability
- Expert author: Alex Iantaffi is a renowned name in both trans and disability justice spheres
- Prize contender - Similar anthologies - *Non-Binary Lives* and *Written on the Body* - were Lambda Literary Award Finalists

Author Biography

Alex Iantaffi, PhD, MS, SEP, CST, CST-S, LMFT (they/he/lui) is an award-winning author, family therapist, WPATH certified gender specialist, AASECT certified sex therapist, Somatic Experiencing® practitioner, and clinical supervisor. Alex is currently President of the Minnesota Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (MAMFT) and Past Chair of the Trans and Queer interest network of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (AAMFT). They were the recipient of the 2023 AASECT Humanitarian Award, the 2019 MAMFT Distinguished Service Award, the 2013 Twin Cities Deaf Pride Community Organization Award, the 2012 Breaking the Silence Award at the University of Minnesota, and the 2000 Best Dissertation Award from the British Educational Research Association. Alex has researched, presented and published extensively on gender, disability, sexuality, relationships, and HIV. They are a trans masculine, nonbinary, bi queer, neurodivergent, disabled, Italian immigrant who has been living on Dakota and Anishinaabe territories, currently known as Minnesota (US) since 2008. Alex is the author of "Gender Trauma: healing cultural, social, and historical gendered trauma", which was awarded the Nautilus award (gold category) in 2022 and the AASECT Book Award for Sexuality Professionals in 2023. They are the co-author of the books "How to Understand Your Gender: a practical guide for exploring who you are", "Life Isn't Binary", "Hell Yeah Self-Care: a Trauma-Informed Workbook", "How To Understand Your Sexuality: a practical guide for exploring who you are" and the upcoming "How to Understand Your Relationships" with Meg-John Barker. They also host the podcast Gender Stories. You can find out more about them at www.alexiantaffi.com or follow them on Instagram @xtaffi, @genderstories and @edginghearts

Market

- Trans and disabled people
- Professionals including counsellors, therapists, healthcare practitioners



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How to Understand Your Relationships A Practical Guide

Alex Iantaffi and Meg-John Barker

Keynote

The ultimate guide to exploring and understanding how relationships work to help readers navigate, structure and identify their intimate relationships, their relationship to themselves and the world around them.

Description

'Profound and vulnerable. An essential gift for all of us that relate' - Anne Mauro

What do we mean when we say 'relationship'?

How do we separate our needs and desires from norms and expectations?

How can we approach our relationships with mutuality, care and compassion?

This down-to-earth guide is the ultimate companion for anybody who wants to examine their place in the world -- how we relate to ourselves, and others.

With considerations of historical, cultural, and developmental contexts; explorations of relationship diversity as it manifests in queerness, the ace and aro spectrum, non-monogamy and neurodivergence ; and a look towards deeper, compassionate, interdependent ways to relate - this book will help people of all ages, backgrounds and identities explore their relational world.

Sales Points

- Follow up to the bestselling *How to Understand Your Gender*, and *How to Understand Your Sexuality*
- Growing interest in alternative relationship styles - real demand for this inclusive, exploratory guide
- Written by two expert authors, who have published extensively on sex, gender and relationships.

Author Biography

Meg-John (MJ) Barker (they/them) is a writer, zine-maker, collaborator, contemplative practitioner, creative mentor, and friend. They are the author of a number of popular books on sex, gender, and relationships, including graphic guides to *Queer, Gender, and Sexuality*, *How To Understand Your Gender and Sexuality*, *Life Isn't Binary*, *Enjoy Sex* (How, When, and IF You Want To), *Rewriting the Rules*, and *Hell Yeah Self Care*. They also publish zines, comics, and free books on themes including plurality, trauma, consent, and creativity.

Alex Iantaffi has been a therapist for over a decade, and a scholar for two decades. They have published work on gender sexuality, relationship, and disabilities for a broad range of audiences, both academic, and more general. Alex was the Editor in Chief of the *Journal of Sexual and Relationship Therapy* for eleven years. They teach gender, sexuality, counselling skills, sex therapy and family therapy to both graduate and undergraduate students. Alex is a skilful presenter, and accessible writer, able to translate complex academic ideas into readable content. They co-authored *How to Understand Your Gender*, *Life Isn't Binary*, and *Self-Care: Your Workbook* with Meg-John Barker, as well as contributing several chapters to a wide range of books, as well as having published extensively in peer reviewed journals.

Market

General reader, with a focus towards those who are already thinking about relationships in relation to their own identities and experiences. Strong trans/queer market as a lot of the time they lean towards non-monogamy or different relationship structures. Should also appeal to professionals, such as teachers, educators, counsellors and therapists working with relationship-diverse people as well as general couples/marriage counselling.



Wide Open Spaces A Wellbeing Journal for Parents of Neurodiverse Children

Louise Fearn

Keynote

A healing journal for parents of neurodiverse children focusing on refuelling, self-regulation and real self-care.

Description

If you could find a way to reconnect with your true self, would you?

And if you could understand your own needs and practise the sort of comforting and energising, hits-the-spot self-care that would power you through the ups and downs of parenting in a neurodiverse family, would you be tempted to explore that too?

This journal provides a warm sense of community where you will feel completely held as you discover how to regulate and centre yourself and how to enliven your life beyond your role as a parent or carer through journaling prompts and imaginative activities designed specifically for this parenting experience.

Kind, insightful and uplifting, *Wide Open Spaces* also unpacks how you can come to understand your child's dysregulated behaviours and communicate in a way that makes your life easier. It leads you, cheerily, in the direction of peace and a more balanced and fulfilled family life.

Sales Points

- Uniquely designed for struggling parents instead of general well-being like other journals on the market.
- Journal-style questions help the reader navigate their own overwhelm and discover and meet their own needs.
- Lived-experience author who understands what busy parents need.

Author Biography

Louise Fearn is a writer and meditation teacher with a background in social work. She also works as a sense of self facilitator and is the parent of two neurodiverse children.

Market

Parents of neurodiverse children.

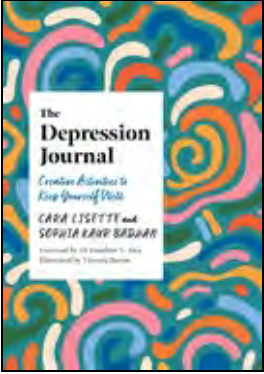
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Main Identifier	9781805013013
BIC 2.1	Autism & Asperger's Syndrome (MJNA)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	216x138 (5.43x8.5")
Depth	26mm
Extent	272 pages
Word Count	50000 words
Illustrations	39 black and white illustrations
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
Book locale	N/A
Author born in	N/A
Author living in	Exeter, UK
1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher
Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
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Price	£14.99/ ₹1,199
Main Identifier	9781805014119
BIC 2.1	Coping with illness & specific conditions (VFJB)
Binding Format	Trade Paperback 246x173 (6.8x9.7")
Depth	14mm
Extent	144 pages
Word Count	9962 words
Illustrations Series	B&W illustrations Creative Journals for Mental Health, Cara Lisette's Creative Journals for Mental Health
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
Author living in	Cara Lisette - Southampton, UK Sophia Kaur Badhan- West Midlands UK

Previous Titles
Cara Lisette:
The Eating Disorder Recovery Journal, April 2022, 3,163 copies, 9781839970856
The Bipolar Disorder Journal, June 2023, 368 copies, 9781839977817
The OCD Recovery Journal, March 2024, 288 copies, 9781805010951
The Anxiety Recovery Journal, May 2024, 230 copies, 9781805010791

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher
Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
Large print	Refer to Publisher
Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Refer to Publisher
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The Depression Journal

Creative Activities to Keep Yourself Well

Cara Lisette and Sophia Kaur Badhan (Illustrated By Victoria Barron)

Keynote

A creative journal to support adults and young adults with depression from blogger and CBT therapist Cara Lisette and mental health advocate Sophia Kaur Badhan.

Description

The Depression Recovery Journal is designed to support you in managing and understanding your low mood. Drawing on evidence-based techniques, such as CBT, and on the authors' professional and lived experience, it features helpful journaling prompts, creative activities, and beautiful colouring pages to help you spot early warning signs, communicate better with others and develop coping strategies to improve your wellbeing.

Created by CBT therapist Cara Lisette and mental health advocate Sophia Kaur Badhan, the activities in this journal will help you better understand your experiences of depression and motivate you through difficult days towards living a full and happy life.

Sales Points

- Globally it is estimated that 5% of adults have depression.
- New journal in a successful series. The *Eating Disorder Recovery Journal* has sold over 3,100 copies to date.
- Cara Lisette has over 52k followers across Twitter and Instagram (@CaraLisette) and over 270k views on her mental health blog. Sophia Kaur Badhan is a recipient of The Diana Award 2019, which is the highest accolade a young person can receive for their humanitarian work and social action. She is also a recipient of the British Citizen Award from the UK Government for her services to Healthcare.
- Includes colouring pages by Victoria Barron, an illustrator with 13k Instagram followers.

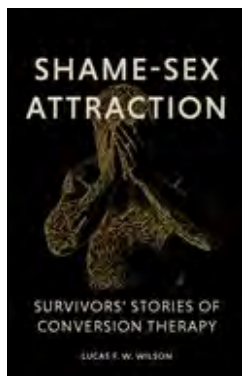
Author Biography

Cara Lisette is a mental health blogger (caras-corner.com) and campaigner, a registered mental health nurse and CBT therapist. She is author of The Eating Disorder Recovery Journal, The Bipolar Disorder Journal, the OCD Recovery Journal and. Find Cara on X: @CaraLisette

Sophia Kaur Badhan is an award-winning mental health activist and speaker. Sophia is a recipient of The Diana Award 2019, which is the highest accolade a young person can receive for their humanitarian work and social action. She is also a recipient of the British Citizen Award from the UK Government for her services to Healthcare.

Market

Adults and young adults with depression.



Shame-Sex Attraction Survivors' Stories of Conversion Therapy

Lucas Wilson

Keynote

A collection of stories about anti-gay conversion therapy from those who have survived it.

Description

We are survivors.

We were subjected to dehumanizing practices by people who sought our erasure.

We believe telling our stories is both powerful and political.

This edited collection brings together the experiences of those who have been subjected to queer conversion therapy - it is an effort to expose conversion practices for what they are - pseudoscientific, bogus, ineffective, and wildly traumatic - and to recognise and listen to survivors. With contributions from Gregory Elsassier-Chavez, Chaim J. Levin, Lexie Bean, Syre Klenke, and many more from across the LGBTQ+ spectrum - this is an attempt to ensure that what happened within these pages cannot - and will not - happen to future generations.

Sales Points

- First of its kind: Stories of conversion therapy have never been brought together in a collection like this before
- Critically important topic: Amplifying the narratives of survivors is crucial to the ongoing fight to ban conversion therapy
- Expert author - Lucas Wilson is well-published in North America on this topic
- High profile contributors: Syre Klenke (8k Instagram followers), Tyler Krumland (7k TikTok), Lexie Bean (acclaimed artist and on the leadership council of RAInn)

Author Biography

Lucas Wilson is an activist, academic and survivor of conversion therapy. Luke has written for about conversion therapy for The Advocate, Queerty, LGBTQ Nation, The Chronicle of Higher Education, Religion Dispatches, Into, RVA Magazine, and Whosoever, and is currently on a Justice Canada-funded Conversion Therapy Ban Advisory Committee through Wisdom2Action.

Market

LGBTQIA+ adults including survivors and activists

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BIC 2.1 **Gay & Lesbian studies (JFSK)
Human rights (JPVH)
Social discrimination & inequality (JFFJ)**

Binding **Trade Paperback**
Format **216x138 (5.43x8.5")**

Depth **20mm**

Extent **192 pages**

Word Count **46000 words**

Exclusively for Sale **UK; World**

Not for Sale **None**

Author living in **Canada**

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2nd Serial **Refer to Publisher**

Audio **Refer to Publisher**

Dramatisation and documentary **Refer to Publisher**

Electronic **Refer to Publisher**

Film and TV **Refer to Publisher**

Large print **Refer to Publisher**

Podcast **Refer to Publisher**

Translation **Refer to Publisher**

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

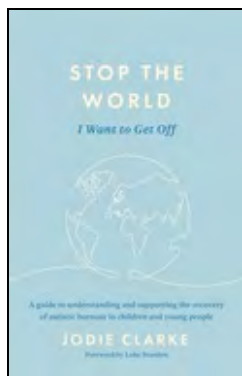
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Price	£14.99/ ₹1,199
Main Identifier	9781805012559
BIC 2.1	Autism & Asperger's Syndrome (MJNA) Advice on parenting (VFX) Coping with disability (VFJD)
Binding Format	Trade Paperback 216x138 (5.43x8.5")
Depth	16mm
Extent	160 pages
Word Count	35000 words
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None

Previous Titles

Clarke & Smitten: The Secret Life of Rose, August 2024 (9781805010425)

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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Stop the World I Want to Get Off

A guide to understanding and supporting the recovery of autistic burnout in children and young people

Jodie Clarke

Keynote

A guide to autistic burnout in children and young people from renowned autistic autism consultant and researcher Jodie Clarke.

Description

With mental health crisis in autistic young people on the rise we need to accept that Living as an autistic person in a world that doesn't cater to your needs is exhausting at best and harmful at worst.

Autistic burnout is a common experience for autistic children and young people. This book, authored by a neurodivergent practitioner with firsthand experience as both an autism parent and researcher, delves into the recognition and management of burnout. It offers parents and professionals practical strategies to prevent autistic burnout and provides guidance on supporting those already in distress.

For every child that has been forced into school in pyjamas, for every parent blamed for their child's non-attendance, for every professional who wants to learn more and for every young person traumatized by those who thought they knew best-this book is for you.

Sales Points

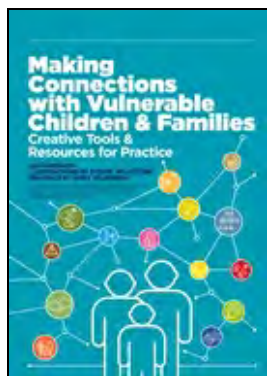
- 1. Well-known author: Jodie Clarke has successfully published *The Secret Life of Rose* with her daughter, Rose Smitten (now in a new edition with JKP)
- Much-needed topic: around 69% of autistic individuals self-report at least one experience of autistic burnout (Measuring and validating autistic burnout - Mantzalas - 2024 - Autism Research - Wiley Online Library)
- Strong lived experience angle: author is a neurodivergent parent of neurodivergent children so can speak with authority and insight.

Author Biography

Jodie Clarke is a practitioner working with neurodivergent children and their families, who also offers training in autism and ADHD. Jodie holds a MA Autism (with a focus on autistic masking) and is the co-author of *The Secret Life of Rose* alongside her daughter, which helps young children explore their autistic experience (a second edition is due with JKP in 2024). Jodie is a undertaking a PhD in education carrying out research into autistic burnout in children and young people. Jodie is parent to neurodivergent children, and is neurodivergent herself.

Market

Parents of autistic children and young people; educators.



Publication date	Tuesday, January 21, 2025
Price	£29.99 / ₹2,450
Main Identifier	9781787757943
BIC 2.1	Social work (JKSN) Child welfare (JKSB1) Child abuse (JFFE1)
Binding Format	Trade Paperback 297x210 (8.25x11.67")
Extent	256 pages
Word Count	105000 words
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None

Previous Titles

Horwath, *The Child's World 3rd Edition*, Dec 2018 (9781785921162) 3387 copies

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
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Making Connections with Vulnerable Children and Families Creative Tools and Resources for Practice

Jan Horwath (Illustrated By Stevie Wilkinson)

Keynote

A rich resource of adaptable, downloadable practical tools and activities to assist practitioners in establishing relationships and engage with families to improve outcomes for vulnerable children.

Description

Making Connections with Vulnerable Children and Families is the practical go-to resource for practitioners looking to build effective relationships and engage meaningfully with vulnerable children and their families.

Compiled by Jan Horwath, lead editor of the bestselling child protection handbook *The Child's World*, the text features a wealth of clear, user-friendly, creative materials. The tools draw on evidence-based research and have been developed and tested by frontline practitioners from a range of disciplines working in Rochdale. Each tool includes a practice example as well as detail about aims, method, things to think about and possible adaptations. The tools can be used in a variety of work settings and the downloadable, versatile resources are all designed to support a relational approach to practice.

These tools will help you establish relationships with both children and their primary carers, understand their lived experience and the impact of this on the health and well-being of the child or adolescent. Additional tools are included for use with parents and primary carers to explore parenting capacity and the socio-economic factors that influence family life.

Sales Points

- **PURPOSE** - a professional tool for all child protection workers to help them with a core professional area of practice - engaging with and assessing vulnerable children and families.
- **MARKET SIZE** - There are approximately 105.4 thousand people employed as social workers in the United Kingdom.
- **INNOVATIVE** - Draws in experience and practice pioneered during the pandemic to offer tools and techniques fit for purpose for current blended remote and face-to-face working environments.
- Provides tool for communicating with both children and parents (particularly those difficult to engage).
- - Activities and tools are accessible via the JKP website downloadable to a phone or tablet either in black and white or colour.

Author Biography

Jan Horwath is Emeritus Professor of Child Welfare at the University of Sheffield and child welfare consultant. She is lead editor of the bestselling child protection handbook *The Child's World*, now in its 3rd edition, as well as key texts on child neglect. She has developed systems and practice frameworks nationally and internationally, that places the lived experience of the child and their carers at the heart of decision-making.

Stevie Wilkinson qualified with BA (Hons) in Graphic Design, specialising in illustration and has illustrated numerous publications and books.

Andy Wilkinson qualified with BA (Hons) in Graphic Design and worked as a graphic designer for 42 years for advertising and PR agencies

Market

Primary: Child protection workers across children's services - Particularly social workers
Secondary: Nurses, teachers, child counsellors/therapist with responsibility for safeguarding.



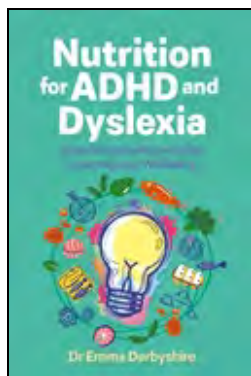
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BIC 2.1	Dietetics & nutrition (MBNH3) Mental health services (MBPK) Teaching of students with specific learning difficulties / needs (JNSG)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	229x152 (6x9")
Extent	256 pages
Word Count	50000 words
Illustrations	12 black and white figures
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
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Nutrition for ADHD and Dyslexia

Unlocking the Potential for Learning and Wellbeing

Emma Derbyshire

Keynote

A reader-friendly guide to the role of nutrition in ADHD and dyslexia

Description

Having ADHD or dyslexia can mean your brain is often working overtime - and nutrition can play a vital role in supporting the brain to function at its best.

Dr. Emma Derbyshire takes a practical, neurodiversity-affirmative approach to optimising ADHD and dyslexic diets for emotional regulation and mental performance. Chapters cover: key vitamins and common deficiencies, probiotics and the gut-brain axis; the role of Omega-3 and fatty acids; managing sensory seekers and fussy eaters - as well as sleep, anxiety and processing power.

With recipes, case studies and clear take-home pointers, this is an accessible, wide-ranging primer for supporting ADHD and dyslexic brain health.

Sales Points

- Expert author: Dr. Emma Derbyshire is widely published in this field
- Holistic approach: takes into consideration both academic performance and mental health and wellbeing
- Practical and accessible: the recipes and take-home pointers make this a low-demand read for parents/neurodiverse adults, and gives it broad appeal

Author Biography

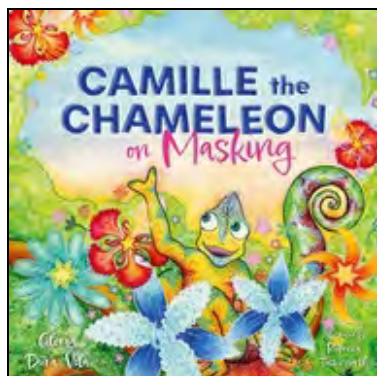
Dr Emma Derbyshire has a degree in Nutritional Biochemistry, PhD in Human Nutrition specialising in Maternal Nutrition and is a Registered Public Health Nutritionist. Emma is an established scientist, avid writer, and presenter. She is currently the UK lead on publications related to the brain nutrient 'choline'.

Market

Parents, Young people and individuals with ADHD/dyslexia - There are around 2.6million people in the UK with ADHD and 6.8 million with dyslexia, Professionals/tutors working in the field.

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CBMC	B5M69
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Picture Book
Character	Character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	245x245
Extent	40 pages
Word Count	3500 words
Illustrations	Fully illustrated colour picture book
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
Book locale	N/A
Author born in	N/A
Author living in	London, UK

Previous Titles

Durà-Vila, *The Panda on PDA: A Children's Introduction to Pathological Demand Avoidance*, July 2022 (978 1 83997 006 1) 4,033 copies sold

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
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Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
Large print	Refer to Publisher
Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Jessica Kingsley Publishers
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher

Camille the Chameleon on Masking How to stop masking and discover your awesome autistic self

Gloria Dura-Vila (Illustrated By Rebecca Tatternorth)

Keynote

Learn from Camille the Chameleon why it's always best to let your true autistic colours shine through in this beautifully illustrated picture book for autistic children aged 6+.

Description

Hi! I am Camille, the Chameleon. I'm very proud to say that, like you, I am autistic.

I have amazing talents but I'm also very good at camouflaging my difficulties and the trouble is that I don't let my true autistic colours shine through.

Do you want to find out how to really be yourself? With the help of Dr Glòria, I will share my story with you, and the stories of some other amazing autistic children too!"

This gentle and beautifully-illustrated picture book helps children understand what it means to mask, why this is bad for you, and the joy that is to be found when you can share and celebrate your true self.

Sales Points

- This book uniquely addresses masking *before* it becomes more damaging for Autistic children, with no materials currently available for this age range on masking.
- Beautifully hand-illustrated by Rebecca Tatternorth.
- Non-gendered appealing to a wide audience whereas most masking books are targeted at autistic girls.
- Author is a multi-award-winning clinician, academic and a renowned national and international expert in the field of Autism.

Author Biography

Dr Glòria Durà-Vila is a multi-award winning consultant child and adolescent psychiatrist, author, and lecturer. She works in private practice (psychiatryinlondon.co.uk) and in the Surrey and Borders NHS Trust where she is Medical Lead for ASD. Her passion for communicating the Autism diagnosis to children in a personalised way, one that captures their strengths and difficulties within the Autism Spectrum, is central to her writing and her academic and clinical work.

Glòria was twice runner-up in the National Autistic Society's Autism Professionals Awards and was awarded a Clinical Excellence Award in 2018 and a triple Clinical Excellence Award in 2020 for her NHS work in Autism

Market

Children aged 6-10, their parents and the professionals supporting them.



Publication date	Tuesday, January 21, 2025
Price	£12.99/₹1,050
Main Identifier	9781805013068
BIC 2.1	Gender studies: transsexuals & hermaphroditism (JFSJ5) Jewish studies (JFSR1) Religion & beliefs: general interest (Children's / Teenage) (YNR) Gender studies, gender groups (JFSJ)
Binding	Hardback
Format	245 x 245mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	1000 words
Illustrations	15 full-color illustrations of various sizes
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
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Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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Just Like Queen Esther

Kerry Olitzky and Ari Moffic (Illustrated By Rena Yehuda Newman)

Keynote

A book for Jewish trans children about the holiday of Purim, Queen Esther, and revealing one's true identity to others.

Description

Atara loves to wear her crown - to the library, to the dentist, even to her swim lessons. It gives her confidence, and shows the world that she is a girl, not a boy, like everyone thought at first. But when Atara reads the story of Queen Esther, on the Jewish holiday of Purim - she realises that you don't need a costume to express who you really are...

Sales Points

- Underpublished area: there are very few books aimed specifically at transgender Jewish kids
- Expert authors: Kerry Olitzky is renowned in the US as a Jewish thought leader (voted one of the leading 50 rabbis in North America), whilst Ari Moffic is an ordained rabbi with lived experience parenting a trans child.
- Beautiful illustrations by a queer Jewish illustrator make this an engaging read for young children

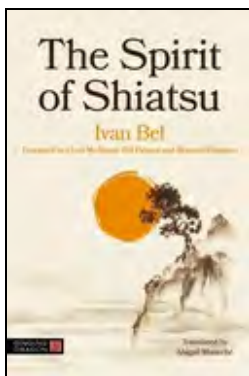
Author Biography

Rabbi Kerry Olitzky is an author and educator, and was voted by Newsweek as one of the leading 50 rabbis in North America. His most recent children's books include *Where's the Potty on this Ark?* and *The Littlest Candle: A Hanukkah Story*, as well as 10 animated preschool stories on the JiTap platform. Kerry is based in the New York area.

Ari Moffic is a Jewish educator and has published articles in the field of interfaith families, as well as education for neurodiverse children. She is raising a transgender child which she has written about in various Anglo-Jewish publications, such as Kveller, eJewishPhilanthropy, and Sh'ma. Ari holds an MA in Jewish education and was ordained a rabbi at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. Ari is based in Illinois.

Market

3+ children who are both Jewish and transgender, parents, teachers



Publication date **Tuesday, January 21, 2025**
 Price **£26.99 / ₹2,199**
 Main Identifier **9781839978975**
 BIC 2.1 **Complementary therapies, healing & health (VXH) Traditional medicine & herbal remedies (VXHT)**

Binding **Trade Paperback**
 Format **229x152 (6x9")**
 Extent **336 pages**
 Word Count **100000 words**
 Illustrations **38**
 Exclusively for Sale **UK; World**
 Not for Sale **None**

Author living in **Sarajevo**

1st Serial **Refer to Publisher**

2nd Serial **Refer to Publisher**

Audio **Refer to Publisher**

Dramatisation and documentary **Refer to Publisher**

Electronic **Refer to Publisher**

Film and TV **Refer to Publisher**

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The Spirit of Shiatsu

Ivan Bel. Forewords by Chris McAlister and Bill Palmer.

Keynote

A complete manual on the philosophical, founding principles of Shiatsu and their practical applications.

Description

Going beyond the practical technicalities, this in-depth manual delves into the founding principles and philosophy of Shiatsu on a technical, cultural, energetic, and conceptual level.

Split into three parts and based on two decades of international experience, Ivan Bel first returns to the basic technical principles of Shiatsu, then explores the complexities of the person-centred mind/body theory behind the practice, and gradually expands into the philosophical elements of natural health.

Concepts and questions that are often excluded from practical Shiatsu resources are carefully explained, including inner cleaning and purification, linking energy, and the impact an individual's environment can have on their health. Enriched with case studies and comprehensive yet accessible language, this is ideal for both Shiatsu students and practitioners.

In exploring the 'why' as well as the 'how', this must-have resource allows teachers and students to expand their knowledge and awareness for a more complete and flexible understanding of this ancient discipline.

Sales Points

- This book has already been published in French by Chariot d'Or publishers and sold over 1000 copies in under a year.
- Author has over 20 years of clinical experience.
- Strong potential for further course adoption in English speaking territories.
- Recommended by many French schools as a textbook for students.

Reviews

- 'This is a fascinating book. I am impressed by how Ivan Bel draws on his rich experience in martial arts, Shiatsu, meditation, Asian language and culture to describe in detail and with great enthusiasm the basics, concepts and philosophy of Shiatsu from the perspective of its traditional Japanese roots. As with the martial arts, he calls for humility and technical mastery in Shiatsu as a lifelong training that challenges and slowly realigns the whole person. No matter where you come from in Shiatsu and whether you agree with Ivan or not: read this book! Your view on Shiatsu will be different afterwards.' - Wilfried Rappenecker MD, author of Atlas of Shiatsu and Founder of the European Shiatsu Congress ESC

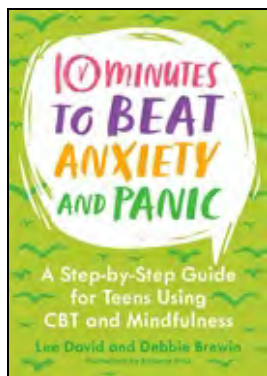
Author Biography

Born in 1971, Ivan Bel grew up on the shores of the Atlantic Ocean, giving him a lifelong love of sailing and distant horizons. At the age of 13, he took up the martial arts with aikido and karate, and never stopped, moving on to numerous Japanese and Chinese disciplines. After studying journalism and Chinese language and civilisation in Paris, he travelled extensively in Asia, even taking the Silk Road from Paris to Beijing by car. As he travelled along the martial arts path, he came across the one of Shiatsu, which became his passion and he studied it for 12 years. Today he is the editor-in-chief of the biggest blog on the subject with more than 10.000 readers per month, he is also a practitioner, international teacher and founder of an NGO promoting Shiatsu in Africa.

Market

Primary market: Shiatsu practitioners and students

Secondary market: Energy practitioners of all kinds (geobiologist, bioenergetician, reiki, seiki, etc.) Acupuncturists who like to work with their hands, massage therapists and bodyworkers, Aikido practitioners, as there are many connections between Shiatsu and Japanese martial arts.



10 Minutes to Beat Anxiety and Panic A Step-by-Step Guide for Teens Using CBT and Mindfulness

Lee David and Debbie Brewin (Illustrated By Rebecca Price)

Keynote

10-minute steps and activities to overcome anxiety and panic for teens, from the authors of 10 Minutes to Better Mental Health

Description

What can you really do in 10 minutes? You could make a sandwich, take a shower, or maybe dance around to three of your favourite songs, and now, with this book, you can learn to beat anxiety.

No matter how busy or stressful your day, with 10-minute steps and quick exercises, you can better understand and manage your experiences of anxiety and panic. It includes sections to read, questions to reflect on, and things to try out in your everyday life. The book covers everything from surviving panic attacks and negative self-talk to dealing with common anxieties, including health anxiety and social anxiety. Using evidence-based therapies such as CBT and ACT, this book will help you take a problem-solving approach to your worries, escape toxic thought spirals, treat yourself kindly, and get the best out of life!

Sales Points

- Timely: Mental health professionals are seeing increased demand for support for teens with anxiety as a result of the pandemic. In a recent survey, 56% of young people reported always or often feeling anxious
- Accessible: bitesize '10 minute' approach is ideal for short attention spans and anyone struggling with concentration and motivation.
- Strongly networked authors: Authors will promote the book through their own professional channels with a mailing list of over 2000 health professionals
- Follows the success of *10 Minutes to Better Mental Health* (March 2022) which has sold over 2,500 copies to date.

Author Biography

Lee David is a GP and CBT therapist and the author of *Using CBT in General Practice*. She is the founder and director of the organisation 10 Minute CBT, which provides education and training for health professionals working in adult and adolescent mental health. She has authored multiple books about CBT and personal wellbeing and regularly gives conference presentations and workshops providing training for practitioners.

Debbie Brewin is a CBT therapist, trainer, supervisor and occupational therapist with a special interest in personal growth and confidence in young people. She has developed courses for an employment support charity and has written several therapist manuals for behaviour change research programmes focussed on mental health and physical activity. Debbie has trained GPs and health professionals in the UK, Norway and Iceland and continues to work freelance.

Market

Teens and young adults, ages 13+. Secondary market of therapists, healthcare professionals, schools (teachers, school counsellors), social workers, counsellors, parents and carers.

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Series **10 Minutes to Better Mental Health**

Exclusively for Sale **UK; World**
Not for Sale **None**

Author living in **Epsom, UK**

Previous Titles

Lee David and Debbie Brewin, *10 Minutes to Better Mental Health: A Step-by-Step Guide for Teens Using CBT and Mindfulness*, March 2022, 9781787755567, 2677 copies

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Binding	Trade Paperback
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Depth	226mm
Extent	224 pages
Word Count	30152 words
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Not for Sale	None

Previous Titles

Lola Phoenix, *The Anxious Person's Guide to Non-Monogamy*, June 222, (9781839972133), 11,310 copies

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The Non-Monogamy Journal 90+ Scenarios and Questions to Define Boundaries and Make Polyamory Work for You

Lola Phoenix

Keynote

A journal with written activities and prompts to better understand your needs and preferences in non-monogamy.

Description

Finding what works for you in non-monogamy is highly personal and contextual - it can be tricky to know where your own boundaries lie. Quite often, we don't know we want a boundary somewhere, until it has already been crossed. This journal is designed to help you explore and anticipate potential needs and conflicts - perhaps before they've even arisen!

Within these pages are dozens of scenarios to explore, themed around Boundaries, Structure, Emotions, Compromises, Sexuality and Infidelity. With topics that include meeting and managing metamours, beginning relationships with infidelity, cowpoking, sexual health, One Penis Policies, compersion, first nights together - and so many more - this is the perfect companion for working out your own unique approach to non-monogamy.

Sales Points

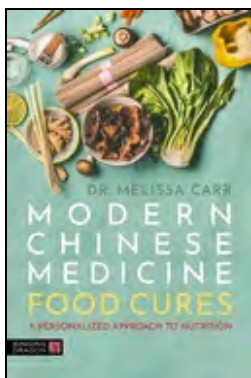
- Follow-up to a bestselling work: *The Anxious Person's Guide to Non-Monogamy* (9781839972133) has sold over 11,000 copies since 2022.
- Under-published area: there are several popular guides to non-monogamy on the market, but very few journals/interactive resources that encourage exploration of your own needs and preferences.
- Strong platform: Non-Monogamy Help has around 9.5k followers on Twitter, 5.5k followers on Instagram, 250 email subscribers, 112k total Spotify plays 114k Apple plays, 3.2k Spotify followers, 6.6k Apple listeners and around 3.5k website users per month.
- Fully inclusive of LGBTQ+ identities.

Author Biography

Lola Phoenix has been non-monogamous for over a decade, and runs the popular weekly relationship advice column and podcast, Non-Monogamy Help. Their writing has appeared in Medium, Huffington Post, Pink News, Gay Star News, The Independent, and Everyday Feminism. Their first book *The Anxious Person's Guide to Non-Monogamy*, came out in 2022. They are based in Stockholm, Sweden.

Market

People interested in exploring non-monogamy, or who are non-monogamous, polyamorous or in an open relationship. LGBTQ+ and autistic people. Secondary professional market of therapists working with non-monogamous clients.



Publication date	Tuesday, January 21, 2025
Price	£18.99/₹1,599
Main Identifier	9781805013198
BIC 2.1	Complementary therapies, healing & health (VXH) Traditional medicine & herbal remedies (VXHT) Complementary medicine (MX) Dietetics & nutrition (MBNH3)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	229x152 (6x9")
Extent	336 pages
Word Count	96102 words
Illustrations	17 figures and 23 tables
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
Author living in	Vancouver, Canada
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Modern Chinese Medicine Food Cures A Personalized Approach to Nutrition

Melissa Carr

Keynote

A personalized approach to nutrition based on Chinese Medicine food therapy.

Description

This book explores food, nutrition, and dietary recommendations from a Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) approach. 'Modern Chinese Medicine Food Cures' helps both practitioners and their patients navigate a landscape saturated with conflicting dietary advice. This book is a tool to allow practitioners to meet people where they are so they can help them. It is also accessible enough for patients to use it for their own self-care and dietary adjustments.

Melissa Carr provides a modern approach to nutrition that is based on TCM's rich history of using food therapy to personalize health and wellness. She outlines how TCM can systematically assess an individual's health, as well as ways it evaluates how specific foods can impact our bodies. Readers are offered a self-assessment tool to help understand the five elements for TCM diagnosis and the application of nutritional suggestions by element.

The basics and key elements of Western nutritional advice are also included, as is a handy reference of food recommendations for common symptoms and illnesses, while focusing on foods and herbs that are familiar and generally easily accessible to Western readers.

Sales Points

- **Accessible** - The author writes with a light and fun tone, making this an accessible read.
- **Western approach** - This book includes Western nutrition basics, whereas, most Traditional Chinese Medicine resources do not. The foods and herbs suggested are palatable for a Western audience.
- **Contemporary** - Many TCM texts are outdated. This book provides a contemporary resource for practitioners, patients, and students.
- **Experienced author** - The author has been a registered Traditional Chinese Medicine doctor for 22 years.
- **Popular topic** - Consumer trends are rapidly shifting towards health and wellness. People are now more interested in the impact that diet has on their health.

Reviews

- 'This is a real gem of a book. Dr Carr effortlessly weaves together Western and Chinese Medicine perspectives on nutrition, and does it in an engaging and readable way. The book is packed full of knowledge, tips, delicious recipes and lots of wisdom. Every Chinese medicine practitioner needs to have this book on their shelf. I will be referring to it time and again in my clinic.' - Rebecca Avern, Paediatric Acupuncture Clinician
- 'Dr. Carr's "Modern Chinese Medicine Food Cures" expertly bridges ancient wisdom with modern nutrition. This treasure trove of practical advice on food and health gives easy to use recipes and food recommendations for common ailments. Packed with historical tidbits, practical advice and insightful information on health and food throughout, this book is an invaluable addition to the bookshelf for both practitioners and patients alike.' - Deirdre Courtney, Author, Chinese Nutritionist, Herbalist, Acupuncturist and Master Face Reader
- 'This book offers a highly informative and comprehensive guide to nutrition, covering a wide range of topics that reflect the need for a more individualised approach to making better food choices, to both manage specific conditions and maintain good health. Blending TCM theory with modern science, Dr Carr's work provides illuminating insights into how everyday eating can be turned into potent medicine.' - Lisa Lee, author of The Microbiome, Gut Health and Oriental Medicine: An Integrated Approach
- 'Food is medicine. If you want patients to take the medicine you must make it palatable. In this comprehensive text, Dr. Melissa Carr does exactly that. She serves us bite size tidbits of tastiness that are easy to read and deeply satisfying. Like any good chef, her approach is not heavy-handed and her sense of humor adds a bit of sweet and spicy. Such a wonderful feast.' - Yvonne R. Farrell, DAOM, LAC

Author Biography

Melissa Carr has been a registered Traditional Chinese Medicine doctor for 22 years and has a degree in kinesiology/human kinetics. She owns two clinics-TCM Active Life Health Clinic Ltd and My Rest Health Studio. She lives in Vancouver, Canada.

Market

Chinese medicine practitioners and students. Secondary market of nutritional therapists, healthcare professionals, and patients interested in TCM approaches.



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	Advice on parenting (VFX)
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Now It All Makes Sense

How An ADHD Diagnosis Brought Clarity To My Life

Alex Partridge

Keynote

Struggling to make sense of the world, your place in it and why you just can't get a handle on things? Do you suspect ADHD? This new book by Alex Partridge, founder of UniLad and LadBible, and now host of the incredibly popular ADHD Chatter podcast, is an absolute game-changer.

Description

'Truly life changing. The perfect antidote for shame' Samantha Hiew PhD, founder of ADHD Girls

'A powerhouse of a book. Deeply validating' Rich and Roxanne Pink (ADHD Love)

Aged just 21, Alex Partridge founded UNILAD and LADBible, social news sites which now have a following of 100 million people around the globe. A legal case over ownership in 2017 tipped him over the edge of the cliff into alcoholism, triggering years of mental health issues until, aged 34, he was diagnosed with ADHD.

Now it all makes sense.

In his chart-topping podcast, ADHD Chatter, Alex has spoken to dozens of experts on ADHD and related conditions in a bid to understand and improve outcomes for the neurodiverse population - and this groundbreaking book brings them all together, for the first time, in one place.

A blend of lived experience and expert insight, this deep dive into ADHD has the power to change your life. If you've ever wondered why you can't remember those critical appointments, how you can be hyper-focused one minute and down a YouTube rabbit-hole 30 seconds later, or *why do people walk so slowly?* then this relatable and unashamedly honest book is for you.

Written with Alex's trademark raw vulnerability, *Now It All Makes Sense* distils the essence of all the most important need-to-knows, from parenting with (and for) ADHD, to managing your mental health, your finances and even your shopping list. Most importantly it celebrates the opportunities and strengths, unique skillsets and positive traits of ADHD to remind you that you are NOT broken - and you are enough.

Sales Points

- Alex's combined social media platforms total well over 0.5 million
- Launched in March 2023, his ADHD Chatter podcast now has 705k followers on Instagram
- Nobody understands social media better than Alex Partridge, founder of UniLad/LadBible
- Also showcases the expert opinions and contributions from a variety of high-profile experts/influencers on mental health and neurodiversity, from Leanne Maskell to Dr Alex George.

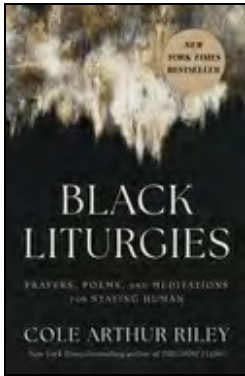
Author Biography

Alex Partridge is a pioneer of social media content as we know it today, and founded UNILAD and LADBible at the age of 21. In 2017 Alex fought and won a major legal dispute over the ownership of UNILAD (having left his editorial role in 2013 while remaining a shareholder).

Having uncoupled himself from both brands, Alex is now a neurodiversity and mental health advocate and has spoken widely on how the stress of litigation tipped him into alcoholism. Aged 34, he was diagnosed with ADHD and has quickly developed a social media platform around neurodiversity. He hosts the chart-topping podcast ADHD Chatter, which attracts an audience of thousands every week.

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Black Liturgies

Prayers, poems and meditations for staying human

Cole Arthur Riley

Keynote

A stunning, all-new collection of prayers, poetry, and spiritual practices centring the Black interior world, from the *New York Times* bestselling author of *This Here Flesh* and creator of the hugely popular Black Liturgies Instagram account.

Description

In the summer of 2020, Cole Arthur Riley was desperate for a spirituality she could trust. Amidst ongoing national racial violence, the isolation of the pandemic, and a surge of anti-Black rhetoric in many Christian spaces, she began dreaming of a harbour for a more human, more liberating expression of faith. She went on to create Black Liturgies, a digital project that connects spiritual practice with Black emotion, memory, and the Black body.

In this book, she deepens the work of that project, bringing together new prayers, letters, poetry, meditation questions, breath practice, and the writings of Black literary ancestors to offer 43 liturgies that can be practised individually or as a community. With a poet's touch and a sensitivity that has made her one of the most important spiritual voices at work today, Riley invites readers to reflect on their own experiences of wonder, rest, rage, and repair, while also including liturgies for holidays like Lent, Advent and Mother's Day.

For those healing from spiritual spaces that were more violent than loving; for those who have escaped the trauma of white Christian nationalism, religious homophobia, and transphobia; for anyone asking what it means to be human in a world of both beauty and terror; Black Liturgies is a work of healing and liberation, and a vision for what might be.

Sales Points

- An exciting, up-and-coming voice in the progressive Christian space, reaching a wide audience inside and outside the church.

Reviews

- 'Cole Arthur Riley is a spiritual guide and a gift in our lives. Restoring us to ourselves and reminding us of our humanness, our fragility, and the strength of faith, she calls us back to community, to breath, to our god-given selves. *Black Liturgies* is true spiritual balm for our troubled times.' - *Michael Eric Dyson, New York Times bestselling author of What Truth Sounds Like*
- '*Black Liturgies* is a garden for the soul. With rare wisdom, beautiful clarity, and generous vulnerability, Cole Riley brings her whole self to these letters, verses, and promptings, offering bright, deep truths about who we are and can be as Black women, Black people, and human beings. Hold these luminous words close and let them be your balm.' - *Tiya Miles, National Book Award winning author of All That She Carried*

Author Biography

Cole Arthur Riley is the creator of Black Liturgies, a space where Black words of dignity, lament, rage, and rest, are curated and integrated with a liberating spirituality. She serves as the content and spiritual formation manager for Chesterton House: A Center for Christian Studies at Cornell University. Born and for the most part raised in Pittsburgh, Cole studied Writing at the University of Pittsburgh. She once took a professor's advice very seriously to begin writing a little every day, and has followed it for nearly a decade.



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Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Author born in	UK
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Previous Titles

The Little Book of Lent

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The Little Book of Easter Reflections and prayers for Holy Week and the Seven Weeks of Easter

Arthur Howells

Keynote

An anthology of prayers, Bible readings and Christian writing for Eastertide.

Description

A beautiful gift anthology for the season of Easter with material from Tom Wright, Timothy Radcliffe, Basil Hume, Rowan Williams, Brian McLaren, Paula Gooder, Henri Nouwen, Desmond Tutu, Maria Boulding. This delightful collection is the perfect gift for the Lenten season.

Beginning with Palm Sunday and Holy Week, right through the seven weeks of Easter until the great feast of Pentecost, Canon Arthur Howells provides a portion of scripture, a short extract from an inspirational Christian book, and a prayer for each day.

Drawing wisdom from across the tradition of the Church, *The Little Book of Easter* includes writing from Desmond Tutu, C. S. Lewis, Henri Nouwen and William Temple alongside voices such as Eugene Peterson, Paula Gooder, Tom Wright and Maggi Dawn.

We're familiar with Lent as a time to deepen our prayer lives, but less aware of Easter as a season that can be savoured in this way. These collected writings will be a gift for anyone looking to continue their spiritual journey during this time of celebration, and explore the wisdom of the Church in greater depth.

Previously published as *An Easter Anthology*.

Sales Points

- A perennial collection of writings on Easter.
- The names of contributors include well-known Christian writers.
- Previous titles have been well stocked in Waterstones. (See The Little Book of Lent)
- Foreword from former Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams

Reviews

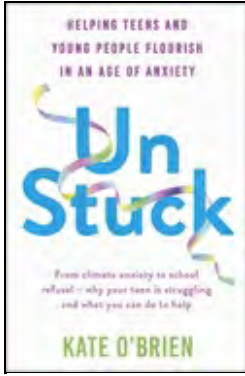
- 'This book will be a great inspiration for anyone who wants to grasp more fully why Christians say that they are 'an Easter people', and how the Easter story shapes our prayer, our advocacy and our action in a world where the darkness of Good Friday is so visible in so many lives.' - Rowan Williams

Author Biography

Canon Arthur Howells is a retired Anglican priest who has served all his ministry in the Church in Wales. He is married to Margaret and they live in Swansea. Formerly Canon Residentiary and Chancellor of Brecon Cathedral, he was Canon Missioner for the Diocese of Swansea and Brecon for ten years prior to his appointment as Vicar of St James' Swansea. He has previously compiled an Advent anthology, *The Little Book of Advent* and three Lent anthologies - *A Lent Companion*, *Generous Love* and *A Little Book of Lent*.

Market

Perfect gift for Easter



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Author living in	Dublin, Ireland

Previous Titles

Glow: Your Complete Four-Week Plan for Healthy, Radiant Skin with 60 Skin-Nourishing Recipes (Gill Books, 2018);
Your Middle Years: Love Them. Live Them. Own Them (Gill Books, 2016)

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Un:Stuck Helping Teens and Young Adults Flourish in an Age of Anxiety

Kate O'Brien

Keynote

A collection of healing and inspirational stories, written for parents and caregivers to help our youth fearlessly forge their own path in this new world.

Description

Every child is born a physical, emotional and spiritual being. As parents and caregivers, it is our role to nurture these qualities and help young people mature into confident embodied adults and responsible custodians of our communities, economies and the Earth. But as the scaffolding of the old world has crumbled, we know that many members of Gen Z are experiencing anxiety, depression, addiction and even suicidality at epidemic levels.

We want our children to grow up in an environment where they feel safe, loved, and can enjoy a deep sense of belonging. The sensitive, the open-hearted and empathetic ones are the most affected and these are the very people we need most in society.

With contributions and timely solutions from leading scientists, doctors, inspirational teachers, visionaries and wisdom holders from varying traditions, the stories of hope in *UN:Stuck* offer guidance that will help our children mature into confident embodied adults packed with empathy, curiosity and a real sense of playfulness. The chapter titles in this book are rungs on a ladder of hope: Awakened Awareness, Emotional/Ethical intelligence, Interrelatedness (Ukama), Ethical Activism, Meaning & Purpose, Resilience/Courage/ Curiosity, Creativity and Inclusion/The Whole Being.

The result is a truly 360° vision of how we can support our young people, based on storytelling and wisdom in a way that reconnects them at a fundamental level with their world and seeds hope for the future.

Sales Points

- A timely and unique new perspective on parenting
- An incredibly well-connected author with global reach and strong PR potential in Ireland (where she is based)
- High-profile contributors who will all endorse and promote the book
- Simultaneous, global publication

Reviews

- '*Un:Stuck* is inclusive, collaborative, expansive & heart-based - a true gem in the pantheon of classics that teach you how to take your life to the next level.' - *davidji*, author of '*Sacred Powers*'

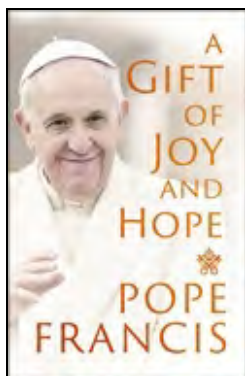
Author Biography

Kate O'Brien is a respected health and wellbeing commentator writing in publications in the UK, Ireland, Asia, Australia and the US for over 25 years, while living in Asia (for 20 years) and more recently home in Ireland. She has written 9 lifestyle books on health, wellbeing and beauty, most of which were published in Asia, with the most recent being *GLOW* (Gill, 2018).

She is a qualified dietitian with a diploma in cosmetic science and has been practising yoga for close to 30 years as a Yoga Alliance-certified teacher.

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Let Us Dream

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A Gift of Joy and Hope

Pope Francis

Translated by Oonagh Stransky

Keynote

Pope Francis's third official book - already an international bestseller - on how to find joy in challenging circumstances

Description

'This is Christian hope: the certainty of walking towards something that exists, not something I hope might be there.'

In response to the devastating loss the world faced during the pandemic, Pope Francis was inspired to write a book to help people find hope and meaning. God is joyful, he writes. And God's compassion is no less than the deepest expression of God's joy, and the heart of all Christian preaching. The liberating revolution of the Gospel is encapsulated here. We are not supposed to carry burdens heavier than those we already have, but to bear witness to a new, beautiful and surprising horizon: to share a joy that has been prepared for everyone.

From the anxieties of the age to the importance of nature, *A Gift of Joy and Hope* encourages readers to look outside themselves to embrace authentic beauty, change attitudes that exclude others, overcome life's challenges with courage and, trust that joy and hope are still possible, even in challenging times; for joy has the last word - always.

Sales Points

- A truly global figure, **POPE FRANCIS** has 18.8 million English-speaking followers on Twitter
- His third official book, ideal for fans and seekers alike
- A truly uplifting and inspiring book on how to find hope and joy even in challenging times

Author Biography

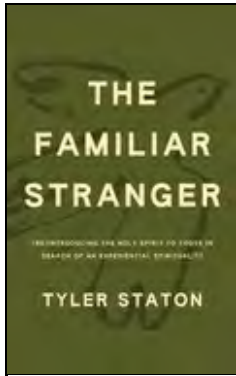
The first Pope of the Americas, Jorge Mario Bergoglio, hails from Argentina. The 76-year-old Jesuit Archbishop of Buenos Aires is a prominent figure throughout the continent, yet remains a simple pastor who is deeply loved by his diocese, throughout which he has travelled extensively on the underground and by bus during the 15 years of his episcopal ministry.

He was born in Buenos Aires on 17 December 1936, the son of Italian immigrants. His father Mario was an accountant employed by the railways and his mother Regina Sivori was a committed wife dedicated to raising their five children. He graduated as a chemical technician and then chose the path of the priesthood, entering the Diocesan Seminary of Villa Devoto. On 11 March 1958 he entered the novitiate of the Society of Jesus. He completed his studies of the humanities in Chile and returned to Argentina in 1963 to graduate with a degree in philosophy from the Colegio de San José in San Miguel. From 1964 to 1965 he taught literature and psychology at Immaculate Conception College in Santa Fé and in 1966 he taught the same subject at the Colegio del Salvatore in Buenos Aires. From 1967-70 he studied theology and obtained a degree from the Colegio of San José.

He was elected Supreme Pontiff on 13 March 2013.

Market

For Catholics, Christians more widely and anyone intrigued by this radically generous Pope
The perfect gift for anyone struggling through tough times



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The Familiar Stranger (Re)Introducing the Holy Spirit to Those in Search of an Experiential Spirituality

Tyler Staton

Keynote

Tyler Staton reintroduces the Holy Spirit to Christians yearning for an authentic spiritual experience.

Description

Is the Holy Spirit at work in your life? Or are you longing for more of his presence and power?

In *The Familiar Stranger*, Tyler Staton draws on Scripture, tradition, and spiritual practices to help you step into a genuine relationship with the Holy Spirit and discover a fully alive spirituality.

For a generation searching desperately for authentic spiritual experiences, there's good news: the Holy Spirit's indwelling presence is freely available. Yet, confusion and unfamiliarity surround the Holy Spirit, leading too many Christians either to sideline him or misunderstand what he means for their spiritual lives.

In *The Familiar Stranger*, Staton reintroduces this oft-neglected person of the Trinity, tracing the story of the Holy Spirit as it unfolds throughout the Bible, and inviting believers to close the gap between what Scripture reveals about the Holy Spirit and their lived experience. Along the way, readers will:

- dig into key biblical images and metaphors that reveal the Holy Spirit's nature, roles, and personality;
- learn about common misperceptions that keep believers and churches from experiencing the fullness of the Holy Spirit's power and presence;
- discover how the Spirit brings discernment and access to miraculous power to partner with God in the work he's doing in the world;
- reckon with the indispensable role of spiritual experience for walking with God; and understand how both Word and Spirit work together to draw people into a vibrant, intimate knowledge of God.

The Familiar Stranger will challenge, inform, and encourage believers from every background to become more deeply acquainted with the Person and work of the Holy Spirit - and experience his transformative, life-giving power in their lives.

Sales Points

- Tyler Staton is the author of *PRAYING LIKE MONKS, LIVING LIKE FOOLS* which has been one of Hodder Faith's top frontlist titles since October 2022.
- Tyler is the National Director of 24-7 Prayer USA and often contributes to 24-7's daily prayer app, 'Lectio 365' which has a global audience.
- Tyler is the lead pastor of Bridgetown Church in Portland, Oregon, succeeding John Mark Comer. Fans of John Mark Comer often like Tyler Staton's writing too as they both write on spiritual formation in a digital age.
- Pete Greig said, 'Tyler Staton is one of America's most inspiring and gifted prayer leaders today'.

Author Biography

Tyler Staton is the Lead Pastor of Bridgetown Church in Portland, Oregon, and the National Director of 24-7 Prayer USA. He is passionate about pursuing prayer - communion and conversation with God - while living deeply, poetically, wildly, and freely in the honest and gritty realities of day-to-day life. Tyler believes that justice is kinship, stories are a gift, and prayer is an invitation.

Tyler is the author of *Searching for Enough: The High-Wire Walk Between Doubt and Faith* and *Praying Like Monks, Living Like Fools: An Invitation to the Wonder and Mystery of Prayer*. He lives in Portland with his wife Kirsten, and their sons Hank, Simon, and Amos.



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The Bone Fire

Martina Murphy

Keynote

A missing daughter, a gangster kingpin bent on revenge and a locked laptop... this Irish-set thriller is guaranteed to keep you at the edge of your seat.

Description

'A gripping mystery lies at the heart of this atmospheric and wonderfully written police procedural' Brian McGilloway

A fatal fire in a holiday let on Slievemore, Achill Island, leaves one person dead and another missing. Deemed arson, DS Lucy Golden and her team are tasked with solving the murder and locating the missing woman, Moira Delaney. As the case develops, the pressure builds when it transpires that Moira's father is a gangland figure, a suspect in three unsolved murders. If Lucy doesn't uncover what happened that morning in Slievemore, he will deploy his men to deal out his own sort of justice.

Things get even more complicated when a laptop is uncovered that could ruin all that Lucy holds dear. And as the net on the suspect tightens, Lucy faces a hard choice - will she use it to save herself and bring a murderer to justice, or bury it and save her family and her career?

'With the raw and savagely beautiful Achill Island as a fitting backdrop, a tense and gut-wrenching plotline, and a cast of expertly drawn characters, Murphy delivers up a gritty and emotional reading experience' Zoe Miller

Sales Points

- Fourth in the acclaimed Lucy Golden series set on the wild and beautiful Achill peninsula

Reviews

- **'A gripping mystery lies at the heart of this atmospheric and wonderfully written police procedural'** - Brian McGilloway, Sunday Times bestselling author of THE EMPTY ROOM
- **'The DS Lucy Golden series and the world of crime fiction has proved to be a rich new vein for Martina, she blends expert police procedurals with a fully rounded and highly engaging cast of characters, sharp dialogue, and plots that are full of drama and heart'** - Zoe Miller

Author Biography

Martina Murphy lives with her family in Maynooth, County Kildare. She has previously written general fiction as Martina Reilly (and years ago, YA as Tina Reilly), published by Little Brown and Hachette Ireland. Her novel *Something Borrowed*, was long listed for an Impac award.

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Author living in	New Zealand

Previous Titles

The Italian Daughter 9781408728758
The Cuban Daughter 9781408729625
The Royal Daughter 9781408729656

The Sapphire Daughter

A completely gripping and emotional page-turner

Soraya Lane

Keynote

An epic, heart-breaking love story set in beautiful Geneva, *The Sapphire Daughter* is a novel about the enduring power of love, even across generations, and discovering your true family

Description

London, Present day. As fiercely-independent **Georgia** clutches a precious gem stone in her hands, she has no idea how it relates to her own family. The rare pink sapphire was left for her at Hope's House, a home for unmarried mothers.

Soon Georgia discovers that the sapphire was once part of a precious tiara owned by the Italian Royal family, who were forced to move to Geneva after being exiled from their home. A local collector named **Luca** has been searching for the missing stone for years and instantly wants to meet with Georgia. His grandfather entrusted him with the tiara, with the caveat that it was never to be sold.

As Georgia and Luca piece together the history of the tiara, they uncover a tragic love story. Of a banished princess named Delphine who left behind her home to begin a new life in Switzerland with her husband and children. Trapped in a loveless marriage, she fell in love with a young man named Florian. But when tragedy struck, leaving Delphine was completely alone, she was be forced to make a heart-breaking decision with devastating consequences.

As Georgia comes to terms with her family's secret, will Delphine's story of courage inspire her to open up her own heart and build a new life with Luca?

A completely gripping and escapist read that will leave you spellbound. The perfect read for fans of Lucinda Riley, Victoria Hislop and Santa Montefiore.

Sales Points

- Perfect for fans of expansive, stirring romantic fiction, like The Seven Sisters series by Lucinda Riley (200k copies in New Zealand alone)
- The fourth novel in a sweeping eight-novel romance series that can be read as a standalone novel; each book is dual timeline, following the journey of a different strong female lead, and featuring an emotional, aspirational setting
- *The Italian Daughter* was a bestseller in New Zealand, Germany and the Netherlands, and Soraya Lane is a #1 Amazon bestseller who has sold over 750,000 copies in the English language
- The Lost Daughters series has sold in eighteen territories
- The author is based in New Zealand and travels frequently to Australia for events

Author Biography

Soraya Lane is the author of historical and contemporary women's fiction, and her novel *Wives of War* was an Amazon Charts bestseller. Soraya lives in her native New Zealand.

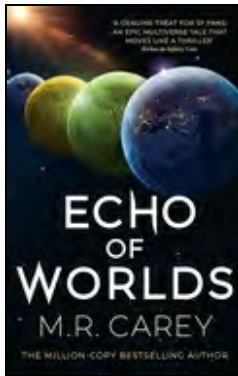
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Series	The Pandominion
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The Girl With All the Gifts
The Boy on the Bridge
Fellside
Someone Like Me
The Book of Koli
The Trials of Koli
The Fall of Koli
Infinity Gate

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Echo of Worlds Book Two of the Pandominion

M. R. Carey

Keynote

Following the critically acclaimed *Infinity Gate* comes the second novel in the highly original Pandominion duology - a thrilling tale set in the multiverse from the bestselling M. R. Carey. Perfect for fans of *Children of Time*, *The Space Between Worlds* and *The Long Earth*.

Description

'A GENUINE TREAT FOR SF FANS: AN EPIC MULTIVERSE TALE THAT MOVES LIKE A THRILLER' *Kirkus on Infinity Gate*

'AN IMMENSE ACHIEVEMENT: AN IMPECCABLY CRAFTED BOOK' *New York Times*

Following the critically acclaimed *Infinity Gate* comes the second and final novel in the Pandominion by international bestselling M. R. Carey. A thrilling adventure set in the multiverse, it tells of humanity's expansion across millions of dimensions, and the AI technology that might see it all come to an end . . .

Two mighty empires are at war - and both will lose, with thousands of planets falling to the extinction event called the Scour. At least that's what the artificial intelligence known as Rupshe believes.

But somewhere in the multiverse there exists a force - the Mother Mass - that could end the war in an instant, and Rupshe has assembled a team to find it. Essien Nkanika, a soldier trying desperately to atone for past sins; the cat-woman Moon, a conscienceless killer; the digitally recorded mind of physicist Hadiz Tambuwal; Paz, an idealistic child and the renegade robot spy Dulcimer Coronal.

Their mission will take them from the hellish prison world of Tsakom to the poisoned remains of a post-apocalyptic Earth, and finally bring them face to face with the Mother Mass itself. But can they persuade it to end eons of neutrality and help them? And is it too late to make a difference?

Because the Pandominion's doomsday machines are about to be unleashed - and not even their builders know how to control them.

Discover the conclusion to the spectacular Pandominion duology - an exhilarating science fiction series from the author of the million-copy bestseller *The Girl With All the Gifts*. Perfect for fans of *The Space Between Worlds*, *The Long Earth* and *Children of Time*.

Praise for The Pandominion:

'[A] brilliant dimension-hopping sci-fi thriller . . . readers will be wowed'
Publishers Weekly

'A fascinating window onto a dangerous and multifaceted universe' Adrian Tchaikovsky, author of *Children of Time*

'Infinity Gate, with its in-depth science and rich characterization, is a must-read for SF fans' *Booklist*

'A powerful exploration of the near-future, skilfully and seamlessly weaving different realities and different iterations of AI . . . A compelling entry and a must-read!' Tade Thompson, Arthur C. Clarke Award-winning author of *Rosewater*

'Humane, thoughtful and exciting, Mike Carey reaffirms his place in the ranks of SF with this startlingly good novel' Paul Cornell, award-winning author and screenwriter

'M.R. Carey is a master of imagination and suspense' Gareth L. Powell, author of *Embers of War*

'A dazzling speculation on the many ways our world could have evolved, layered inside a thriller that will make your eardrums vibrate. I was charmed, disturbed, and fascinated by turns - and I couldn't put this book down' Annalee Newitz, author of *Autonomous* and *The Terraformers*

'This is gripping, unrelenting, and absolutely unique. Carey is working at the absolute top of his game' Seanan McGuire, *New York Times* bestselling author

Sales Points

- **An exciting and highly commercial new direction for M. R. Carey, author of the million-copy bestseller *The Girl With All the Gifts*.** This is his first SF series which will appeal strongly to fans of space opera - an extremely buoyant and exciting area of science fiction
- Book 1 in this series, INFINITY GATE, has been **shortlisted for the Philip K. Dick Award**, and has been **picked as a New York Times Best Science Fiction and Fantasy Book of 2023**
- Perfect for fans of space opera and high-concept science fiction, such as *Children of Time* by Adrian Tchaikovsky, *The Space Between Worlds* by Michaelaiah Johnson and *The Long Earth* by Terry Pratchett and Stephen Baxter. Also perfect for fans of thrilling, mind-bending scifi films & TV: e.g. *Interstellar*, *The Edge of Tomorrow*, *Inception*
- **A major global hardback launch in coordination with Orbit US:** this is an exciting opportunity for us to relaunch M. R. Carey in a major way, and to a whole new area of SF

Reviews

- **'A fascinating window onto a dangerous and multifaceted universe'** - Adrian Tchaikovsky, author of CHILDREN OF TIME
- **'Infinity Gate is a powerful exploration of the near-future, skilfully and seamlessly weaving different realities and different iterations of AI . . . Carey has the experience, imagination and verve to pull it off. A compelling entry and a must-read!'** - Tade Thompson, Arthur C. Clarke Award-winning author of Rosewater
- **'M.R. Carey is a master of imagination and suspense'** - Gareth L. Powell, author of EMBERS OF WAR
- **'Humane, thoughtful and exciting, Mike Carey reaffirms his place in the ranks of SF with this startlingly good novel'** - Paul Cornell

Author Biography

M. R. Carey has been making up stories for most of his life. His novel *The Girl With All the Gifts* has sold over a million copies and became a major motion picture, based on his own BAFTA Award-nominated screenplay. Under the name Mike Carey he has written for both DC and Marvel, including critically acclaimed runs on *Lucifer*, *Hellblazer* and *X-Men*. His creator-owned books regularly appear in the *New York Times* bestseller list. He also has several previous novels including the Felix Castor series (written as Mike Carey), two radio plays and a number of TV and movie screenplays to his credit.

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The Foxglove King

For the Wolf
For the Throne

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The Hemlock Queen

Hannah Whitten

Keynote

From Hannah Whitten, the *New York Times* bestselling author of *For the Wolf*, comes a dark, romantic epic fantasy trilogy about a young woman whose power to raise the dead plunges her into the dangerous world of power and politics in the King's royal court.

Description

'Hannah Whitten is my new favourite obsession' Jodi Picoult, *New York Times*-bestselling author

In this epic sequel to the *Sunday Times* bestseller, *The Foxglove King*, the glittering and dangerous world of the Sainted King's royal court is forever changed by Prince Bastian's ascension to the throne - and the dark forces gathering beneath it.

The corrupt king August is dead. Prince Bastian has seized the throne and raised Lore to his right-hand side. Together they plan to cut out the rot from the heart of the royal court and help the people of Dellaire. But not everyone is happy with the changes. The nobles are sowing dissent and the Kirtythean Empire is beating down their door. Even Prince Bastian has changed. No longer the hopeful, rakish, charismatic man Lore knows and loves, instead he's become reckless, domineering and cold.

With Bastian's coronation fast approaching and enemies whispering on all sides, Lore must figure out how to protect herself, her prince and her country before they all come crumbling down and whatever dark power has been creeping through the catacombs is unleashed.

Praise for *The Foxglove King*:

'Sinister, deadly and so seductive you won't be able to tear yourself away from this dark gem of a book' Stephanie Garber, *New York Times*-bestselling author

'Beautifully written, lushly cinematic, unsettling, mysterious - an unputdownable story' Ali Hazelwood, *New York Times*-bestselling author of *The Love Hypothesis*

'Darkly sumptuous and beautifully dangerous, *The Foxglove King* wraps you up in a velvet gown and then holds a knife to your throat' Ava Reid, *Sunday Times*-bestselling author of *The Wolf and the Woodsman*

'I am OBSESSED with this book! Hannah Whitten just keeps getting better and better' Katee Robert, *New York Times*-bestselling author

Sales Points

- *The Foxglove King* was an instant number-one ***Sunday Times* bestseller** and has sold over 150,000 copies worldwide (as of March 2023)
- *The Hemlock Queen* is the second book in a lush, compelling, commercial epic fantasy series that manages to combine the **dark magic and romance** that enchanted the readers of *For the Wolf* with a bigger world of **courtly intrigue, politics and war** that will appeal to fans of epic fantasy and romantasy
- The author's previous series, *The Wilderwood* duology, has sold over 350,000 copies worldwide

Reviews

- **'Hannah Whitten is my new favourite obsession'** - Jodi Picoult, *NEW YORK TIMES*-bestselling author
- **'*The Foxglove King* is a delicious fantasy. Sinister, deadly and so seductive you won't be able to tear yourself away from this dark gem of a book'** - Stephanie Garber on *THE FOXGLOVE KING*
- **'*The Foxglove King* is beautifully written, lushly cinematic, unsettling, mysterious - an unputdownable story** of humans and gods. Hannah Whitten has built a world that is **dark, fascinating, romantic and disturbing'** - Ali Hazelwood on *THE FOXGLOVE KING*
- **'A perfect blend of shadowy gods, forbidden romance and political court drama'** - KIRKUS on *THE FOXGLOVE KING*

Author Biography

Hannah Whitten has been writing to amuse herself since she could hold a pen, and sometime in high school, she figured out that what amused her might also amuse others. When she's not writing, she's reading, making music or attempting to bake. She lives in Tennessee with her husband and children in a house ruled by a temperamental cat. Follow her on Twitter at @hwhittenwrites.



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In the Lost Night Files trilogy: SLEEP
NO MORE

. . . and many more.

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The Night Island

A page-turning romantic suspense novel from the bestselling author

Jayne Ann Krentz

Keynote

A thrilling romance from bestselling author Jayne Ann Krentz, and the second in a new series.

Description

'Sparkles with wit and clever plotting' *Publishers Weekly*

'Sexy . . . clever, fun' *Kirkus Reviews*

The disappearance of a mysterious informant leads two people desperate for answers to an island of deadly deception in this new novel in the Lost Night Files trilogy by *New York Times* bestselling author Jayne Ann Krentz.

One night left three women changed forever . . .

Talia March, Pallas Llewellyn, and Amelia Rivers are dedicated to uncovering the mystery of what really happened to them months ago - an experience that amplified innate psychic abilities in each of them. Suspecting they were test subjects years earlier, they are searching for those who took that same test. When Talia follows up on a lead from Phoebe, a fan of the trio's podcast, she discovers that the informant has vanished.

Talia isn't the only one looking for Phoebe. Luke Rand, a hunted and haunted man, also shows up at the meeting place. It's clear he has his own agenda, and they are instantly suspicious of each other. But when a killer begins to stalk them, they decide to join forces to find Phoebe and the list.

The rocky investigation leads Talia and Luke to a rustic, remote retreat on Night Island in the Pacific Northwest, where the Unplugged Experience promises to rejuvenate guests. It soon becomes clear that Phoebe is not the first person to disappear into the strange gardens that surround the Unplugged Experience retreat. And then the first mysterious death occurs . . .

Find out why readers are RAVING about Jayne Ann Krentz:

'Krentz expertly entwines high-stakes suspense, a paranormal-spiked plot, and a generous dollop of sexy romance with delightfully dry wit as she launches a thrilling and chilling new series' *Booklist* (starred review)

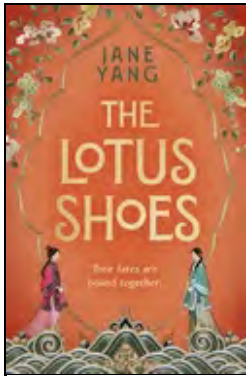
'A smart, creative series start from a romance master who always entertains' *Kirkus Reviews* (starred review)

Sales Points

- MEGA-SELLING AUTHOR! We've sold **over 3 million copies** of Jayne Ann Krentz's novels - she is a many times *New York Times* bestseller, and is **perfect for fans of Nora Roberts or Sandra Brown**.

Author Biography

Jayne Ann Krentz, who also writes historical and futuristic fiction under the pseudonyms Amanda Quick and Jayne Castle respectively, has more than fifty NEW YORK TIMES bestsellers under various pen names; more than twenty-five million copies of her books are in print. She lives in the Pacific Northwest. Visit her at www.krentz-quick.com



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The Lotus Shoes

The captivating historical debut for fans of GIRL WITH A PEARL EARRING and MEMOIRS OF A GEISHA

Jane Yang

Keynote

An astonishing story set in 1800s China. Little Flower is sold into slavery, and Linjing into marriage . . .

Description

<H2>THE CAPTIVATING, HEART-RENDING STORY OF TWO WOMEN IN 1800S CHINA</H2>

'Brilliantly written, masterful storytelling, and hard to put down. This story will stay with me for a very, very long time' HEATHER MORRIS, author of *The Tattooist of Auschwitz*

Love and loss. Sisterhood and betrayal. Little Flower and Linjing's fates are bound together.

As a child, Little Flower is sold to Linjing's wealthy family to become a *muizai*. In a fit of childish jealousy over her new handmaiden's ladylike bound feet and talent for embroidery, Linjing ensures Little Flower can never leave her to ascend in society.

Despite their starkly different places in the Fong household, over the years the two girls must work together to secure both their futures through Linjing's marriage. As the two grow up, they are by turns bitter rivals and tentative friends.

Until scandal strikes the family, and Linjing and Little Flower's lives are unexpectedly thrown into chaos. Linjing's fall from grace could be an opportunity for Little Flower - but will their intertwined fates lead to triumph, or tragedy for them both?

'Jane Yang is an exciting new talent' SANTA MONTEFIORE

'I devoured this stunning debut' ALKA JOSHI

'More than a book, this novel is an act of empowerment for women' NGUYEN PHAN QUE MAI

'Enchants from the first page to the last' PUBLISHERS WEEKLY, STARRED REVIEW

'An enthralling tale' JUDY NUNN

'Captivating and exquisitely rendered' MELISSA FU

'A stunning exploration of female friendships' ALLI PARKER

'If you liked *Memoirs of a Geisha*, then you will love *The Lotus Shoes*' SORAYA LANE

'A hugely talented writer whose storytelling prowess fully immerses the reader' NATASHA LESTER

'I enjoyed every single page of *The Lotus Shoes*' ELIZABETH CHADWICK

'You'll love it' MANDY ROBOTHAM

'Stunning, transporting, unforgettable' AMANDA GEARD

Sales Points

- **PERFECT FOR BOOK CLUBS.** Combining a personal, gripping tale with themes of foot binding, arranged marriage and Eastern versus Western values, *The Lotus Shoes* will sit alongside *Girl with a Pearl Earring* and *Memoirs of a Geisha*
- **A MAJOR GLOBAL LAUNCH.** Sphere acquired in a significant pre-empt before US rights sold in a high six-figure deal. Rights have sold in a further 9 territories, many at auction
- **A PERSONAL STORY WITH HUGE PUBLICITY POTENTIAL.** Inspired by Jane's great-great-aunt, whose embroidery skill allowed her to change the fate of the women in her family despite her lack of bound feet. Jane lives in Victoria, Australia, and will be a huge asset for promoting there
- **AN ASTOUNDING FIRST REACTION.** Glowing endorsements have poured in and we are very ambitious for launch. We will be submitting for key awards across literary and commercial fiction

Reviews

- **'Easily one of the best books I've read in years. If you liked *Memoirs of a Geisha*, you will love *The Lotus Shoes*'** - SORAYA LANE
- **'More than a book, this novel is an act of liberation and empowerment for women everywhere'** - NGUYEN PHAN QUE MAI
- **'Jane Yang is a hugely talented writer whose elegant prose, eye for historical detail and storytelling prowess fully immerse the reader in her exceptional novel'** - NATASHA LESTER
- **'It held me spellbound. I can't wait to recommend this novel to everyone I know'** - ALKA JOSHI
- **'A captivating and exquisitely rendered novel. I was invested from the first page until the very last words'** - MELISSA FU
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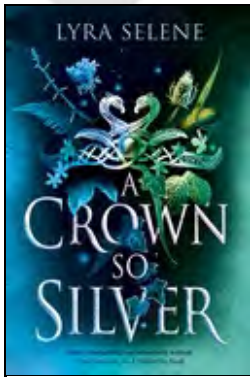


Author Biography

Jane Yang was born in the Chinese enclave of Saigon and raised in Australia where she grew up on a diet of superstition and family stories from Old China. Despite establishing a scientific career, she is still sometimes torn between modern, rational thinking and the pull of old beliefs in tales passed down the family. She lives in Australia.

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A Feather So Black

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A Crown So Silver

Lyra Selene

Keynote

A Crown So Silver is the second book in the Number One Sunday Times bestselling Fair folk trilogy. On a mysterious snowy island ruled by a trickster king where magic comes at a price, a deadly trial commences. The prize: a chance for vengeance.

Description

'A tale to savour and devour, one that gleams like starlight and cuts like a sword' Rebecca Ross, author of *Divine Rivals*, on *A Feather So Black*

On a mysterious snowy island ruled by a trickster king where magic comes at a price, a deadly trial commences. The prize: a chance for vengeance. A Crown So Silver is the second book in Lyra Selene's Number One Sunday Times bestselling Fair folk trilogy, perfect for fans of Holly Black and Fourth Wing.

After her sacrifice on the Ember Moon, Fia is flush with powerful magic and eager to rush into battle against her murderous sister, Eala. However, Fia's new husband Irian suggests they bide their time and retreat to the Silver Isle, a snowy island at the edge of the fae world.

Ruled by the cunning smith-king, the Silver Isle proves far from a safe haven. Fia and Irian become embroiled in the Tournament of Kings competing for a magical forging of immense power. Fia and Irian's relationship will be put to the test as they navigate their conflicting motivations, shifting allegiances and ancient magic.

With the end of the tournament looming and Eala's threat growing, Fia must decide just how much she's willing to sacrifice to defeat her sister.

Praise for the Fair Folk trilogy:

'Dark and dangerous and teeming with romance, A Feather So Black is an exhilarating adventure that walks the edge of a blade. Truly enchanting' Rachel Gillig, NYT bestselling author of *One Dark Window*, on *A Feather So Black*

'Darkly enchanting and beautifully written, A Feather So Black is the perfect mix of atmospheric fantasy, heart-stopping action, and delicious romance' Thea Guanzon, author of *The Hurricane Wars*, on *A Feather So Black*

'Opulent and scorching, A Feather So Black transcends the genres of romance and fantasy into a tale that is timeless, blood-spattered, and rich with longing and magic' Roshani Chokshi, author of *The Last Tale of the Flower Bride*, on *A Feather So Black*

'Immersive world building, whimsical prose, gripping adventure, and heart stopping romance, A Feather So Black will definitely be a new romantasy favourite!' A.K. Mulford, author of *The High Mountain Court*, on *A Feather So Black*

'With a breathtaking, sizzling romance, A Feather So Black weaves a twisted fairy tale of thorns and teeth' K.M. Enright, author of *Mistress of Lies*

'By turns seductive and heart breaking, this enthralling journey heralds a new era of fantasy' Breanne Randall, author of the *Unfortunate Side Effects of Heartbreak and Magic*, on *A Feather So Black*

'Lyra Selene's writing is a feast for the senses, made of velvet and wild vines and moonlight' Ryan Graudin, award winning author of *Wolf By Wolf*, on *A Feather So Black*

Sales Points

- **HUGE COMMERCIAL TIKTOK APPEAL:** following in the vein of Sarah J. Maas and Holly Black's high-fae romance, this has an engaging writing style that quickly draws you in, and the romantic triangle between the changeling princess, her noble childhood best friend, and the dark fae lord is well done and will greatly appeal to the fantasy romance readership.
- **A CLASSIC FAIRY TALE REIMAGINED:** Readers love classic tales reimagined in new fantasy settings, and this is a fresh approach to the Six Swans fairy tale that's familiar but not over-used in the retelling space. Perfect for fans of Holly Black's *The Cruel Prince*, Sarah J. Maas, Jennifer Armentrout, Hannah Whitten and Rachel Gillig.
- **FOCUS TITLE FOR 2024:** This will be a shared title with Orbit US and a focus title for us going into 2024.
- **CELTIC INSPIRED WORLD:** A Feather So Black takes inspiration from Celtic mythology, with a setting inspired by ancient Ireland which will appeal to fans of British folklore and Celtic fantasy
- **RISING STAR AUTHOR:** Lyra is the author of YA novels *Amber & Dusk* (2018) and

Diamond & Dawn (2019), both published by Scholastic Press. She is continuing to build her social media presence, and *A Feather so Black* has the potential to be a breakout moment for her career.

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Reviews

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- **'Lyra Selene's writing is a feast for the senses, made of velvet and wild vines and moonlight. *A Feather So Black* is sure to lure readers into its glittering world. Just be warned, dear reader: once you enter the revels of these Folk, you'll never want them to end'** - Ryan Graudin, author of *WOLF BY WOLF*

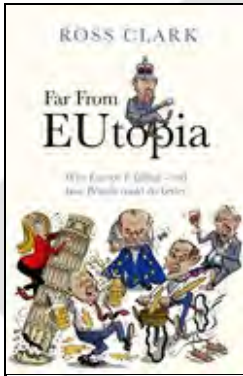
Author Biography

Lyra Selene was born under a full moon and has never quite managed to wipe the moonlight out of her eyes. She grew up on a steady diet of mythology, folklore, and fantasy, and now writes tall tales of twisted magic, forbidden romance, and brooding landscapes.

Lyra lives in New England with her husband and daughter, in an antique farmhouse that probably isn't haunted. She is the author of the young adult duology *AMBER & DUSK*. *A FEATHER SO BLACK* is her adult debut.

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Far from Eutopia

How Europe is failing – and Britain could do better

Ross Clark

Keynote

Britain may have its problems but those who argue the EU is doing better are seeing a fantasy. In reality, the EU has all of Britain's problems - and more.

Description

In 2020, after three and a half years of bitter negotiations, Britain left the European Union. For some it was a day of freedom, for others a tragedy which would leave Britain isolated and poorer. Vote Brexit, the Remain campaign warned us, and it would be an act of self-harm. The economy would collapse, sending prices and unemployment soaring. Meanwhile, in contrast to xenophobic, inward-looking Britain, the EU would soar ahead without us.

But is that really what has happened? Ross Clark reveals just how badly the EU is doing - and how in many ways Britain is doing better. Since Brexit, for example, the UK economy has grown faster than Germany's. In spite of inflation which followed the pandemic and the invasion of Ukraine, Britain has the lowest food prices in Europe. The air is cleaner than in many countries. Surveys repeatedly suggest there is less racism and xenophobia in Britain than in almost any other European country.

For years, European economies have been far more sluggish than those of other developed countries. In the absence of economic growth and with high migration, European societies are strained. The far right is advancing and public disillusionment with the EU growing quickly. While Britain shares many of Europe's problems to a greater or less extent, this hard-hitting polemic argues that it now has the means to disentangle itself from the EU's draw strings set off on a more prosperous path.

Sales Points

- A book to gladden the hearts of what is now reckoned to be at least 44% of the public and give even the remaining 56% pause for thought
- Clark is the author of NOT ZERO, which sold over 4k hardbacks

Author Biography

Ross Clark is a British journalist who regularly writes for *The Times*, *Spectator*, *Telegraph* and *Daily Mail*. He won a *Spectator* Young Writer of the Year Award in 1989 and is the author of *Not Zero: How an Irrational Target Will Impoverish You, Help China (and Won't Even Save the Planet)*. Clark is based in Cambridge.

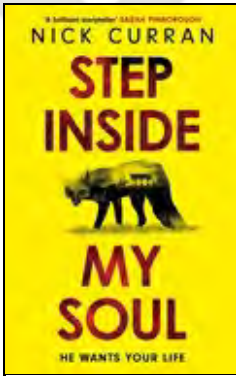
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Step Inside My Soul

Nick Curran

Keynote

An chilling exploration of what happens when you allow a malevolent cuckoo into the nest...

Description

'A brilliant storyteller' SARAH PINBOROUGH

'If you're looking for a dark, disturbing and ultimately devastating read set in the depths of Northumberland then this is the one. Though if you're a writer you might want to read it with the lights on and a house full of friends' Trevor Wood

He wants your life...

Matt Langley used to be somebody. Back in the late '90s his star shone bright. Thanks to his debut novel, the shocking *The Devil's Debt*, he was at the forefront of the Bright Young Things. He was on chat shows and culture shows. He was the man of the moment. And then it all stopped, because there was no second book.

Now, with his marriage to Naz on the rocks, they're trying to start over. They've sold the house that *The Devil's Debt* built and moved to a farmhouse deep in the wilds of Northumbria, where no one knows them, and for a while their new life is fragile but good. Furthermore, Matt's leading a writing group at the library and is even thinking about writing again.

Marlin is part of that writing group. He's a quiet young man who has survived things no kid should ever have to. On meeting Matt he shows him his battered copy of *The Devil's Debt*. The book is filled with underlinings and notes and, he soon discovers, messages from the young man's dead mother.

That book serves as the basis for a bond between the two. Matt feels like they have a kinship, and wants to help the young writer. So, when he and Naz find him sleeping rough they invite him into their house for a week or so, until Marlin is back on his feet. But Marlin is a malevolent cuckoo they've brought into their home. And that was their first big mistake...

PRAISE FOR NICK CURRAN

'I was hooked on *Step Inside My Soul* from the first page. An intelligent story, cleverly written, and with a cast of well-drawn and complex characters. This gripping psychological thriller drips with quiet menace on every page and builds to a satisfyingly shocking conclusion. Absolutely brilliant!' **Russ Thomas**

'Grabs the reader from the very first page - and never lets go' **DAILY MAIL**

'Taut and properly disturbing. . . Impressive' **The Critic**

'Oh boy, this is going to keep you up at night, or abandoning everything else to race through the pages' **Peterborough Telegraph**

'Throws out a great hook and then twists and turns its way to a heartstopping climax' **Stephen Gallagher**

'Not just a ruthlessly compelling novel of suspense but an unflinching examination of the repercussions of a crime. Disturbing, harrowing and moving, it signals the arrival of a new master of crime fiction.' **Ramsey Campbell**

'Taut, compelling, original. An emotionally charged story that will leave you thinking of the main character long after finishing the book. A true page-turner' **J A Corrigan**

'Curran's debut is an absorbing, dark and suspenseful thriller. He is a writer to watch' **David Fennell**

'An utterly gripping Cobenesque mystery keeps you turning the pages fiercely to find out what's happening' **Crime Podcast FM**

Sales Points

- A terrifying psychological thriller with overtones of Stephen King's *Misery*, featuring an isolated farmhouse with no means to escape from the killer trapped inside... with you
- Author has written many tv tie-ins for the Dr Who and Torchwood franchises, winning the International Media Association of Tie-in Writers awards for *Shadow of the Jaguar*,

his Primeval TV tie in.



Author Biography

Nick Curran grew up in Surrey and studied political science, specialising in criminology and psychology in Newcastle. Once graduating, Nick accidentally emigrated to Sweden in 1997, where he lives now with his wife and their feisty little Wheaten terrier, Buster. After a decade as an itinerant teacher in and around Stockholm, he became a full time writer in 2006. Since then, under various pen names, he has written for a number of popular television shows, roleplaying game and comic book franchises, and one very well known computer game. He has won a number of awards for his science fiction and fantasy work, including The International Association of Media Writers Award, and has been nominated for the prestigious People's Book Prize.

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Becky Lynch: The Man Not Your Average Average Girl - The Sunday Times bestseller

Rebecca Quin

Keynote

This compelling and deeply personal memoir from WWE superstar Rebecca Quin - AKA The Man, AKA Becky Lynch - delves into Quin's earliest wrestling days, her scrappy beginnings, and her meteoric rise to fame.

Description

The Sunday Times bestseller - now in paperback

By age seven, Rebecca Quin, now known in the ring as Becky Lynch, was already defying what the world expected of her.

Raised in Dublin, Ireland in a devoutly Catholic family, Rebecca constantly invented new ways to make her mother worry - roughhousing with the neighbourhood kids, getting older and hosting secret parties while her parents were away, enrolling in a warehouse wrestling school, nearly breaking her neck and almost kneecapping a WWE star before her own wrestling career even began - and she was always in search of a thrilling escape from the ordinary.

Rebecca's deep love of wrestling as a child set her on an unlikely path. With few female athletes to look to for guidance, Rebecca pursued a wrestling career hoping to change the culture and move away from the antiquated disrespect so often shown directed at the elite female athletes that grace the ring. Even as a teenager, she knew that she would stop at nothing to earn a space among the greatest wrestlers of our time, and to pave a new path for female fighters.

Culled from decades of journal entries and containing treasured family photos, Rebecca's memoir offers a raw, personal, and honest depiction of the complex woman behind the character Rebecca Quin plays on TV, and a fascinating insight into the world of professional wrestling.

Sales Points

- Becky's memoir is engaging, honest, spiky and funny, offering a great insight into the world of professional wrestling and its major players, which fans will love, as well as a fascinating portrait of growing up in Ireland.
- Wrestling is growing in the UK, with both the WWE and AEW expressing an aim to 'conquer the UK'. The recent ALL IN event in London at Wembley Stadium was attended by 81,035 people, breaking the paid attendance record for a professional wrestling event.
- Becky writes brilliantly about being a woman in a man's sport. After the success of the women's football world cup and the broader conversations about women in sport, Becky's book feels like one to keep the conversation going and add a new female voice to the market. Also notable is a new autobiography from Ronda Rousey, publishing in April 2024.
- The author has a huge fanbase of 13m followers across platforms, with 5.8m on Instagram alone. Irish-born, Becky has a strong number of followers in the UK and Ireland and is committed to reaching them through posts on her channels and events.

Author Biography

Irish-born wrestler **Rebecca Quin**, who uses the ring name Becky Lynch, has become one of the most widely known names in all of WWE over the past few years. Initially working in Ireland, and occasionally teaming with her brother, she soon began wrestling across Europe and North America on the independent circuit for various promotions. She signed a contract with WWE in 2013, assigned to the developmental territory at NXT. Following her push to WWE's main roster, she became the inaugural SmackDown Women's Champion at Backlash 2016 and has held the title four times. In 2018, Lynch transitioned to a more aggressive character starting at SummerSlam, when she attacked Charlotte Flair, presenting herself as an unfairly treated underdog and dubbing herself "The Man", resulting in a large increase in her popularity. In 2019, she won a Royal Rumble match, and at WrestleMania 35 won both the Raw Women's Championship and SmackDown Women's Championship, making her the first woman to hold both titles simultaneously and a four-time WWE women's champion. With her WWE Women's Tag Team Championship win in 2023, she became WWE's Sixth Women's Triple Crown Champion.

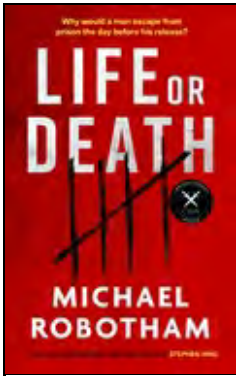
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Life or Death

Michael Robotham

Keynote

THE SHAWSHANK REDEMPTION MEETS NO COUNTRY FOR OLD MEN IN THIS ASTOUNDING STANDALONE THRILLER FROM THE NO.1 AUSTRALIAN BESTSELLER

Description

Why would a man escape from prison the day before his release?

Audie Palmer has spent a decade in prison for an armed robbery in which four people died, including two of the gang. Seven million dollars were never recovered and everybody believes that Audie knows where the money is.

For ten years he has been beaten, stabbed and threatened by prison guards and inmates, who all want to know his secret. But suddenly Audie vanishes, the day before he's due to be released.

Everybody wants to find Audie, but he's not running. Instead he's trying to save a life . . . and not just his own.

Sales Points

- **AN INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER: in 2024** Michael had an overall **No.1 bestseller in Australia**, and to date he's been translated into **26 languages** and sold **8.5 million copies** worldwide
- **A CRITICALLY-ACCLAIMED STANDALONE: *Life or Death* won the CWA Gold Dagger Award** and drew praise from **Stephen King, Lee Child** and more. It's an emotional, heart-racing thriller that's perfect for fans of **Chris Whitaker, M.W. Craven** and **Tim Weaver**
- **FROM BOOK TO SCREEN:** Park Chan-wook is attached to direct a **film of *Life or Death***, and Michael's ***The Secrets She Keeps*** has been made for two BBC series, and an adaptation of ***The Suspect*** was an ITV hit in 2022
- **REISSUED WITH A STRIKING NEW JACKET:** new readers and Robotham fans alike will be drawn to this hooky, high-quality thriller

Awards

Shortlisted for the 2016 Edgar Award for Best Novel
Winner of the 2015 CWA Goldsboro Gold Dagger

Reviews

- '*Life or Death* is a nerve-shredding thriller with the heart and soul so often missing from lesser crime and suspense novels. I couldn't stop reading, yet I didn't want Audie's story to end. Robotham is an absolute master.' - **Stephen King**
- 'I love this guy's books. Try this one and you'll see why' - **Lee Child**
- '[A] superbly exciting thriller... Beautifully written and full of poignancy' - **Sunday Mirror**
- 'Start reading *Life or Death* and you'll want to stay curled up in an armchair with one of the best thrillers you'll read this year' - **Good Book Guide**

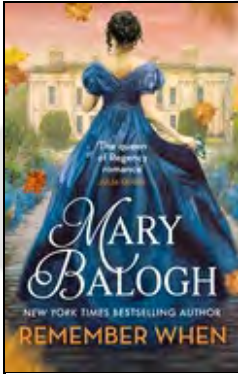
Author Biography

Michael Robotham is a former feature writer and investigative reporter, who has worked in Britain, Australia and America.

His debut thriller, *The Suspect*, introduced clinical psychologist Joe O'Loughlin and sold more than a million copies around the world, launching a nine-book series. It has been adapted into an ITV series starring Aidan Turner. Michael's standalone thriller *The Secrets She Keeps* has also been the basis of two BBC TV series.

He has twice won the prestigious UK Crime Writers' Association Gold Dagger Award for best crime novel, as well as the Ian Fleming Steel Dagger for *When She Was Good*, a Richard & Judy Book Club pick.

Michael lives in Sydney.



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Remember When

Mary Balogh

Keynote

The next in the Ravenswood series by Mary Balogh, bestselling author of The Westcott series. If you loved *Bridgerton*, you'll adore Mary Balogh!

Description

Discover a new heartwarming story from *New York Times* bestselling author and beloved 'queen of Regency romance' Mary Balogh.

The Dowager Countess of Stratton, Clarissa Ware, née Greenfield, has just presented her younger daughter to the ton, and the rest of her life belongs only to herself. She returns to Ravenswood, intending to spend the summer alone there. But the summer has other plans for her.

Born a gentleman, Matthew Taylor has chosen to spend his life as the village carpenter. Growing up, he and Clarissa were close - dangerously so, considering his family's modest fortune. As a young man, he never would have been a suitable match for the daughter of the wealthy Greenfields. Clarissa married Caleb Ware, the Earl of Stratton, so Matthew married another, though he was widowed soon after.

Now everything is different - Clarissa has already lived the life expected of her by society. And Matthew is as attractive and intriguing as he was when they were young. As their summer friendship deepens into romance, they stand together on the precipice of change - essentially the same man and woman they remember being back then, but with renewed passion and the potential to take their lives in an entirely new direction.

Don't miss the first three Ravenswood novels, *Remember Love*, *Remember Me* and *Always Remember* - out now!

Praise for Mary Balogh:

'A grand mistress of the genre' *Romantic Times*

'Balogh is the queen of spicy Regency-era romance, creating memorable characters in unforgettable stories' *Booklist*

'Mary Balogh sets the gold standard in historical romance' Jayne Ann Krentz

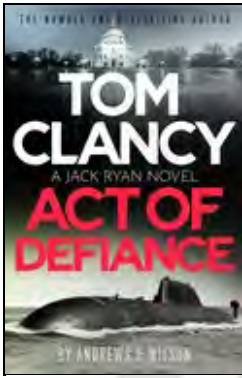
'A romance writer of mesmerising intensity, Mary Balogh has the gift of making a relationship seem utterly real and utterly compelling' Mary Jo Putney

Sales Points

- Mary Balogh is a *New York Times* bestselling author whose Regency-set novels have won her many fans.
- Regency romance is seeing a soar in popularity thanks to the huge success of Julia Quinn's *Bridgerton* on Netflix; Mary Balogh and her extensive back catalogue will appeal to these fans, and readers of Sabrina Jeffries, Lisa Kleypas and Eloisa James.

Author Biography

Mary Balogh is a *New York Times* bestselling author. A former teacher, she grew up in Wales and now lives in Canada. Visit her at www.marybalogh.com



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Tom Clancy Act of Defiance

The unmissable gasp-a-page Jack Ryan thriller

Andrews & Wilson

Keynote

The pulse-racing twenty-fourth instalment in Tom Clancy's groundbreaking, internationally bestselling Jack Ryan series

Description

<H2>Pre-order the pulse-racing new Jack Ryan thriller, TOM CLANCY DEFENSE PROTOCOL, now!</H2>

<H3>FOR JACK RYAN, THE GREATEST THREAT LURKS BENEATH THE WAVES . . . AGAIN.</H3>

US intelligence is reporting turmoil in the Russian navy. Their deadliest submarine, the *Belgorod*, has unexpectedly launched. Who authorised the departure? What mission is it on? And, most disturbing of all, what weapons do the giant doors on the sub's bow hide?

It's been four decades since a similar incident with the Soviet sub, *Red October*, ended happily, thanks to a young CIA analyst named Jack Ryan.

Now, President Jack Ryan finds himself with fleets of ships, squadrons of jets, and teams of SEALs at his command, but what he doesn't have is insight into the plans of the *Belgorod's* commander. It falls to a younger generation of Ryans to do the dangerous work that will reveal that information.

But there's always a price to be paid. When the final moments tick away, will Jack Ryan have to choose between the safety of his country and the safety of his child?

<H3>Reader reviews for ACT OF DEFIANCE</H3>

'Undoubtedly **one of the best books of the series. Riveting**, integrating political and military aspects, with **surprising** shifts and turnings'

'Netflix and prime should be fighting over the movie rights for this great read'

'The author definitely **knows his subject and is well informed** with the politics and command structure. The story is well constructed and leads to a good climax. **Well worth the read'**

'Loved the introduction of new Ryan characters. **A show-stopper book and a must read.** Can't wait for the next one'

Very good read; a **completely absorbing** plot and, as always, **the final outcome fits the bill'**

Sales Points

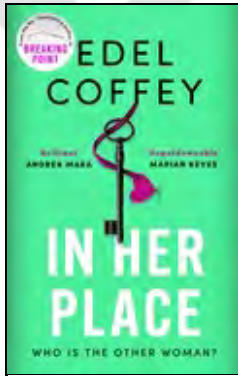
- Over two million Tom Clancy books have been sold in the UK (TCM), half a million in Australia (ABM), and eighteen of his novels were no.1 *New York Times* bestsellers.
- Tom Clancy is the original king of the action thriller, and this novel is perfect for fans of high-octane, blockbuster authors like Lee Child and David Baldacci
- Clancy's brand includes seven feature films and a hit Amazon series: Tom Clancy's Jack Ryan, starring John Krasinski (now going to a fourth series). His books have been adapted into 43 high-profile videogames to date, and sold over 76 million copies, making him one of the most successful brands in entertainment history
- Sphere is the new home of the Tom Clancy frontlist, and this marks a major global relaunch, which will include ten repackaged backlist titles and six new frontlist titles over the next three years

Reviews

- 'Constantly taps the current world situation for its imminent dangers and spins them into an engrossing tale' - *New York Times*
- 'Exhilarating. No other novelist is giving so full a picture of modern conflict' - *Sunday Times*
- 'A brilliantly constructed thriller that packs a punch' - *Daily Mail*
- 'Heart-stopping action . . . entertaining and eminently topical' - *Washington Post*

Author Biography

Tom Clancy was America's, and the world's, favourite international thriller author. Starting with *The Hunt for Red October*, all of his books have hit #1 on the *New York Times* bestseller list. Seven of his novels were made into major motion pictures and *Tom*



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In Her Place a gripping suspense for book clubs, from the award-winning author

Edel Coffey

Keynote

The new novel from the #1 bestselling author of *Breaking Point* and winner of Crime Novel of the Year at the An Post Irish Book Awards. Bookclubs will debate long into the night - who is the other woman here?

Description

From the #1 bestselling author of *Breaking Point* and winner of Crime Novel of the Year at the An Post Irish Book Awards.

Who is the other woman? That's for you to decide.

Ann devoted years to her mother's care - and now she's gone, Ann feels lost.

Justin is also grieving but his wife is still alive. Deborah is in a coma and she doesn't have long left.

Ann quickly moves in with Justin and his little girl, making them the perfect family. But just as Ann settles into her new life, Justin's is turned upside down. Unexpectedly, Deborah has survived. His wife is coming home.

Neither knows what to do. But one thing is for certain: Ann has earned the life that Deborah left behind, and she plans to keep it . . .

Praise for *Breaking Point*:

'**Raw, compelling**, and ground-breaking' Liz Nugent

'A **gripping, compulsive** pageturner about what we expect from women, especially mothers' Marian Keyes

'Prepare to feel **devastated and enraged** all at once' Heat

'**Thought-provoking**' Sun

'A rare treat, an emotional thriller **steeped in humanity**' John Boyne

'Gripping, unswerving, **heart-breaking**' Celia Walden, author of *Payday*

'An **incredibly powerful** thriller with real emotional depth' TM Logan, author of *The Holiday*

Sales Points

- **The Book:** Where *Breaking Point* asked readers to decide whether Susannah was guilty for her daughter's death, this novel asks the reader who is the other woman in this situation - the dying wife unexpectedly home and well or the new girlfriend? We're confident bookclubs will be arguing long into the night over this one.
- **The Track Record:** *Breaking Point* reached #1 in the Irish Times Chart. It stayed in the top ten for three months. Before PB release, we sold 33,594 copies of the first formats across all editions.
- **The Goal:** We've established Edel Coffey as a brilliant novelist in Ireland and we now want to break her out into the UK to sit on shelves alongside Clare Mackintosh, Harriet Tyce, Louise Doughty, Sarah Vaughn and Belinda Bauer.
- **The Platform:** Edel Coffey is a well known and well respected Irish journalist who received a huge amount of press for her debut novel. She has worked hard to establish herself as an author and she was shortlisted for both the Best Debut and the Best Crime novel at the An Post Irish Book Awards for *Breaking Point*. She took home the prize for Best Crime Novel.

Author Biography

Edel Coffey is an Irish journalist and broadcaster. She began work as an arts journalist and editor with the *Sunday Tribune* and has since worked as a presenter and reporter with RTE Radio, and as editor of the *Irish Independent* Weekend Magazine, and Books Editor of the *Irish Independent*. She is a regular contributor to *The Irish Times*, a weekly columnist with the *Irish Examiner*, and Books Editor of *The Gloss* magazine. She lives in Galway with her husband and children. *In Her Place* is her second novel.



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The Wrong Hands

The new intriguing, unique and completely unpredictable Detective Miller mystery

Mark Billingham

Keynote

Detective Declan Miller - dancer, rat owner, widower, master crime solver - returns in the twisty, witty follow-up to the much-praised *Sunday Times* bestseller *The Last Dance*.

Description

<H2>This is one case Miller won't want to open . . .</H2>

<H3>'I'm excited to have found a new favourite detective' **CLAIRE DOUGLAS**</H3>

<H3>'Neat plot twists and a likable cast of offbeat characters, all served up with plenty of black humour' **MAL ON SUNDAY**</H3>

<H3>'Simply fantastic' **LISA JEWELL**</H3>

Unconventional Detective Declan Miller has a problem. Still desperate to solve the murder of his wife, a young man has just appeared on his doorstep with a briefcase . . . containing a pair of severed hands.

Miller knows this case is proof of a contract killing commissioned by local ne'er do well Wayne Cutler - a man he suspects might also be responsible for his wife's death. Now Miller has leverage, but unfortunately he also has something that both Cutler and a villainous fast-food kingpin are desperate to get hold of.

Chuck in a *Midsomer Murders*-obsessed hitman, a psychotic welder and a woman driven over the edge by a wayward Crème Egg, and Miller is in a mess that even he might not be able to dance his way out of.

<H2>READER REVIEWS FOR *THE WRONG HANDS*</H2>

'Brilliant . . . Highly entertaining and a complete change from Tom Thorne, who I have enjoyed for years'

'The characters, structure and storytelling remain as strong as ever. An excellent, enjoyable read'

'A very good plot with plenty of humour'

'What a cracker'

'I love everything about Miller, and can't recommend The Wrong Hands highly enough'

'I really enjoyed The Last Dance, but this one was even better. DS Miller is such a brilliant character'

'Hilarious . . . The Detective Miller books are a breath of fresh air'

Sales Points

- **UPWARD SALES:** The first novel in the Miller series, 2023's *THE LAST DANCE*, has sold 167k copies across formats, **19% up on the previous book**, including 18.5k hardbacks.
- **FANS BUY EARLY:** On the back of fantastic preorders, first-week sales of *THE WRONG HANDS* in hardback were **up 30%** across formats.
- **RAVE REVIEWS:** Both public and critics have taken Detective Miller to their hearts. *The Last Dance* received **incredible reviews** and was shortlisted for the Theakston Crime Novel of the Year Award. *The Wrong Hands* received even more reader love, with a 4.5-star Goodreads rating, 4.6 on Amazon and 5 on Waterstones.
- **ALWAYS A BESTSELLER:** Billingham has had **24 consecutive *Sunday Times* bestsellers**, putting him in an incredibly small group at the top of UK crime fiction
- **LARGE PLATFORM OF READERS:** Billingham is one of the UK's most established crime brands in the UK, a supporter of new authors who tours relentlessly. He has a **devoted reader following**, with 35k on X and 21k on Facebook.

Reviews

- 'Readers rejoice! **A captivating new series** from Mark Billingham, the very best in the business' - *Richard Osman (on The Last Dance)*
- 'Funny, moving, and **full of surprises**' - *Mick Herron (on The Last Dance)*

- 'His highly accomplished performance deserves a **big fat ten**' - *The Times* (on *The Last Dance*)
- 'Funny, moving and **expertly plotted**' - *Guardian* (on *The Last Dance*)

Author Biography

Mark Billingham has won numerous awards, being one of only two authors to twice win the Theakston's Old Peculier Award for Crime Novel of the Year. Each of his novels has been a *Sunday Times* bestseller, including all those in his two series, Tom Thorne and Declan Miller. *Sleepyhead* and *Scaredy Cat* were made into a hit TV series on Sky 1, and a series based on the novels *In the Dark* and *Time of Death* was broadcast on BBC1. Mark lives in north London with his wife and two children.



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The Beloved

J. R. Ward

Keynote

The thrilling and highly anticipated next instalment in the bestselling Black Dagger Brotherhood series!

Description

The daughter of a legend finds the love of a lifetime in this passionate, heart-wrenching instalment in J. R. Ward's #1 New York Times bestselling Black Dagger Brotherhood series . . .

Nalla, the blooded daughter of Zsadist, has led a sheltered life. Protected by her father and the Brotherhood, kept away from the deadly war with the Lessening Society, she is chafing against the walls of the very safety that has ensured her survival. One night, she gives in to her restlessness . . . and finds herself face-to-face with a male whose inner darkness rivals even that of her sire's horrific origins.

Nate is a fighter with nothing to lose-and nothing to live for. Tortured in a human lab as a young, then cursed with immortality, he is all vengeance and no purpose because he cares for no one-not even himself. The Brotherhood knows this all too well, and following Nate's deliberate violation of the cardinal rule in the war, they declare him a dangerous liability that must be dealt with.

When Nalla and Nate find themselves fighting side by side, daggers aren't the only things that fly. A sizzling attraction is ignited, though Nalla knows her sire will never accept him-and on his side, Nate has made a secret bargain to end his own immortality. As the enemy closes in, and Nalla realizes she must choose between her mate and her sire, what starts with such passion may well end with eternal sorrow and no chance of a reunion-even in the Fade.

Find out why readers are OBSESSED with the Black Dagger Brotherhood . . .

'Insanely good! . . . Intensely romantic and straight up flipping steamy, violent and gruesome, heartbreaking and deep. Her addictive writing tells a story like none other'
Goodreads reviewer

'I can't get enough of these sexy, tough, intriguing vampires' **Amazon reviewer**

'Emotional by epic proportions' **Kobo reviewer**

'The Black Dagger Brotherhood is a twisting, often surprising, but always awesome read'
Amazon reviewer

'A must read' **Goodreads reviewer**

'The story had me captivated the whole way' **Kobo reviewer**

'Each and every character is compelling' **Amazon reviewer**

Sales Points

- **FAN FAVOURITE:** Zsadist is back! The beloved hero returns with a story about his and Bella's daughter Nalla. Fan excitement has never been higher!
- **COMING TO THE SCREEN!** Passionflix have optioned the Black Dagger Brotherhood series for film with plans to make all the books in the series with the first going into production next year.
- **MEGASPELLER AND INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER:** With 2 MILLION COPIES of J. R. Ward books sold through Piatkus, J. R. Ward is a stalwart of the paranormal romance genre, who continues to give her fans exactly what they want in the Black Dagger Brotherhood and its popular spinoff worlds.

Author Biography

J.R. Ward is the author of over thirty novels, including those in her #1 *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling series, The Black Dagger Brotherhood. There are more than 15 million copies of Ward's novels in print worldwide and they have been published in 25 different countries around the world.

After graduating from law school, Ward began working in healthcare in Boston and spent many years as Chief of Staff of one of the premier academic medical centers in the nation. She lives in the south with her incredibly supportive husband and her beloved golden retriever. Writing has always been her passion and her idea of heaven is a whole day of nothing but her computer, her dog and her coffee pot.



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Temple of Swoon the perfect enemies-to-lovers adventure romance

Jo Segura

Keynote

A laugh-out-loud romcom with a twist. Perfect for fans of Ali Hazelwood, *The Lost City* and a good old fashioned enemies-to-lovers.

Description

'Everything I wanted: riotous fun, heart-clenching romance, and pitch-perfect characters!' CHRISTINA LAUREN

A laugh-out-loud romcom with a twist. Perfect for fans of Ali Hazelwood, *The Lost City* and a good old fashioned enemies-to-lovers.

Her mission: find the Lost City of the Moon in the Amazon rainforest. His mission: protect the holy temple . . . and his heart.

While her mentor may be the world's most badass archaeologist, the only thing bad about Dr Miriam Jacobs are her corny jokes. But when Miri is charged with leading an unmapped expedition through the Amazon for the fabled Lost City of the Moon, she finally has her chance to prove to her colleagues that she's capable - and hopefully prove it to herself, too.

Journalist Rafael Monfils has joined the archaeological team to chronicle their search for the lost city. Or at least, that's what they think he's doing. Rafa's real goal? Make sure the team does *not* reach the Cidade da Lua, stopping the desecration of the holy city and protecting his mother's legacy. All he needs to do is keep them on the wrong path.

If only the endearingly quirky Dr Jacobs wasn't so damn tenacious - each of Rafa's tricks and purposeful wrong turns only seem to fuel her determination. Even worse, he's charmed by her goofy attempts to channel Lara Croft as they traverse the dangerous Brazilian rainforest. But they're not the only crew hunting for the lost city, and soon the untamed jungle - and their untamed hearts - might be the least of their worries . . .

Why readers love Jo Segura:

'The ultimate enemies-to-lovers adventure romcom!' ALI HAZELWOOD

'Romancing the Stone meets Indiana Jones in this thrilling adventure romance' *Entertainment Weekly*

'A true adventure romcom - filled with snappy banter, heart-pounding twists and turns' ALICIA THOMPSON

'Snappy banter and sizzling tension in an enemies-to-lovers romance' ADRIANA HERRERA

'Everything I'm looking for in an adventure romance. It's full of humour and heart-pounding action, and is steamier than the Amazon itself' JENNA LEVINE

Sales Points

- Perfect for fans of adventure romcoms such as *The Mummy*, *Romancing the Stone*, *Indiana Jones* and *The Lost City* - Jo Segura's new romcom is fast-paced, witty and full of swoony romance

Author Biography

USA Today bestselling author **Jo Segura** lives in the Pacific Northwest with her husband and doggo, who vies for her attention with his sweet puppy dog eyes whenever she's trying to write (her dog, that is . . . though sometimes her husband, too). Her stories feature strong, passionate heroines and draw upon aspects of her life, such as her love of good food, her Mexican heritage, and her fascination with archaeology. When she's not writing you can find her practicing law, shaking up a mean cocktail, or sitting out on the patio doing BuzzFeed quizzes (though she doesn't care what the chicken nugget quiz said - her favourite fruit is *not* banana).

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Once Smitten, Twice Shy

Chloe Liese

Keynote

Star-crossed lovers learn that practicing romance leads to the perfect happy ending in this steamy reimagining of Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*.

Description

Star-crossed lovers learn that practicing romance leads to the perfect happy ending in this steamy reimagining of Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*.

Since heartbreak entered the scene, Juliet Wilmot, once a hopeless romantic, has sworn off love. But when she's presented with the chance to revisit romance-purely for practice-with the gorgeous, off-limits guy she keeps serendipitously running into, it feels like a sign from the universe.

Quiet, shy Will Orsino knows happily-ever-after isn't on his horizon. Problem is, for the sake of the family business, marriage is. Resigned to the inevitable, but with no confidence he can woo a wife, he can hardly say no when fate hands him the alluring, unattainable woman he keeps crossing paths with, offering to help him learn the ropes of romance.

Neither of them looking for love, Jules and Will agree they're the perfect pair to practice romance. Except that practicing to perfection leads to an irresistible attraction. Their once smitten hearts, though still twice shy, might have happily-ever-after written in the stars for them, after all.

Sales Points

- A great new, fun romcom - perfect for TikTok readers and fans of Abby Jimenez and Rosie Danan.

Author Biography

Chloe Liese writes romances reflecting her belief that everyone deserves a love story. Her stories pack a punch of heat, heart, and humour, and often feature characters who are neurodivergent like herself. When not dreaming up her next book, Chloe spends her time wandering in nature, playing soccer, and most happily at home with her family and mischievous cats.

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Binding	Hardback
Format	Royal
Depth	32mm
Extent	320 pages
Word Count	65000 words
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Book locale	Texas, USA
Author living in	Santa Fe, New Mexico

Publishing History
Previously unpublished in the UK.

Previous Titles
<i>The Do-Right</i>
<i>The Bird Boys</i>
<i>The Famous Thing About Death (short story collection)</i>
<i>Message to the Nurse of Dreams (short story collection)</i>
<i>In the River Province (short story collection)</i>

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Sweet Vidalia

Lisa Sandlin

Keynote

Eliza is as unforgettable a character as Olive in Elizabeth Strout's *Olive Kitteridge* and *Olive, Again*.

Description

For readers of Elizabeth Strout and Anne Tyler, a life-affirming novel about marriage, friendship and the powerful dignity of a woman forced to rebuild her life - unexpectedly and alone - in 1960s Texas.

She made herself see Robert with the kids, telling stories of crafty, talking rabbits and determined turtles, his face bright with meanings, with silliness. Made herself see the two of them laughing together in bed, they had done that. That was true. Through the years, they'd had happiness and closeness. They had.

As Eliza sits at her husband's funeral, still stunned by the suddenness of his death, she discovers a lie that turns her life upside down. Almost overwhelmed by the dawning understanding that she has known nothing true about her life, Eliza can't see a way forward at first. How should she come to terms with all that has been a lie? How can she live with herself?

But Eliza has a core of resourceful steel that does not let her down and an innate emotional generosity that she clings to, faced with an almost overwhelming sense of bitterness. Signing up to business classes so she can make a living, she moves into a hotel, The Sweet Vidalia, filled with people facing their own challenges.

As she gathers new friends and new possibilities open up before her, Eliza finds it isn't so simple to leave the past behind....

Sales Points

- For fans of Anne Tyler and Elizabeth Strout: beautifully restrained, uplifting writing with powerful emotions, and characters in whom the reader becomes deeply invested in the character.
- Set in Texas, the home of the hit series *Friday Night Lights* and with the same sense of community and individual struggle for happiness.

Author Biography

Lisa Sandlin graduated from Rice University in Houston, and earned an MFA in Writing at Vermont College. She taught at CMU, SMU, Wayne State College, University of Texas, Kadir Has University in Istanbul, Turkey, and she finished her career as professor emerita at the University of Nebraska Omaha. Sandlin has written four story collections and four novels, and her work has received an NEA Fellowship, a Dobie Paisano Fellowship, a Pushcart Prize, the Violet Crown Award, and the Jesse Jones Award. Sandlin's noir mystery *The Do-Right* won both the Shamus Award and the Hammett Prize. Marilyn Stasio of the *New York Times* chose its sequel, the Edgar-nominated *The Bird Boys*, as one of the 10 best crime books of 2019. Lisa lives in Santa Fe, New Mexico.



Bad Drunk

How I found my freedom from alcohol - and you can too

Millie Mackintosh with Dr Ellie Cannon

Keynote

An essential and practical guide to going alcohol free from entrepreneur, lifestyle influencer and *Made in Chelsea* alumni Millie Mackintosh, writing with NHS GP Dr Ellie Cannon.

Description

Millie Mackintosh took the decision to go alcohol free after observing the impact drinking alcohol was having on her health and wellbeing. Now, more than two years into her sober curious journey, Millie shares her full experience with honesty and warmth, from the events that led to her decision to stop drinking, through to the positive effects of the alcohol-free lifestyle she enjoys today. Writing with NHS GP Dr Ellie Cannon, *Bad Drunk* combines practical, scientific advice with Millie's personal experience - what has worked for her, what hasn't, what she has struggled with as well as tips and advice on how to navigate the road ahead.

Whether you're simply looking to cut back your alcohol consumption, you're ready to quit drinking altogether or you want to understand how to help a loved one, *Bad Drunk* will be an essential guide that will help you make decisions for your future health and happiness.

Sales Points

- The engagement on this subject from Millie's social media existing audience has been high and continues to grow with weekly outreach from podcasts and publications looking to Millie as a spokesperson on this subject.
- It is now estimated that around 40% of adults in the UK are trying to moderate their alcohol consumption. In 2022, the alcohol-free and low-alcohol category was worth £255 million.

Author Biography

Entrepreneur, style icon and Made In Chelsea Alumni, Millie Mackintosh, has built an infamous namesake brand connecting with a devoted social community. A passionate advocate for mental health and entering the third year of her sober curious journey, Millie has created a safe space for discussion and sharing resources, helping others interested in exploring an alcohol-free lifestyle. She lives in London with her two daughters and husband.

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Depth	22mm
Extent	224 pages
Word Count	60000 words
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Series	The Lost Night Files
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In the Lost Night Files trilogy: SLEEP NO MORE; THE NIGHT ISLAND

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Shattering Dawn

Jayne Ann Krentz

Keynote

A thrilling romance from bestselling author Jayne Ann Krentz, and the third in a new series.

Description

'Sparkles with wit and clever plotting' *Publishers Weekly*

'Sexy . . . clever, fun' *Kirkus Reviews*

An unsettling investigation teaches two deeply suspicious people how to trust in the next thrilling novel of the Lost Night Files trilogy by New York Times bestselling author Jayne Ann Krentz.

Amelia Rivers, a member of the Lost Night Files podcast team, hires private investigator Gideon Sweetwater to catch the stalker who has been watching her. Amelia suspects the stalker may be connected to the shadowy organization responsible for the night that she and her two friends lost to amnesia - a night that upended their lives and left them with paranormal talents.

Gideon suspects that Amelia is either paranoid or an outright con artist, but he can't resist the chemistry between them. He takes the case despite his skepticism. For her part, Amelia has second thoughts about the wisdom of employing the mysterious Mr. Sweetwater. She is wary of the powerful attraction between them, and deeply uneasy about the nightmarish paintings on the walls of his home. She senses they were inspired by his own dreamscapes.

Amelia knows she doesn't have time to find another investigator, and Gideon is forced to reckon with the truth when he disrupts what was intended to be Amelia's kidnapping. Now the pair is on the run, with no choice but to return to the haunting ruins of the old hotel where Amelia's lost night occurred. They are desperate to stop a killer and the people who are conducting illegal experiments with a dangerous drug that is designed to enhance psychic abilities. If they are to survive, they will have to trust each other and the passion that bonds them.

Find out why readers are RAVING about Jayne Ann Krentz:

'Krentz expertly entwines high-stakes suspense, a paranormal-spiked plot, and a generous dollop of sexy romance with delightfully dry wit as she launches a thrilling and chilling new series' *Booklist* (starred review)

'A smart, creative series start from a romance master who always entertains' *Kirkus Reviews* (starred review)

Sales Points

- MEGA-SELLING AUTHOR! We've sold **over 3 million copies** of Jayne Ann Krentz's novels - she is a many times *New York Times* bestseller, and is **perfect for fans of Nora Roberts or Sandra Brown**.

Author Biography

Jayne Ann Krentz, who also writes historical and futuristic fiction under the pseudonyms Amanda Quick and Jayne Castle respectively, has more than fifty NEW YORK TIMES bestsellers under various pen names; more than twenty-five million copies of her books are in print. She lives in the Pacific Northwest. Visit her at www.krentz-quick.com



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Lazarus Man

Richard Price

Keynote

In this electrifying novel, Richard Price, the author of *Clockers* and a writer on *The Wire*, gives us razor-sharp anatomy of an ever-changing Harlem.

Description

'An affecting novel by a literary urbanologist in top form' *Kirkus Reviews* (Starred Review)

In this electrifying novel, Richard Price, the author of *Clockers* and a writer on *The Wire*, gives us razor-sharp anatomy of an ever-changing Harlem.

In *Lazarus Man*, Richard Price, one of the greatest chroniclers of life in urban America, creates intertwining portraits of a group of compelling and singular characters whose lives are permanently impacted by the disaster.

East Harlem, 2008. In an instant, a five-story tenement collapses into a fuming hill of rubble, pancaking the cars parked in front and coating the street with a thick layer of ash. As the city's rescue services and media outlets respond, the surrounding neighborhood descends into chaos. At day's end, six bodies are recovered, but many of the other tenants are missing.

Anthony Carter--whose miraculous survival, after being buried for days beneath tons of brick and stone, transforms him into a man with a message and a passionate sense of mission.

Felix Pearl--a young transplant to the city, whose photography and film work that day provokes in this previously unformed soul a sharp sense of personal destiny.

Royal Davis--owner of a failing Harlem funeral home, whose desperate trolling of the scene for potential "customers" triggers a quest to find another path in life.

And Mary Roe--a veteran city detective who, driven in part by her own family's brutal history, becomes obsessed with finding Christopher Diaz, one of the building's missing.

Price, the bestselling author of *Lush Life* and, most recently, *The Whites*, has created a bravura portrait of a community on the edge of disintegration. Rich with indelible characters and high drama, *Lazarus Man* is a riveting work of suspense and social vision by one of our major writers.

Sales Points

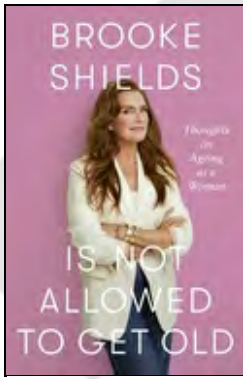
- Richard Price is the bestselling author of *Lush Life* and a writer on *The Wire*
- *Lazarus Man* is a lead title for FSG - this and Sally Rooney will lead their programme in the Fall
- *Publishers Weekly* named *Lazarus Man* a Top Ten selection in the Literary Fiction category in their Fall Preview issue
- 'An affecting novel by a literary urbanologist in top form' *Kirkus Reviews* (Starred Review)

Reviews

- "An affecting novel by a literary urbanologist in top form" - *Kirkus Reviews* (Starred Review)
- "Price delivers **a remarkable excavation of urban angst** in this story of a five-story East Harlem tenement building that collapses . . . As [Price's] vivid characters cross paths following the tragedy, they compose a searing snapshot of contemporary Harlem annotated with the author's precise observations . . . **Price once again proves he's the bard of New York City street life**" - *Publishers Weekly* (starred review)
- "All of Richard Price's manifold gifts - the voices he can do, those of the street, those of the fuzz; his panoramic plotting; his kinetic prose - these things are steeped, in *Lazarus Man*, in a new kind of hard-won wisdom that's very mellow and very sweet. **His people not only break your heart, they hand you back the pieces so you can peer within and know yourself a little better**" - *Jonathan Lethem*

Author Biography

Richard Price is the author of nine previous novels-including *Clockers* and *Lush Life*-all of which have won universal praise for their vividly etched portrayals of urban America. He has written for television dramas, including *The Night Of*, *The Deuce*, and *The Wire*, as well as numerous screenplays, including *Sea of Love*, *Ransom*, and *The Color of Money*, directed by Martin Scorsese, for which he received a nomination for the Academy Award for Best Adapted Screenplay. He lives in Manhattan with his wife, the novelist Lorraine Adams.



Brooke Shields is Not Allowed to Get Old Thoughts on ageing as a woman

Brooke Shields

Keynote

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

Description

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

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.

This is an era, insists Brooke, when women are reclaiming agency and power, not receding into the shadows. These are the years when we get to decide how we want to live - when we get to write our own stories.

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.

Sales Points

- BROOKE SHIELDS IS NOT ALLOWED TO GET OLD is a blend of personal narrative, expert interviews, and practical advice which focuses on revealing the unspoken truths of maturing. By breaking down the biology and psychology behind ageing, Brooke and Rachel encourage women to lean into this next phase of life as opposed to shying away from it. They masterfully spin the idea of a mid-life crisis into a second wind of opportunity and self-discovery.
- This will be an empowering guide that sits squarely in the growing market for books aimed at women in their mid-40s upwards but with the point of difference that this book's focus is not the menopause - menopause is touched on, but this book will take a much more holistic view of this point in a woman's life looking more broadly at topics including confidence, beauty, sex, friendships and career.

Author Biography

Brooke Shields is an actress, author, mother, and wife. She is the author of two previous books, *Down Came the Rain* and *There Was a Little Girl*. She resides with her family in New York City, where she was born.

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The Outcast Mage an unmissable epic fantasy debut packed with adventure, intrigue and dragonfire (Book One of the Shattered Lands)

Annabel Campbell

Keynote

The Outcast Mage follows the story of a young woman in search of her own identity, whose magical power may make or break the entire world, in this sweeping epic fantasy debut full of intrigue, magic and dragons

Description

'Truly enchanting' Trudi Canavan

***The Outcast Mage* is an unmissable epic fantasy debut, packed with adventure, mystery and dragonfire, where a young mage's struggle to master her magical powers could spell disaster for an entire continent**

In the glass city of Amoria, magic is everything. And Naila, student at the city's academy, is running out of time to prove she can control hers. If she fails, she'll be forced into exile . . . or consumed by her own power.

When a tragic incident threatens her place at the Academy, Naila is saved by Haelius Akana, the most powerful living mage. Haelius risks his reputation to help her to harness her abilities, but he has many enemies who desire him - and Naila - to fail. Trapped in the deadly schemes of Amoria's elite, Naila must discover the truth of her powers, or watch Amoria descend into civil war.

For there is danger brewing on the wind, and greater forces at work across the wider world. Forces who could use her powers for good . . . or destroy everything she's ever known.

***'The Outcast Mage* is a spectacular debut, full of heart and magic, with complex, courageous characters and a blossoming underdog you cannot help but cheer on. Campbell is a shining new talent in fantasy'** Cameron Johnston

***'Disaster wizards galore, rich political intrigue, and a hint of dragonfire, The Outcast Mage* reminds me why I love epic fantasy so much. If you like Trudi Canavan and Garth Nix, you're going to adore this'** Georgia Summers

***'With stakes as high as the glittering glass towers of Amoria, The Outcast Mage* is a strong, pathos-filled start to an epic new fantasy series. Fans of political maneuvering, powerful magic and found family will find much to love'** Julie Leong

'Annabel Campbell has created a rich fantasy, textured with complex politics and mysteries upon mysteries' Joma West

***The Outcast Mage* is a shining joy of a book. In a deft twist on epic fantasy, Campbell spins a captivating world out of glass and sand, and populates it with people who are brave and flawed and truly human'** Lorraine Wilson

Sales Points

- This is a beautifully written epic fantasy that balances intimate relationships against a backdrop of revolution and a deeper central mystery
- With its inventive magic system, vibrant non-western setting and diverse cast of characters, *The Hollow Mage* will appeal to fans of *City of Brass*, *The Bone Shard Daughter*, *The Poppy War* and *The Priory of the Orange Tree*
- A major debut hardback release for Orbit, with coordinated publicity and marketing campaigns in both the UK and USA
- The author is very active on social media, and well connected to the online book/reading community

Reviews

- **'Truly enchanting'** - Trudi Canavan
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Author Biography

Annabel writes fantasy with fierce female characters and disaster wizards, and believes everything is improved by dragons. She lives in tiny village in Scotland, where most of her neighbours are sheep. She has a PhD in cardiovascular science, and when not making things up for a living, she works as a Medical Writer. Her other joys are red wine, playing games, or showing you too many pictures of her dog.

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The Monsters We Are

An addictive world awaits in this spicy fantasy romance . . .

Suzanne Wright

Keynote

A brand new trilogy from worldwide bestselling author Suzanne Wright, author of *The Dark in You*. A seriously spicy fantasy romance perfect for fans of Sarah J Mass, Raven Kennedy and Scarlett Sinclair. Meet Wynter and Cain . . .

Description

A brand new trilogy from worldwide bestselling author Suzanne Wright, author of *The Dark in You*, continues. A seriously spicy fantasy romance perfect for fans of Sarah J Mass, Raven Kennedy and Scarlett Sinclair. Meet Wynter and Cain . . .

'This wonderfully wicked lady never fails to deliver the absolute best always . . . I'm equal parts envious and in awe of her mind' **Netgalley review**

'Please Suzanne don't ever stop writing' **Netgalley review**

What readers are saying about Suzanne Wright:

'The chemistry sizzles off the page' **Netgalley review**

'Hot as hell . . . explosive' **Netgalley review**

'It's been two minutes since my last fix and I need Suzanne Wright to give me more' **Eggy Reviews**

'No words to describe how much I ADORE this extraordinary and magical read!!!!' **Gi's Spot Reviews on Burn**

'Sarcastic banter, a sexy alpha demon and his smart-mouthed heroine, an intense, highly passionate romance . . . I devoured this book from start to finish!' **The Escapist Book Blog on Burn**

'Unique, original and very entertaining' **Ramblings from this Chick**

Sales Points

- A brand new fantasy romance trilogy, full of magic and moxy - seriously spicy and dangerously addictive. Perfect for fans of Sarah J Maas, Raven Kennedy and Jennifer Armentrout.
- We've now sold almost 350,000 copies of Suzanne Wright's *The Dark in You* series. This new trilogy is even spicier, more magic, bigger, better and coming at the perfect time for a whole generation of TikTok fans to discover Suzanne's addictive writing!

Author Biography

Suzanne Wright lives in England with her husband and two children. When she's not spending time with her family, she's writing, reading or doing her version of housework - sweeping the house with a look.

She's worked in a pharmaceutical company, at a Disney Store, at a primary school as a voluntary teaching assistant, at the RSPCA and has a First Class Honours degree in Psychology and Identity Studies.

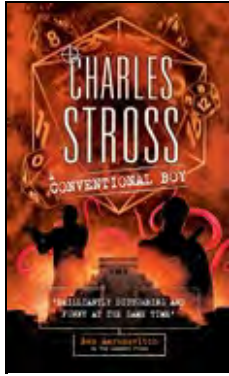
As to her interests, she enjoys reading, writing, reading, writing (sort of eat, sleep, write, repeat), spending time with her family, movie nights with her sisters and playing with her two Bengal kittens.

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Previous Titles

The Laundry Files, from The Atrocity Archives (bk1) to The Labyrinth Index (bk 9)

1st Serial	Little, Brown Book Group Ltd
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A Conventional Boy

Charles Stross

Keynote

Publishing just ahead of the final Laundry Files novel (*The Regicide Report*, summer 2025), this collection includes the short Laundry Files novel *A Conventional Boy* - inspired by the 1980s Satanic Panic - and two other short stories in this joyous celebration of all things Laundry Files. For fans of *Slow Horses* and *Stranger Things*.

Description

In *A Conventional Boy*, the fate of the world will depend on a roll of the dice... twenty-sided dice, that is.

In 1984, Derek Reilly was just another teenage nerd growing up in middle England. But his love of D&D caused him to fall afoul of the Laundry, a government agency tasked with suppressing supernatural threats. It turns out that sometimes ninth level wizard spells drawn on the back of your maths textbook can look suspiciously like *actual* magic...

Decades later, Derek is a long-term inmate at Camp Sunshine, a centre for deprogramming captured cultists. But Derek finally has reason to escape, and an escape plan to out into action: he wants to attend his first gaming convention. While Derek's D&D games were fictional, a game at the con really *is* a dread ritual designed to summon a great evil into our world, and it's up to Derek and his players to stop them.

The fate of the world may depend on the contents of Derek's dice bag.

The Laundry Files series follows an agency of British spies who deal with supernatural threats; they also have to deal with chronic underfunding, government ministers, rival agencies and worst of all, each other. Think *Slow Horses* crossed with the monsters from *Stranger Things*, this series is funny, nerdy, and a cult classic.

Publishing just ahead of the final Laundry Files novel (*The Regicide Report*, summer 2025), this new collection includes the never before published Laundry Files novel *A Conventional Boy* - inspired by the 1980s Satanic Panic - and two other short stories in this joyous celebration of all things Laundry Files.

In this collection:

*A CONVENTIONAL BOY (53.3k words)

*DOWN ON THE FARM (12.7k words)

*OVERTIME (8.7k words)

also includes exclusive afterword from Charles Stross

Sales Points

- This year will see the last ever Laundry Files novel being published - THE REGICIDE REPORT, summer 2025 - so expect 2025 to be a celebration of twenty years of the Laundry Files, with a big campaign on Orbit channels.
- This series follows an agency of British spies who deal with supernatural threats; they also have to deal with chronic underfunding, government ministers, rival agencies and worst of all, each other. Think *Slow Horses* crossed with the monsters from *Stranger Things*. (Did you know: they're called 'the Laundry' because in the great tradition of London spy novels, the agency headquarters is somewhere incongruous, in this case above a Laundry shop in Soho).
- Co-published with Tor USA, this will be a book with huge global reach and publicised across both Tor.com and Orbit channels

Reviews

- 'Stross at the top of his game - which is to say, few do it better' - KIRKUS on THE RHESUS CHART - starred review
- 'Brilliantly disturbing and funny at the same time' - Ben Aaronovitch on THE RHESUS CHART
- 'Stross has pulled off yet another fast-paced blend of espionage thrills, office comedy and Lovecraftian horror . . . ferociously enjoyable' - SFX on THE RHESUS CHART
- 'Alternately chilling and hilarious' - PUBLISHERS WEEKLY on THE RHESUS CHART

Author Biography

Charles Stross is a full-time science fiction writer and resident of Edinburgh, Scotland. The author of seven Hugo-nominated novels and winner of three Hugo awards for best novella, he has won numerous other awards and been translated into at least twelve other languages.

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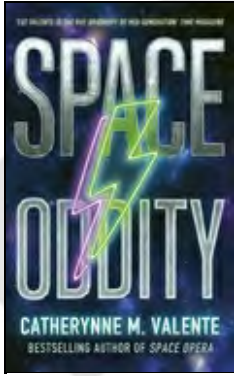
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Space Oddity

Catherynne M. Valente

Keynote

Return to the greatest contest in the galaxy in this sequel to the hilarious Space Opera from New York Times bestselling author Catherynne M. Valente.

Description

The Metagalactic Grand Prix - part gladiatorial contest, part beauty pageant, part concert extravaganza, and part continuation of the wars of the past - returns, and the fate of the Earth is once again threatened.

After finishing in tenth place in the 100th Metagalactic Grand Prix, Decibel Jones and the Absolute Zeros are on their mandatory eleven-and-three-quarters-month tour. As they prepare for the 101st edition of the contest, civilizations opposed to peace have been plotting and want to take down the upstarts. But always remember, at the Metagalactic Grand Prix, everyone cheats.

Can humanity rise again in this sequel to the beloved Hugo Award-nominated national bestselling Space Opera?

Sales Points

- The first book in this series, *Space Opera*, was a finalist for both the Hugo Award for best novel 2019 and the Locus Award for Best Science Fiction Novel 2019, so there's definitely more prize potential here.
- Although this is a sequel to *Space Opera* it can also be enjoyed as a standalone.

Author Biography

Catherynne M. Valente is the *New York Times* bestselling author of over two dozen works of fiction and poetry, including *Palimpsest*, the Orphan's Tales series, *Deathless*, *Radiance*, and the crowdfunded phenomenon *The Girl Who Circumnavigated Fairyland in a Ship of Her Own Making* (and the four books that followed it). She is the winner of the Andre Norton, Tiptree, Sturgeon, Eugie Foster Memorial, Mythopoeic, Rhysling, Lambda, Locus, and Hugo awards, as well as the Prix Imaginales. Valente has also been a finalist for the Nebula and World Fantasy Awards. She lives on an island off the coast of Maine with a small but growing menagerie of beasts, some of which are human.

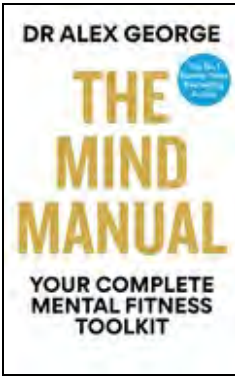
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The Mind Manual

Your Complete Mental Fitness Toolkit

Dr Alex George

Keynote

Your ultimate handbook for mental fitness from the No.1 *Sunday Times* bestselling author.

Description

Your complete mental fitness toolkit by Dr Alex George

'How are you? No really, how are you?'

Learn how to assess your mental health today and understand what's normal for you. This is the mental health toolkit that will help you thrive.

The Mind Manual is broken down into four parts with each one building on the last. The goal is to help you to establish your baseline, to know what peace feels like to you. And then to offer advice and tools to help you maintain that as much as possible.

Part 1 looks at how to figure out where your baseline is and what normal feels like for you. It's all about recognising your own needs so that you can best support yourself when issues arise.

Part 2 explores the seven universal truths and how they can support you when you mind is telling you lies. These seven truths are: Connection is your superpower; Sleep will save you; Boundaries are beautiful; Mistakes are a must-have; Stress is the enemy; You are enough; Happiness is an inside job.

Part 3 focuses on the foundations of mental fitness and explores the five different areas of life. These include what you eat and drink, how you release stress from your body, how much you move, how to talk out your thoughts and how to approach the medical side of things.

Part 4 is your mental health toolkit, where you'll find a wide range of worksheets and activity tools to use. These can help while reading the book, but can also be used regularly in your day-to-day life to check in on how you're coping.

Sales Points

- **Expert author:** Dr. Alex George is a TV doctor, author, and Youth Mental Health Ambassador to the government. Alex has become a well known and respected figure amongst healthcare professionals in the UK.
- **Accessible information:** Mental fitness tools for everyone means title has wide appeal. Accessible and credible information.
- **Well-known author:** Dr Alex has over 3 million followers across Instagram, TikTok, YouTube and his hit podcast, *Stompcast*. People are familiar with his work, and he can use his social media platforms to promote his books.
- **Bestselling author:** In the bestselling tradition of Dr Rangan Chatterjee, Dr Megan Rossi and Dr Rupy Aujla.
- Dr Alex is a regular expert guest on *Lorraine*, Sky News, Capital FM and more.

Author Biography

Dr Alex George is a presenter, bestselling author and Youth Mental Health Ambassador to the government. He is also the co-founder of Mettle, the mental fitness app for men, and has become a well-known and respected figure among healthcare professionals in the UK from his years as an A&E doctor.

Alex's hugely successful podcast, *Stompcast*, promotes the importance of walking in nature for mental and physical wellbeing. His first book, *Live Well Every Day*, published in 2021, and his first children's book, *A Better Day: Your Positive Youth Mental Health Handbook*, won Book of the Year for Children's Non-Fiction at The British Book Awards in 2023.



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LifeStyled

Your Guide to a More Organized & Intentional Life

Shira Gill

Keynote

The third book from Shira Gill author of *Minimalista* and *Organized Living*, this time extending her organizing techniques to health, wellbeing and relationships, alongside home and working environment.

Description

"Equal parts pragmatic and inspiring, Shira Gill presents a realistic and empathetic plan for crafting a more intentional life in a chaotic world."

-**Cal Newport**, *New York Times*-bestselling author of *Slow Productivity* and *Digital Minimalism*

"Shira Gill is the funniest, wisest, most entertaining writer in the organizing game."

-**Adam Mansbach**, #1 *New York Times*-bestselling author of *Go the F**k to Sleep*

Transform your entire life by cutting mental clutter, reducing overwhelm, and simplifying your daily routines with this inspiring and comprehensive guide from the bestselling author of *Minimalista* and *Organized Living*.

As a professional home organizing expert with a diverse roster of clients ranging from students to CEOs, Shira Gill realized that almost everyone she worked with was overextended, overscheduled, and overwhelmed. So, using her signature blend of practical minimalism and organization, Shira designed a simple tool kit to instantly create more spaciousness, ease, and freedom in every part of your life, regardless of lifestyle or budget.

Featuring stunning full-colour photographs throughout, *LifeStyled* is built around three key steps: adjusting volume, creating systems, and implementing habits.

Part One shares the tools to transform your home, life, mindset, and schedule. Part Two will kickstart you into action with real-life examples, actionable prompts, and easy wins—little things you can integrate or practice for quick, transformative results.

Chapters include:

- Health and Wellness
- Home and Environment
- Relationships and Community
- Career and Finance
- Personal Development

Sales Points

- **SALES SUCCESS** Mitchell Beazley have sold 18,000 copies of Shira Gill's stylish guides to organizing.
- **STRONG COVERAGE** Shira's previous books have been featured in the *Sunday Times*, *Harper's Bazaar* and *Vogue*.
- **A SIMPLE TOOL KIT** using her signature blend of practical minimalism and organization, Shira has designed a simple tool kit to instantly create more spaciousness, ease, and freedom in every part of your life, regardless of lifestyle or budget.

Reviews

- 'Equal parts pragmatic and inspiring, Shira Gill presents a realistic and empathetic plan for crafting a more intentional life in a chaotic world.' - Cal Newport, *New York Times*-bestselling author of *Slow Productivity* and *Digital Minimalism*
- 'Shira Gill is the funniest, wisest, most entertaining writer in the organizing game.' - Adam Mansbach, #1 *New York Times*-bestselling author of *Go the F**k to Sleep*

Author Biography

Shira Gill is the creative force behind Shira Gill Home, a lifestyle brand and popular blog, and founder of the #15minwin productivity hack. Her Virtual Closet Makeover Program and Virtual Work Space Makeover Program sell out instantly and have garnered attention from A-list celebrities, Olympic athletes and tech entrepreneurs. Shira is the author of *Minimalista* and has contributed to various publications including *Real Simple*, *Sunset*, *Goop*, and *Parents*. Her work and home have also been featured in *Apartment Therapy*, *Rue*, *Style Me Pretty*, *My Domaine*, *Domino*, and *Remodelista*. Shira is based in Berkeley and lives with her husband, two daughters, and Mini Australian Shepherd, Patches. She has been featured in the *Sunday Times* style section, *You* magazine and *Harper's Bazaar*.

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The Love That Dares Letters of LGBTQ+ Love & Friendship Through History Rachel Smith & Barbara Vesey

Keynote

An intimate and inspiring collection of letters revealing some of the greatest queer love stories in history.

Description

"What this charming, moving and fascinating collection proves is that the [letter] form itself - a scribbled note, a declaration of love, an outpouring of passion, a bitter word - has always been with us." - Mark Gatiss

A good love letter can speak across centuries, and reassure us that the agony and the ecstasy one might feel today have been shared by lovers long gone. In ***The Love That Dares***, queer love speaks its name through a wonderful selection of surviving letters between lovers and friends, confidants and companions.

Alongside the more famous names coexist beautifully written letters by lesser-known lovers. Together, they weave a narrative of queer love through the centuries, through the romantic, often funny, and always poignant words of those who lived it.

Including letters written by:

John Cage
Audre Lorde
Benjamin Britten
Lorraine Hansberry
Walt Whitman
Vita Sackville-West
Radclyffe Hall
Allen Ginsberg

Sales Points

- There is an enduring fascination with the untold stories of queer historical figures: TV show *Gentleman Jack* used the diaries of Anne Lister to shed light on the lesbian experience in the 1800s, and 2019 film *Vita & Virginia* was based on love letters between Virginia Woolf and Vita Sackville-West.
- Perfect gift for Valentine's Day or stocking filler at Christmas

Reviews

- 'What this charming, moving and fascinating collection proves is that the [letter] form itself - a scribbled note, a declaration of love, an outpouring of passion, a bitter word - has always been with us.' - *Mark Gatiss*

Author Biography

Rachel Smith was born in Providence, raised in Hope, Rhode Island, and currently resides in London, where she is an archivist at Bishopsgate Institute. She is also an award-winning screenwriter. *The Love That Dares* is her first work of non-fiction, after releasing a collection of her poetry and photography, *Words & Pictures*, in 2016. In her free time, Rachel enjoys coffee, travel, knitting, her dog and her wife.

Barbara Vesey was raised in New York but, having seen *Mary Poppins* at an impressionable age, eventually moved to London. Once accused of being a 'rampant feminist' - an epithet she was delighted to receive - after 25 years as a writer, editor and proofreader she retrained as an archivist. She is proud to work at the archives of both the Bishopsgate Institute and the Society of the Sacred Heart. Through sheer luck she has two amazing children and a world-class collection of art postcards.

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The Slimming Foodie Air Fryer BRAND NEW Quick, easy, healthy meals all under 600 calories

Pip Payne

Keynote

80 quick and healthy air fryer meals, all under 600 calories

Description

Let the *Sunday Times* bestselling author show you how to save money, time and calories using the air fryer!

The Slimming Foodie is back with 80 deliciously simple recipes for the nation's favourite appliance. Using everyday ingredients that won't break the bank and clever swaps to cut down on the calories, these meals will keep the whole family eating healthily throughout the week.

The Slimming Foodie is known for her simple approach to food. You don't need to spend hours in the kitchen to cook good food, and healthy eating doesn't have to be boring.

Try tasty Char Siu Pork, or an irresistible easy roasted Ratatouille. Discover how to cook the Perfect Steak or the ultimate 5-Minute Chocolate Brownies. Or recreate your favourite takeaways like Tandoori Roast Chicken or Special Chow Mein for a fraction of the price. With full nutritional breakdowns for every recipe, this mouthwatering range of simple recipes under 600 calories proves healthy eating for the whole family has never been easier.

The Slimming Foodie in One was a Sunday Times Bestseller on 24th April 2022

Praise for the Slimming Foodie:

'Pip Payne is on a mission to help us eat well, without feeling we're on a diet.' - *BEST*

Sales Points

- The first four Slimming Foodie books have sold more than 120,000 copies TCM
- The Slimming Foodie has a combined social media following of over 450,000
- Based on the award-winning blog, which has received over 7 million visits to date
- Pip has received three industry awards since the blog's creation in 2015 and continues to be one of the best-connected food bloggers, having collaborated with Danielle Woolf and Becky Excell, among others. She is a judge for the Guild of Food Writers awards

Author Biography

Pip Payne is the creator of the award-winning blog The Slimming Foodie. Keeping a love of food at the fore, Pip's approach is about bringing back convenient home cooking by making healthy recipes that are accessible to a new wave of home cooks. In her books, Pip shows readers how to prepare great tasting meals that are cooked from scratch, while cutting down on fat and sugar and following science-led nutrition advice.

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Your Child Next

A pulse-pounding and heart-wrenching thriller about every parent's worst nightmare

M. J. Arlidge and Andy Maslen

Keynote

From *Sunday Times* bestseller M.J. Arlidge and international bestselling author Andy Maslen comes an explosive and heart-wrenching story about every parent's worst nightmare.

Description

THEY'VE FAKED YOUR CHILD'S DEATH. AND IF YOU DON'T GIVE THEM WHAT THEY WANT, THEY'LL MAKE IT A REALITY.

Things have been difficult for Annie since her husband left; her teenage daughter, Isla, has become a ghost of her former self. Annie's terrified that Isla might do something desperate, and she'll lose her, too. **So when Annie receives a video of herself crying at Isla's funeral, her blood runs cold.**

Confused and horrified, Annie races upstairs to check on Isla, who is alive and well. The video has been faked. But who sent it and what do they want?

One dark truth soon becomes clear: **Annie is the latest in a string of parents being blackmailed, and Isla will be killed if Annie goes to the police or if she fails to give the sender what they want.** Annie has a deadly choice: comply with the demands, or try to unmask the dangerous criminal.

***Your Child Next* is a thrilling and unputdownable novel that asks you how far you'd go to protect the ones you love. Perfect for fans of Harlan Coben and Steve Cavanagh.**

Sales Points

- A blockbuster brand author: M.J. Arlidge has sold over 2 million copies of his books in the UK - he's the author of over ten *Sunday Times* bestsellers in his much-loved Helen Grace series.
- Internationally renowned: an international bestseller in various international territories, and his books have sold in well over 20 languages
- Every single one of his DI Helen Grace thrillers has been a *Sunday Times* and eBook bestseller

Author Biography

M.J. Arlidge has worked in television for the last twenty years, specialising in high-end drama production, including prime-time crime serials *Silent Witness*, *Torn*, *The Little House* and, most recently, the hit ITV show *Innocent*. In 2015 his audiobook exclusive *Six Degrees of Assassination* was a number-one bestseller. His debut thriller, *Fenny Meeny*, was the UK's bestselling crime debut of 2014 and has been followed by ten more DI Helen Grace thrillers - all *Sunday Times* bestsellers.

Andy Maslen writes thrillers across a number of genres: police procedurals, vigilante, psychological, suspense and horror. He spent 30 years in business before turning to writing full time. He is the creator of best-selling series featuring Gabriel Wolfe, Stella Cole and Inspector Ford, plus standalone novels and short stories. He lives in Wiltshire.

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Fans of Harlan Coben and Steve Cavanagh

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Previous Titles

The Mistborn Saga
The Stormlight Archive
The Skyward Series

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Skyward Series Boxed Set

Brandon Sanderson

Keynote

Gathered together in this boxed set are books 1-5 of the incredible Skyward series, from international bestselling author Brandon Sanderson.

Description

Brought together in this boxed set is the complete Skyward series of novels, by fantasy legend Brandon Sanderson.

Dive into an epic world, filled with danger, conspiracy and a girl who will travel beyond the stars to save the world she loves from destruction... For she'll go to the end of the galaxy to save humankind if she needs to.

Follow Spensa's journey skyward - from beginning to end - in this searing science fiction series by worldwide phenomenon, Brandon Sanderson.

Contains:

Skyward
Starsight
Cytonic
Skyward Flight (co-written with Janci Patterson)
Defiant

Praise for Brandon Sanderson

"Epic in every sense" -**The Guardian** on *The Way of Kings*

"Brandon Sanderson's reputation is finally as big as his novels" -**The New York Times** on *Words of Radiance*

"If you're a fan of fantasy and haven't read the Mistborn trilogy yet, you have no excuses" -**Forbes** on *Mistborn*

"A fresh view of how a world can grow, building new dimensions into the best of the old. Sanderson continues to show that he is one of the best authors in the genre" -**Library Journal** (starred review) on *The Alloy of Law*

"Sanderson's fresh ideas on the source and employment of magic are both arresting and original [...] Think brisk. Think fun. Enjoy" -**Kirkus**, on *The Alloy of Law*

"Mystery, magic, romance, political wrangling, religious conflict, fights for equality, sharp writing and wonderful, robust characters...Sanderson is a writer to watch" -**Publishers Weekly**, starred review, on *Elantris*

Sales Points

- This is Brandon's flagship YA sci-fi series - one of his core focuses alongside The Stormlight Archive and Mistborn
- Brandon Sanderson is the king of modern fantasy, whose sales growth continues year on year. The *Mistborn* series has sold nearly 500,000 copies.
- Brandon Sanderson has become one of the biggest names in fantasy. He completed Robert Jordan's *Wheel of Time* series.
- He is a No. 1 *NEW YORK TIMES* and *SUNDAY TIMES* bestselling author.

Reviews

- 'Brandon Sanderson's reputation is finally as big as his novels' - *New York Times*
- 'Sanderson offers up a resourceful, fearless heroine and a memorable cast' - *Publishers Weekly*
- 'Secrets intensify this ripping yarn, which is crammed with peril, thrills and snappy dialogue' - *Daily Mail*

Author Biography

Brandon Sanderson is a Number One *New York Times* bestseller, a *Sunday Times* bestseller, and a David Gemmell and Hugo Award winner, his novels have sold more than 40 million copies around the world. He is most famous for his epic fantasy series The Stormlight Archive and The Mistborn Saga; his work also includes the Skyward science



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The Falconer

A sweeping historical fantasy like you've never read before, full of magic, mystery and slow-burn romance

Elizabeth May

Keynote

Heiress. Debutant. Murderer.
A new generation of heroines has arrived

Description

<h3>Set in Victorian-era Scotland and filled to the brim with fae, this is historical romantasy adventure will sweep you away.</h3>

Hunt the fae. Cage the monsters. Guard the prison.

In Edinburgh, a secret war rages between humans and fae, and the magic in Aileana Kameron's blood is all that keeps the most lethal monsters imprisoned beneath the city.

But when the creatures she once pursued now hunt her, Aileana has no choice but to ally with Kieran MacKay - the beautiful fae assassin with his own agenda.

The chemistry between them is as incendiary as the battles raging through the streets. And as the body count climbs, Aileana faces a choice: how much is she willing to sacrifice to save her city? Her friends? Herself?

Because the fae won't stop until their kin are freed - and she's the only thing standing in their way.

Set in Victorian-era Scotland and filled to the brim with fae, this historical romantasy adventure will sweep you away.

Readers love *The Falconer*:

'I LOVED IT. I swallowed this book. Plain and simple. The quick pace was captivating, the descriptions and landscapes breathtaking and **the heroine really badass!!'** Goodreads reviewer, ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'This book is so different in terms of what's out there in the YA market. I loved the historical aspect . . . Besides the bloody awesome fight scenes, if you guys know me, **I'm all about the romance and the romance in this book is one of my favourite kinds'** Goodreads reviewer, ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'I found the storyline unique . . . I liked everyone in this book which usually doesn't happen . . . **I loved the relationships . . . Overall, this was a great book'** Goodreads reviewer, ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'I was only a few pages into this book when I knew it was going to become a part of me . . . Elizabeth May has such a way with words, and she has woven a gorgeous tale full of adventure, magic, and romance' Goodreads reviewer, ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'Annnnnnd this book enters my top ten of favourites . . . Read this for the angsty fae goodness' Goodreads reviewer, ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'THE FALCONER was PHENOMENAL!!! From its **Scotland lure**, to its vengeance and murder, to its THRILLING, action-packed adventure, and **heart-pounding, slow burning romance'** Goodreads reviewer, ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'This book is action-packed with excellent character and relationship development, world-building, and witty repartee' Goodreads reviewer, ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

Sales Points

- This is a Georgette Heyer novel - in which the heroine finishes her last dance every evening and then goes looking for blood...
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- A perfect contract between high-society manners and bloody street fighting. Packed with beautiful dresses, sharp weapons and great gadgets.
- This could do for the Pae What Deborah Harkness has done for witches.
 - This trilogy has been sold in six-figure pre-empt deals in six languages.
 - Elizabeth May is brilliant on Twitter, Facebook and on her blog, and is a wonderful addition to the Gollancz list.

Reviews

- 'A riveting world, a fierce heroine, and electrifying action - I burned through this sparkling debut!' - Sarah J. Maas, NEW YORK TIMES bestselling author
- 'Elizabeth May's debut is a wicked cocktail of Jane Austen's high society and the Grimm's fairy tales. Absolutely wonderful: a Must Read Now novel!' - *SCI FI NOW*
- 'A stunning debut and very firmly recommended' - *STARBURST*

Author Biography

Elizabeth May is the *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *To Cage a God*, the Seven Devils duology (co-written with Laura Lam), The Falconer series, and romance novels under the pseudonym Katrina Kendrick. She is Californian by birth and Scottish by choice, and holds a Ph.D. from the University of St Andrews. She currently resides on an 18th-century farm in the Scottish countryside with her husband, three cats, and a lively hive of honeybees that live inside the wall of her old farmhouse.

Market

Fans of Deborah Harkness, Cassandra Clare and Kim Harrison alike will adore this

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The Vanishing of Joni Blackwood

A brilliantly chilling and thrilling mystery debut novel

Lisa Rookes

Keynote

A new spine-tingling suspense novel set in a claustrophobically small village, where folklore, secrets and lies are built into its very foundation. Perfect for fans of CATRIONA WARD, C J TUDOR, and FRANCINE TOON

Description

'An absolute page-turner, I'm actually on pins waiting for the story to unfold and my anxiety is through the roof. And what a jaw-swinging, heart-palpitating ending this book has, too!... An easy 5 star for me.' Reader Review, ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

The debris from the party the night before is scattered underneath the village tree and across the cobbles. Red wine stains the ground like blood. And Joni has vanished.

Everyone in the village loves **Joni Blackwood**. She is beautiful and bold, and it's no surprise to anyone when on the annual village bonfire, she is crowned 'queen' of the festivities. After all, despite fierce competition from the charity-giving and churchgoing mothers in the village, she has won this honour five years in a row.

But this year, the morning after the party is not like the mornings before. This year, Joni is missing, the shower left running in her cottage.

When the next day, human remains are found in the church graveyard, everyone is quick to assume that the mystery of Joni's whereabouts has had a swift and deadly answer. But when it's revealed that the remains are the small bones of a baby, it's clear that Joni's disappearance only marks the start of dark truths in the village coming to light.

If the remains aren't Joni's, did she vanish because she put them there? Or because she knows who did?

The Vanishing of Joni Blackwood is an utterly compelling mystery with a twist you won't see coming. Perfect for fans of C J Tudor, Caroline Mitchell and Erin Kelly.

<h2>Read what everyone is saying about The Vanishing of Joni Blackwood:</h2>

'I absolutelyyyyyyyy loved the atmospheric setting of the small village... And that final reveal? Wow! I didn't see it coming at all.□□□... You'll love this one. It's a real page-turner, and I can't wait to read more from Lisa Rookes' Reader Review, ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Lisa Rookes has written a gem of a book. It's small town claustrophobia that bites in all the right places. A surefire five star read.' Reader Review, ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'I meannnnnn I am currently jaw to the floor. I was not expecting that very end twist!!! This was such a wild ride and I honestly don't feel a review can do the twists and turns justice, you just need to go and read it... Small town... drama... it's got it all.' Reader Review, ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'A crime fiction trope that I really, really love is a small town mystery... I was really shocked that this was a debut novel, it's got a very distinctive voice and the mystery is complex and develops in a really unexpected way. A brilliant set of characters, and the Northern setting of a small village near Sheffield was perfect for this storyline full of secrets and suspense.' Reader Review, ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'A page-turner from the first chapter... The author did a wonderful job describing relationships and their dynamics... Creepy, twisty... There are a lot of times that make you wonder if your predictions of what is going to happen next or who may not be the best person(s) are true... Cannot wait to read more from this author.' Reader Review, ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'I was hooked... It had everything that I was hoping for in the mystery element. It was a unique world... Lisa Rookes has a great writing style and I thoroughly enjoyed reading this.' Reader Review, ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

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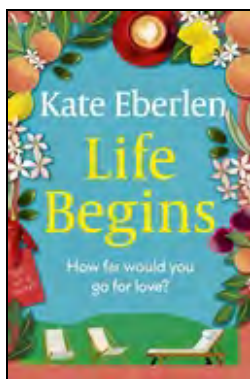
- EMERGING SPACE IN THE MARKET - Agents are noting the increased wave of darker thrillers landing in their inbox, and publishers like Viper have already been leaning into what looks like a growing appetite for darker fiction. There's space open for exactly this kind of title on our list and enables us to cater to those darker tastes.
- WELL-CONNECTED AUTHOR - Lisa has great contacts in the national and local press as she's been a crime and real-life journalist for 22 years and is currently Deputy Head of Journalism at the University of Sheffield. She has recently appeared on the BBC It's Wagatha Christie podcast; BBC Radio WM; BBC Radio Leeds; BBC Five Live; Behind the Headlines podcast with Nick Garnett; Freelancing for Journalists podcast with Lily Canter; Sheffield Star; Yorkshire Live; Guardian Academics.
- STRONG BRAND VISION - Have aligned with the author on a second book idea, which is a modern-day ROSEMARY'S BABY where a young, single pregnant woman is befriended by a village book group, but soon realises they're more interested in her baby...

Author Biography

Lisa is an award-winning journalist and lecturer. She spent the start of her career as a crime reporter and news editor before moving to national newspapers and women's magazines. She is currently head of the undergraduate Journalism programme at the University of Sheffield and has won further multiple awards for her teaching. Her debut gothic thriller *The Gallows Tree* is published 2024. She lives in Holmfirth in South Yorkshire with her husband, two sons, an arthritic Labrador and a disabled pug.

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Author living in	London, N5

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Life Begins

The brand-new relationship drama from the Richard and Judy pick Kate Eberlen

Kate Eberlen

Keynote

From the Richard & Judy Book Club author Kate Eberlen, *Life Begins* is an emotional relationship drama set in the sun-drenched Italian countryside.

Description

What if the life you're living isn't the one you want?

Jessica and Robin have been best friends since university. For his fortieth birthday, she plans an elaborate surprise trip to Italy with his closest friends and family. Sometimes it feels like everyone knows how much she loves Robin... everyone except Robin himself.

Laura has two beautiful children, a stylish London home and a thriving career as a deputy headteacher. But she also has a secret. One she's been keeping for many years. And now it's time for the truth to come out.

Actor Robin is looking forward to being the centre of attention once more, as those he loves most come together for a week-long getaway. But as long-simmering desires rise to the surface and tensions reach breaking point, he begins to wonder...

Could life really begin again at forty?

From the Richard & Judy Book Club author Kate Eberlen, *Life Begins* is an emotional relationship drama set in the Italian countryside.

Sales Points

- **STRONG SALES TRACK:** Kate Eberlen's debut novel *MISS YOU* was an instant Sunday Times bestseller with over 130,000 copies sold through the TCM.
- **COMMERCIAL FICTION WITH A STRONG HOOK:** *LIFE BEGINS* is a compulsive and original love story about a woman who has made a pact with her male best friend to get married when they are forty, and the woman caught between them. It is a juicy relationship drama with big themes, and characters readers will want to talk about.
- **AUTHOR ENDORSEMENTS:** Kate has a number of big-name fans including Kate Mosse, Veronica Henry, Sophie Kinsella, Lucy Diamond, Laura Jane Williams, Alexandra Potter and Matt Cain.
- **STRIKING NEW COVER LOOK:** we are refreshing Kate's author branding and giving her a striking new look that will position *LIFE BEGINS* as the must-have summer read for women in 2024

Author Biography

Kate Eberlen is the author of *Miss You* which was a Radio 2 Book Club Choice and a Richard and Judy Book Club Choice, and *Only You*. Her novels have been translated into 30 countries worldwide. She lives in London.

Market

The Best Days of Our Lives by Lucy Diamond, *Mum & Dad* by Joanna Trollope, *Small Pleasures* by Clare Chambers, *The Keeper of Lost Things* by Sally Page

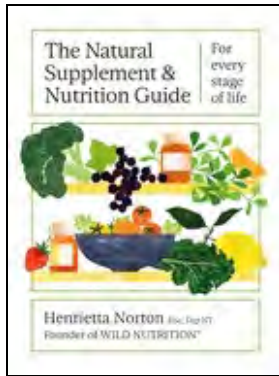
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The Natural Supplement and Nutrition Guide For every stage of life

Henrietta Norton

Keynote

Transform your life through better nutrition. Feel your best with this modern guide to natural supplements. From acne to anxiety, strength to sleep, cure your ailments, boost your energy and transform your health with this practical and accessible guide from a qualified nutritional therapist.

Description

Transform your life through better nutrition. From acne to anxiety, strength to sleep, cure your ailments, boost your energy and transform your health with this practical and accessible guide from qualified nutritional therapist and founder of Food-Grown supplements brand Wild Nutrition, Henrietta Norton.

Organised by health need, including fitness and muscle recovery, stress, sleep, heart health, dry skin, low energy, stiff joints, depression, gut health, weight management, fertility and more, each entry offers expert guidance on which supplements might be beneficial to you but also suggestions for relevant foods to turn to and practical and easy cooking tips to help you get the most out of your diet and nutrition. It also provides a comprehensive introduction to incorporating supplements into your daily routine, including support for each different life stage.

Feel your best with this modern guide to natural supplements.

Sales Points

- First to market modern guide to supplements, cutting through the confusion in a gifty lifestyle package
- In 2013, the UK spent £417M on supplements, by 2023 it'll be closer to £477M, £200B worldwide. 60 % of Brits took supplements at some point in 2019, 34% took them every day (Mintel)
- Written by a qualified nutritional therapist and founder of international food-grown supplements brand Wild Nutrition (32k Instagram)
- In 2022 and 2023 Wild Nutrition are focusing on growing their brand and presence in the US
- In autumn 2021 Wild Nutrition launch their own health and wellbeing podcast, The Wild Sessions Podcast, fronted by Henrietta

Author Biography

Henrietta Norton BSc Dip NT, is the founder of Food-Grown supplements brand Wild Nutrition, a bestselling author and highly regarded nutritional practitioner.

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Illustrations	30
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Publishing History

Your Pregnancy Nutrition Guide (Vermillion, 2015)
Take Control of Your Endometriosis (Kyle, 2012)

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Word Count	
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Previous Titles

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The Family

'Gripping and unputdownable – Mandasue Heller's best yet. Loved it!' (Kimberley Chambers)

Mandasue Heller

Keynote

The brand new gripping page-turner from the million-copy bestselling Queen of Manchester Gangland crime

Description

When coffee shop worker, **Cheryl**, meets handsome stranger, **Dale**, it seems like Cheryl's nightmares might finally be at an end. Loan sharks have been banging at Cheryl's door for longer than she cares to remember. That is, until Dale sends them running for good with just a few words.

A romance soon blossoms between Cheryl and Dale, whose family has bought the house next door to hers. The relationship feels both exciting and safe. But when Cheryl meets Dale's family, it's immediately clear that they have dangerous secrets to hide. And as Cheryl uncovers the mystery of his family, it's clear that her life is in terrible danger...

Sales Points

- **STELLAR SALES TRACK:** Mandasue Heller has sold over 1 million copies through the TCM, and ranks in the top 3 gangland crime authors alongside Martina Cole and Kimberley Chambers
- **STRONG REGIONAL SETTING:** Mandasue sets all her thrillers in gangland Manchester, and has a strong and impassioned local fanbase
- **MAJOR BRAND RELAUNCH:** we are reinvigorating Mandasue Heller's brand with dynamic new cover style and marketing campaign

Reviews

- 'Gripping and unputdownable - **Mandasue Heller's best yet.** Loved it!' - Kimberley Chambers
- '**Mandasue Heller never disappoints!** *The Family* is a gritty, fast-paced, compelling read that will keep you on the edge of your seat.' - Roberta Kray
- 'It was terrifying! I kept thinking I'm so glad my husband's family isn't like this! Great writing with characters you love to hate. A frightening cautionary tale that **stays with you after you've finished reading it, Mandasue Heller's at the top of her game.**' - Heather Atkinson
- '**A real page-turner.**' - Kerry Barnes

Author Biography

I wrote my first book when I was taken ill and had to quit singing for a while. I based it in the Hulme Crescents, where I had spent 10 of some of the best and absolute worst years of my life. It was a squatters paradise when I moved in, and a notorious no-go zone for the police. Violent crimes were commonplace and drugs were rife. I saw a fair few friends get sucked into the hell of addiction - and lost too many of them because of it. Those were the bad times, but then the musicians and artists started moving in. A friend once described it as being like Glastonbury all year round, and it really was. I wanted to capture the spirit of the place in my writing - the good and the bad; but I quickly discovered that I couldn't write about real people. I'd start, but then I'd become conscious of what they might think of it and that would inhibit me. So I decided to take a stab at inventing characters instead, using the Crescents as the backdrop for their stories. And, guess what? It worked!

The Front, Forget Me Not and The Game were all set in the Crescents, but I expanded into different areas after that; some areas real, others fictitious. I took Brutal even further afield by setting it in a farmhouse in a remote part of Yorkshire. But I'm back on the mean streets of Manchester with the one I'm working on right now.

So that's me . . . From professional singer to full-time writer, with various other jobs in between: TV extra, barmaid, waitress, pharmacy assistant, phone-line tarot card reader, to name just a few. My children and grandchildren are my world, and my books come from the other-world that lives and breathes inside my twisted mind.

Market

No Mercy by Martina Cole, *The Family Man* by Kimberley Chambers

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An Echo in the Bone

The gripping and unputdownable historical adventure from the bestselling Outlander series

Diana Gabaldon

Keynote

The triumphant seventh novel in the **bestselling phenomenon** that is the **Outlander series**.

From the bestselling author of GO TELL THE BEES THAT I AM GONE.

Description

<h2>THE UNMISSABLE SEVENTH NOVEL IN THE MULTI-MILLION BESTSELLING OUTLANDER SERIES - NOW ON AMAZON PRIME!</h2>

'A series that **will keep you turning the pages long into the night**' Rebecca Yarros
 ***** 'If you are new to these books then I envy you, you are in for such a treat'
 '**Epic, magical, and deeply romantic. A true gift to all readers**' Ali Hazelwood
 ***** '**LOVED it!!!**'

'Adventure. Drama. History. Time travel. Romance. The *Outlander* series is **an epic story that grabs you by the throat and doesn't let go**' Kristin Hannah

***** 'Anyone thinking of reading these! **JUST DO IT**'

'**Outlander remains a treasure to be enjoyed and shared**' Ian Rankin

North Carolina, 1777

"All loss is one, and one loss becomes all, a single death the key to the gate that bars memory."

Until now, Highlander Jamie Fraser and his wife, Claire have shared the war for American independence as much as they've shared their lives. Jamie, always a warrior and now a soldier and an officer, fights the enemy with fire and sword; Claire, once a nurse and now a healer, fights death through every battle and sometimes wins.

Nothing can divide them, save dire emergency. And emergency finds each of them bound by blood, by vows and obligations of the heart. To their family, as well as to comrades and each other.

Claire's battles aren't limited to the battlefield, and she cannot deny an urgent call that only she can answer. Jamie is a reluctant rebel who knows the Americans will win, but he'd rather die than face his illegitimate son across the barrel of a gun.

And Claire, with her 20th century knowledge, knows the Americans will win, but she's not sure what the price will be - and can only hope it won't be Jamie's life . . .

'An utter delight to experience. **Open the pages and prepare to be swept away**' Rebecca Ross

'**A stone-cold classic**' Katherine Arden

'**An unforgettable, unparalleled love story** that will leave you **craving more**' Olivie Blake

'An **enchanting escape** for new readers and **destined for countless rereads**' Jennifer L. Armentrout

Sales Points

- **WORLDWIDE PHENOMENON:** Worldwide sales of the Outlander series are over 20 million copies and counting, and it has been published in 42 countries and 38 languages.
- **NEW PUBLISHING:** With the new book GO TELL THE BEES THAT I AM GONE publishing in November 2021 with a huge campaign, the Outlander series will be everywhere and fans will be eager to revisit the previous titles in the series.
- **POPULAR TV SERIES:** The Outlander TV series has been running since 2014 to huge acclaim, and is about to enter its 6th season.
- **AN INSTANT BESTSELLER:** AN ECHO IN THE BONE went straight to No.2 on the SUNDAY TIMES bestseller list.

Reviews

- 'A grand adventure written on a canvas that probes the heart, weighs the soul and measures the human spirit across ten generations' - *CNN*
- 'The writing is superb - lush, evocative, sensual, with a wealth of historical detail' - *LIBRARY JOURNAL*
- 'History comes deliciously alive on the page' - *NEW YORK DAILY NEWS*
- 'Riveting. Gabaldon has a true storyteller's voice' - *GLOBE AND MAIL*



Author Biography

Diana Gabaldon is the internationally bestselling author of many historical novels including CROSS STITCH, DRAGONFLY IN AMBER, VOYAGER, DRUMS OF AUTUMN, THE FIERY CROSS and A BREATH OF SNOW AND ASHES. She lives with her family in Scottsdale, Arizona. Visit her website at www.dianagabaldon.com

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Ava Anna Ada

Ali Millar

Keynote

A dark horror fable of unhinged desire, *Ava Anna Ada* is a debut novel of rare power from the author of *The Last Days*

Description

The between days were days of pure white heat.

Summer is swelling around the village. Heat is surging, people are whispering about a great hungry wave, and in the garden, Anna is kicking her dying dog on the grass.

But someone is watching her. The girl. Ava.

Outside, the brutal summer blisters on. Inside, over the course of one claustrophobic week, Anna and Ava become caught up in their own world. Become swallowed by each- otherness. But what does Ava really want?

As faces fray and secrets splinter, the past casts the present anew, and Anna and Ava are forced to reckon with who they truly are. Because who we are, *Ava Anna Ada* warns us, is not always the same as what we are to each other.

Braiding climate chaos, lust, poetry and violence, Ali Millar's debut novel is a contemporary fable against images and their enduring hold on us. Attuned to the knotty texture of reality, *Ava Anna Ada* asks us to confront the way things look in the dark - and what happens when what is buried comes into the light.

Sales Points

- **GENRE-BENDING FICTION:** This novel sits somewhere at the intersection of literary and gothic, horror and magic realism, folklore and romance
- **POWERFUL NEW VOICE:** This is Ali Millar's debut work of fiction and will no doubt mark the beginning of a very exciting new career in the vein of Daisy Johnson, Julia Armfield and Moira Fowley. She sits amongst those contemporary writers who are wringing traditional genre conventions dry
- **UNLIKABLE FEMALE CHARACTERS:** This book is writing into an ever-growing space in the market that interrogates female rage, cruelty and desire, refusing to shy away from unlikable female protagonists
- **WRITING CLIMATE CHAOS:** *Ava Anna Ada* is set against a landscape of eco-horror, which is as topical as it is terrifying. The book imagines a world not far from our own, in which the climate crisis has caused the environment to morph into a destructive entity
- **LOVE TRIANGLE:** As *Ava Anna Ada* moves fluidly between horror story and love story, Ali Millar re-invents the love triangle narrative

Reviews

- "AVA ANNA ADA is both **brilliantly stylish** and **horribly unnerving**... an almost **impossibly elegant evocation** of violence, eroticism and derangement. A weird, furious, fucked-up fable." - *Keiran Goddard*
- "**Tense, ruthless and fevered**, *Ava Anna Ada* is a **bracingly original tale** of lust and malice amidst dementing heat, general unravelling, and the late nightmares of a screaming planet." - *Rob Doyle*
- "Love and lust are the dark forces that intertwine within *Ava Anna Ada*. Millar is a rare talent and has created a hypnotic, profound and mesmerising novel" - *Ewan Morrison*
- "**Shocking and uncompromising**, but effortlessly and unpretentiously so, Millar's writing is **visceral and vibrant; piercingly astute** in rendering the inner thoughts and raw emotions of her protagonists, unearthing diamonds of humanity from the mire of brutality" - *Miki Berenyi*

Author Biography

Born in Scotland and now living in London, Ali Millar is an author and journalist. Her debut memoir, *The Last Days*, was released by Penguin Random House to widespread critical acclaim in 2022. *Ava Anna Ada* is her debut novel.

Market

FOR READERS OF: Daisy Johnson; Eliza Clark; Julia Armfield; Ottessa Moshfegh; Rachel Yoder; Rachel Kushner; Sayaka Murata; Rebecca Watson; Lisa Taddeo

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Mortification Eight Deaths and Life After Them

Mark Watson

Keynote

The first autobiography from comedian, writer and TV personality Mark Watson, told through eight mortifying moments, is an honest and hilarious exploration of how the worst times in our lives can bring out the best in us

Description

'Mark Watson is a national treasure' Richard Osman

Whatever I now know about life - or think I know - I found out through failure, disappointment, mortification. I'm writing it all down as much to remind myself as for anyone else - but now you're here, I'd love you to stick around . . .

Mark Watson is generally accepted to be alive. And yet he's died many times. Not just on stage - though he'll tell you about that - but in other ways, too. There's been the death of a childhood dream. The death of his panel-show career. And then there was the time he died inside and nearly lost it all . . .

Eye-opening, revealing and painfully funny, this is a book about mortification, failure and all the times life doesn't work out as planned. But it also wisely questions whether the things we strive for - recognition, success, the approval of others - are really the things that matter. It's a book about death that reminds us how to live.

'Mark Watson makes the base metal of failure into comedy gold' Adam Kay

Sales Points

- **STAR AUTHOR:** The acclaimed author of eight novels, Mark Watson is also well-known for his writing. In addition he has over 250,000 followers on social media.
- **INFLUENTIAL FANS:** Mark Watson is one of the UK's most popular comedians. His writing is adored by the likes of Aisling Bea, Richard Osman, Adam Kay, Sara Pascoe, Jason Manford and Shaparak Khorsandi.
- **FASCINATING INSIGHT:** A 'professional confessional' for the world of comedy, this book lifts the lid on the reality of stand-up and takes the reader backstage for some eye-opening truths about panel shows.
- **BREATHING NEW LIFE INTO SUCCESSFUL AUDIO PROJECT:** This book was first published as an audio exclusive 'Eight Deaths: And Life After Them' but has been re-titled and substantially reworked for print publication.

Reviews

- **'Life is full of hurdles, but this hilarious book brilliantly demonstrates that we learn more by hitting them than clearing them. The world is overflowing with disappointments, but thankfully this book is not one of them'** - Richard Herring
- **'Full of funny and heartwarming anecdotes that will make you feel better'** - Aisling Bea
- **'Mark has always been one of those annoyingly brilliant and clever comedians, and he's gone and done it again'** - Jason Manford

Author Biography

Mark Watson is one of the UK's most popular comedians, as seen on Taskmaster, Live At The Apollo, Mock the Week, Bear Grylls' Celebrity Island and many more. He has appeared at every major comedy festival in the world, completed numerous sell-out tours and won various awards in the UK and Australia. He is also the author of eight novels, has a long-running Radio 4 series, 'Mark Watson Talks A Bit About Life,' and has performed a series of legendary 24-hour shows. He is one-third of the major YouTube cult hit 'No More Jockeys', and was voted one of Chortle's 'Legends Of Lockdown' in 2022. In theory he lives in London, but he's hardly ever there.

Market

For fans of books such as *How To Fail* by Elizabeth Day and *Four Thousand Weeks* by Oliver Burkeman as well as professional confessionals and comedian memoirs.



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In the Jingle Jungle Keeping Time with the Brian Jonestown Massacre

Joel Gion

Keynote

The memoir from Joel Gion, the tambourine playing frontman of The Brian Jonestown Massacre, one of the great contemporary cult American rock and roll bands.

Description

The Brian Jonestown Massacre are one of the great contemporary cult American rock and roll bands. At the peak of their anarchic reign in the San Francisco underground of the mid '90s their psychedelic output was almost as prodigious and impressive as their narcotic intake.

Immortalised in one of the most unforgettable rock and roll documentaries of all time, *DIG!* alongside their friends/rivals/nemeses, The Dandy Warhol's, in their early years when the US were obsessed with grunge, the BJM felt like a '60s anachronism. But with albums like *Their Satanic Majesties Second Request* and *Thank God for Mental Illness*, and incendiary, often chaotic, live shows, they burnished their legend as true believers and custodians of the original west coast flame; a privilege and responsibility which continues to this day when the band have a bigger and more dedicated audience than ever.

Joel Gion's memoir tells the story of the first ten years of the band from the Duke Seat. A righteous account of the hazards and pleasures of life on and off the road, *In the Jingle Jungle* takes use behind the scenes of the supposed behind the scenes film that cemented the band's legend. Funny as hell, shot through with the innocence and wonder of a 'percussionist' whose true role is that of the band's 'spirit animal', *In the Jingle Jungle* is destined to take its place alongside cult classics in the pantheon of rock and roll literature like *Playing the Bass with Three Left Hands*, *Head On*, and *45* by Bill Drummond. It will also feature a foreword by Anton Newcombe, fellow member and founder of The Brian Jonestown Massacre.

Sales Points

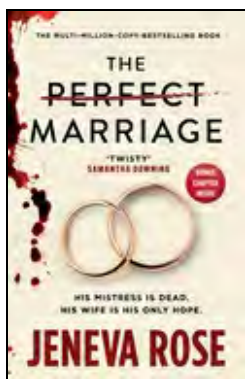
- **FEATURING A FOREWORD BY ANTON NEWCOMBE:** fellow member and founder of The Brian Jonestown Massacre, who has promised to support the book on socials and in the press.
- **DEDICATED FANBASE:** BJM just completed a huge European Tour including 20+ dates in the UK. They can easily fill venues of 2,500 across the country and have a dedicated cult fanbase.
- **DIG! ANNIVERSARY:** 2024 is the 20th anniversary of the legendary film about the band, *DIG!* There is going to be a five hour re-master/cut of the film released and PR around it which we can tap into.
- **PRE-ORDER INCENTIVES:** Will launch with exciting pre-order incentives (exclusive personal postcards and ephemera through Joel, including four battered vintage tambourines that he is going to sign and make available for preorder competitions) through record stores where we fully expect to secure over 1,000 preorders.
- **THE AUTHOR:** Joel is the most likeable, charismatic, funny and articulate frontman for this book. The media loves Brian Jonestown Massacre. Joel has been a thoroughly engaged author and will fully support the release on socials and in the press.

Author Biography

Joel Gion is the 'tambourine playing frontman of Brian Jonestown Massacre' and the star of *DIG!* the infamous documentary that made them famous 20 years ago. He was born in San Jose but calls San Francisco home. He has been with and in the band for almost three decades.

Market

FOR READERS OF: *Tenement Kid*, by Bobby Gillespie; *Girl in a Band*, by Kim Gordon; *Spiritualized*; *Spacemen 3*; *The Dandy Warhols*; *Sing Backwards and Weep*, by Mark Lanegan



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The Perfect Marriage

Jeneva Rose

Keynote

THE absolutely unputdownable and JAW-DROPPINGLY TWISTY multi-million-copy bestseller, from TikTok sensation and instant New York Times bestseller, Jeneva Rose. Perfect for fans of Freida McFadden.

Description

<h2>His mistress is dead. His wife is his only hope...</h2>

Sarah Morgan is a successful and powerful defense attorney in Washington D.C. As a named partner at her firm, life is going exactly how she planned. The same cannot be said for her husband, Adam. He's a struggling writer who has had little success in his career and he tires of his and Sarah's relationship as she is constantly working.

Out in the secluded woods, at the couple's lake house, Adam engages in a passionate affair with Kelly Summers. But one morning everything changes. Kelly is found brutally stabbed to death and now, Sarah must take on her hardest case yet, defending her own husband, a man accused of murdering his mistress.

<h2>Read what everyone is saying about Jeneva Rose:</h2>

'Whelp, **binged the s*** out of this one!**' Reader Review, 5 stars

'**What did I just read? Wow!** What a shocking ending! I have **seen this on so many IG posts** that I knew I needed to get it!... Even though *Gone Girl* is used in so many analogies of talented writers, I feel she fits in this category of surprise! **It is deserving of being one of the bestselling thrillers!**' Reader Review, 5 stars

'Holy moly **if THIS BOOK isn't on your radar, it damn well should be!**' Reader Review, 5 stars

'**My mind is still whirling** with so many things! What did I just read?! **How freaking fun was that wild ride?!** How many more books exist like this? **Wow.** Suffice it to say, **I've NEVER read a faster paced whodunnit in my entire life**, and I was here for it!... I could NOT stop turning the pages!... **if you see the truth coming, I will voluntarily eat my kindle. Loved it!!**' Reader Review, 5 stars

Sales Points

- **INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER** - Jeneva immediately hit the NYT bestseller list on first-format release for *YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE COME HERE* and continues to sell on. She's expected to repeat this success with her next release, *HOME IS WHERE THE BODIES ARE*.
- **TIK TOK SENSATION** - Jeneva has over 300 million views on her @JenevaRoseAuthor page on Tik Tok.
- **MILLIONS OF COPIES OF THE PERFECT MARRIAGE SOLD** - Jeneva has sold over 2 million copies of *The Perfect Marriage* alone.
- **FUTURE FILM SUCCESS** - Picture Perfect Federation and Zurich Avenue have acquired film rights. The film will be directed by Sigal Avin (*Losing Alice*), and the script is by Oscar-nominated scribe William Broyles (*Apollo 13* and *Cast Away*). The film will be produced by Patrick Wachsberger, who's coming off Best Picture for *Coda*.
- **ENDORSEMENT FROM QUEEN OF COMMERCIAL FICTION** - Colleen Hoover is a fan and has provided a rare but ringing endorsement for Jeneva, calling her 'the queen of twists'.

Reviews

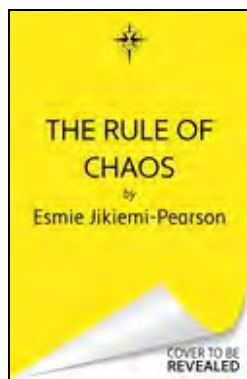
- 'A twisty, compulsive book that **will keep you reading all night!** Fast-paced with crisp writing and an intriguing plot. **Jeneva Rose is one to watch.**' - *Samantha Downing, #1 international bestselling author of My Lovely Wife*

Author Biography

Jeneva Rose is the *New York Times* bestselling author of several novels, including *Home Is Where the Bodies Are*, *You Shouldn't Have Come Here*, *The Perfect Marriage*, *One of Us Is Dead*, and *The Perfect Divorce*. Her work has been translated into more than two dozen languages and optioned for film and television. Originally from Wisconsin, she currently lives in Chicago with her husband, Drew, and her stubborn English bulldogs, Winston and Phyllis.

Market

Perfect for fans of *THE HOUSEMAID* and *THE SILENT PATIENT*



The Rule of Chaos

The epic sequel to Sunday Times bestselling TikTok favourite *The Principle of Moments*

Esmie Jikiemi-Pearson

Keynote

The epic sequel to instant *Sunday Times* bestseller and inaugural winner of the Future Worlds Prize *The Principle of Moments*...

Description

'My favourite kind of grand space opera'
BEN AARONOVITCH

Trapped inside the mysterious Order of Legends, Asha is struggling to become the hero that the hundred worlds need. Her sister is dead, her mother won't wake up, Obi is gone, and Xavior keeps visiting her dreams.

Unable to reach through the realm of heroes to summon the weapon that could change everything, she sets off to find the fabled gauntlet of Chasca, and meets new friends and old enemies...

As three timelines begin to converge, Asha must decide exactly what she's willing to sacrifice in order to save the universe.

The Rule of Chaos is the second instalment in *The Order of Legends* trilogy, a centuries-spanning adventure unmissable for fans of the spacefaring found family of Becky Chambers, the magical London of V. E. Schwab, and the epic climate-craft of N. K. Jemisin.

Sales Points

- SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLING SERIES
- INAUGURAL WINNER OF THE FUTURE WORLDS PRIZE
- LONGLISTED FOR THE 2024 TIKTOK BOOK AWARDS FOR BRITISH BOOK OF THE YEAR
- BOOK 1 HAD A FULL MONTHLY BOX ILLUMICRATE EDITION
- UK AUTHOR WITH GROWING AND ENGAGED TIKTOK AND INSTAGRAM FOLLOWING

Author Biography

Esmie Jikiemi-Pearson is a *Sunday Times* bestselling author and co-founder of the organisation Impact of Omission. Winner of the inaugural Gollancz and Rivers of London BAME SFF Award in 2020, now known as the Future Worlds Prize, her writing is invariably about Black people dismantling space empires, travelling through time, and saving the world - often simultaneously.

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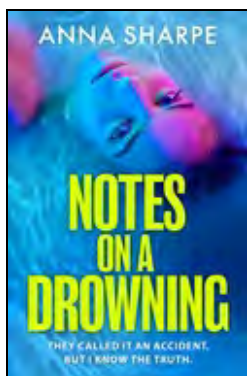
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Notes on a Drowning

Anna Sharpe

Keynote

The razor-sharp debut legal thriller from criminal justice solicitor, Anna Sharpe. When a girl is found drowned in the Thames, Alexandra and Kat must overcome their complicated past to save a network of vulnerable young women from being next to die.

Description

Alex knows she risks getting fired from her law firm if she takes on another unpaid case, but when she hears Rosa's desperate voice at the other end of the phone, she knows she has to help: the body of Rosa's shy teenage sister, **Natalia**, has been dragged, lifeless, from the Thames. **Alex can't help but think of her own missing little sister. She knows how a lack of answers can eat you alive.**

Kat has worked hard to become Special Adviser to the Home Secretary, and is eager to finally put the dark and tragic part of her past behind her. But when she discovers a series of cover-ups, she begins to wonder whether her seemingly perfect new boss could be involved. **Then she she's shocked to discover a letter that raises worrying questions about a girl found drowned in London... Natalia.**

There are complex and painful reasons for Alex and Kat not to work together, but when it becomes clear that there are powerful people involved in Natalia's death, and that other girls are at risk, **Alex and Kat must overcome their differences to find answers. Will they save the girls and discover the truth? Or will the high-powered players in this game stop Alex and Kat for good?**

<h2>What readers are saying about *Notes on a Drowning*:</h2>

'**Fast-paced, topical, sharp and with a heart**, I could see *Notes on a Drowning* played out on screen. Hope Anna Sharpe's cracking out the next one.' Sarah Vaughan

'**A belter of a book**. Shrewd, **powerful**, and constructed of smoke and mirrors, it's contemporary thriller writing at its **breathless** best. Anna Sharpe knows how to weave a tale.' Helen Fields

'**A timely and hugely entertaining** political thriller written with humour and sensitivity, and **an important story** at its heart. Anna Sharpe has created something **fresh and new**, and I can't wait for the next one.' Charlotte Philby

'**A compelling, emotional and unputdownable** thriller' Nadine Matheson

'Anna Sharpe is a masterful storyteller.' Kia Abdullah

'Breakneck plot skillfully delivered with writing to die for.' Imran Mahmood

'My kind of thriller: **pacy, absorbing and smart**, with great characters and brilliant dialogue on every page. I loved it!' TM Logan

'A whip-smart, taut thriller...**It zips along like a high-end Netflix drama you can't help but binge.**' Jane Casey

'Two women united by a painful secret take on the establishment in this tense, big-hearted, super-smart legal thriller. **Anna Sharpe is one to watch.**' Tammy Cohen

'*Notes on a Drowning* is a whip smart thriller, and I adored Alex, a clever, funny lawyer who is trying to hold together her career and failing marriage while trying to find out what really happened to her sister. Both gripping and compassionate, **I really hope this is a series, and it would be perfect for TV.**' Jo Callaghan

'A gripping political thriller from an exciting new voice. **I can't wait to read what Anna Sharpe writes next.**' Cass Green

'This Anna Sharpe is a bit good. **Compelling characters, glamorous locations with a deep dive into a dark and murky world.** Loved it!' Rachel Wolf

'Fast action and packed with tension. Full of twists. **This is a one-sitting read.**' Quentin Bates

Sales Points

- THE BOOK YOUR FAVOURITE CRIME WRITER WANTS TO READ - This book received a rush of proof requests from Liz Nugent, TM Logan, Kia Abdullah, Claire Douglas, Adele Parks, CL Taylor, Mick Herron, Imran Mahmood, Elly Griffiths, Tony Kent, Sarah Vaughan, Ruth Ware, Lucy Foley, Will Dean, and more!
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Author Biography

Anna Sharpe is the pseudonym of Anna Mazzola. She's the award-winning author of three historical thrillers plus one ghost novel. Her debut novel, *The Unseeing*, won an Edgar Allan Poe award in the US. Her third novel, *The Clockwork Girl*, set in 18th century Paris, reached number 11 in the Sunday Times Chart

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Author living in	Virginia, USA

Previous Titles

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We All Come Home Alive

Anna Beecher

Keynote

For readers of Maggie O Farrell's *I Am, I Am, I Am*, a breathtakingly beautiful book about the shocks - of joy, of sadness, of survival - that make up a life, by one of our finest authors

Description

A life is made up of many shocks -

The scream of wheels over asphalt as cars collide.

The unexpected death of a loved one and the long trek of grief.

The swift loss of a mind and the work of refinding it, raw and quivering as a newborn mouse.

The brutality of teenage girlhood. The abiding temptation of hunger. The stumbling spinning magic of drunkenness. The cost.

The violent acts of others.

The falling into love, for once utterly awake.

Birth: the tearing open of a body and of reality itself.

In *We All Come Home Alive*, Anna Beecher tells the story of her life through the moments which remade her. Written with wisdom and luminous beauty, this is a book that offers consolation and companionship, for readers of Emilie Pine's *Notes to Self* or Maggie O'Farrell's *I Am, I Am, I Am*.

Sales Points

- **Hopeful, helpful topic:** This is a book about shocks, about the crises that mark a life, and how to survive them. Anna addresses the pandemic, bereavement, puberty, pregnancy with deep empathy and real hope. This book will speak loudly to contemporary readers.
- **Appetite for this kind of non-fiction:** Maggie O'Farrell's *I Am, I Am, I Am*; Emilie Pine's *Notes to Self*; Sinéad Gleeson's *Constellations*, Ann Patchett's *These Precious Days* and Ariel Levy's *The Rules Do Not Apply* have shown how much people want to read this kind of book.
- **Star author:** Anna Beecher was shortlisted for the *Sunday Times* Young Writer of the Year Award for her most recent book, alongside Megan Nolan, Caleb Azumah Nelson, Cal Flynn and Rachel Long

Reviews

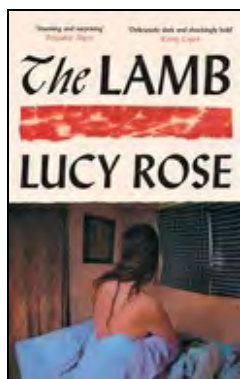
- **'What a gorgeous book. Lovingly told, with a poet's eye for the small miracles to be found in each passing moment. Such light and poetic prose, at times unspeakably tender. There were so many moments I found incredibly moving'** - Charlie Gilmour, on *HERE COMES THE MIRACLE*
- **'I adored this novel. Very lovely'** - Pandora Sykes, on *HERE COMES THE MIRACLE*
- **'Powerful, sensual, deeply moving . . . A stunning novel I read in two evenings'** - Clover Stroud, on *HERE COMES THE MIRACLE*

Author Biography

Anna Beecher's work is about love. She is interested in dignity, rebellion and lives shaped by loss. She is a graduate of the Fiction MFA at the University of Virginia and a winner of the \$10,000 Henfield Prize for Fiction. Anna has written widely for theatre and performance and her work has been presented by venues including Lincoln Centre, Southbank Centre and the Barbican. She teaches creative prose writing at the University of Virginia.

Market

For fans of: Maggie O'Farrell's *I Am, I Am, I Am*; Emilie Pine's *Notes to Self*; Sinéad Gleeson's *Constellations*; Ann Patchett's *These Precious Days*; Ariel Levy's *The Rules Do Not Apply*



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Author living in	Newcastle, UK
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The Lamb The literary debut of 2025

Lucy Rose

Keynote

A gripping, sinister folktale set in contemporary Cumbria for fans of Sophie Mackintosh, Angela Carter, Daisy Johnson, Margaret Atwood and Julia Armfield

Description

'The Lamb . . . is not out until January but it has already created a buzz'
Sunday Times

'Deliciously dark and shockingly bold. Lucy Rose is one to watch. One of my favourite debuts in a long time'
Kirsty Logan

A FOLK TALE. A HORROR STORY. A LOVE STORY. AN ENCHANTMENT.

Margot and Mama have lived by the forest since Margot can remember. When Margot isn't at school, they spend quiet days together in their cottage, waiting for strangers to knock on their door. Strays, Mama calls them. Mama loves the strays. She feeds them wine, keeps them warm. Then she satisfies her burning appetite by picking apart their bodies.

But Mama's want is stronger than her hunger sometimes, and when a white-toothed stray named Eden turns up in the heart of a snowstorm, little Margot must confront the shifting dynamics of her family, untangle her own desires and make a bid for freedom.

With this tender coming-of-age tale, debut novelist Lucy Rose explores how women swallow their anger, desire and animal instincts - and wrings the relationship between mother and daughter until blood drips from it.

Sales Points

- **A RISING LITERARY STAR:** Lucy Rose is a Cumbrian-born writer and filmmaker; a Curtis Brown Creative Breakthrough alumni who was awarded Arts Council DYCP funding for literary development. This debut marks the beginning of a major literary career and was pre-empted in the US by Harper.
- **GENRE-BENDING FICTION:** *The Lamb* sits somewhere at the intersection of literary and gothic, horror and magic realism, folklore and romance. At its heart this book is about a young girl trying to find her way in the world, navigating a claustrophobic mother-daughter relationship and finding her own moral and ethical boundaries.
- **A SHOCKING CANNIBAL FOLKTALE:** This mother-daughter cannibal story is a truly unnerving reading experience that also manages to be a luminous, precise and playful literary coming-of-age tale.
- **UNLIKEABLE FEMALE CHARACTERS:** This book interrogates female rage, cruelty and desire, refusing to shy away from unlikeable female protagonists. The author has said: 'I'm looking for a place where female characters can be a little bit unhinged, unlikeable and unmasked.'

Reviews

- **'Deliciously dark and shockingly bold - someone needs to make this into a film right now! Lucy Rose is one to watch. This is one of my favourite debuts in a long time'** - Kirsty Logan

Author Biography

Lucy Rose is a writer and filmmaker with an interest in the gothic, girlhood and horror. Her short fiction and personal essays have been published in *Dread Central*, *Mslexia*, *Ghouls on Film* and more. She's proud to be a Curtis Brown Creative Breakthrough alumni writer and one of Mslexia's featured columnists and fiction writers. In early 2023, she was awarded Arts Council DYCP funding for literary development. She currently lives in Newcastle.



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The Time of the Fire

Emma Kavanagh

Keynote

What if the clues to solve your father's murder lay buried in another time?

The Time of the Fire is an urgent and timely speculative eco-thriller that explores the concept of family, of nature versus nurture, of power imbalances between the corporate and the natural world, and asks: what if things had been different?

Description

Northern California, end of summer. Fire Hazard Severity Zone: Very High.

A mysterious death.

On the anniversary of her mother's death, CEO-in-waiting Robyn Sandoval goes for a morning run. She knows her father - a local fire fighting hero - is desperate to speak to her, to tell her something he wants her to know before she starts her new job leading the corporation that owns most of their Northern Californian town of Destino. But when Robyn arrives, she finds him dead.

A devastating fire.

Meanwhile, after months of drought, a freak forest fire ignites on the mountain ridge looming over the town. Destino has never burned; its unique position protected by the seemingly insurmountable barrier of the ridge, a favourable wind direction, and a belief long held by the community that they are categorically safe.

A life split in two.

Robyn is shaken to the core by her father's death, and her life is shattered in two, the fabric of her reality shorn by the sheer force of her grief.

The next time she wakes, everything is different: her father is alive, and there's no sign of the fire on the ridge.

To understand what is happening, she has to confront not only the secrets of her past but both versions of her present. Because back in her world, the fire is spreading and the time to find answers is running out...

Sales Points

- This is a propulsive genre-bender contending with a cocktail of searingly prescient themes including small-town hysteria, generational trauma, and climate collapse.
- The author is a former police and military psychologist specialising in psychopathy.

Author Biography

Emma Kavanagh was born in Wales in 1978 and currently lives in South Wales with her husband and two young sons. She trained as a psychologist and, after leaving university, started her own business as a psychology consultant, specialising in human performance in extreme situations. For seven years she provided training and consultation for police forces and NATO and military personnel throughout the UK and Europe. For more information, tweet Emma @EmmaLK

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Author living in **Totnes, Devon**

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Black Widows; Blood Sisters

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The Bridesmaid

Cate Quinn

Keynote

The latest glamorous, suspenseful and exciting thriller from Cate Quinn, perfect for fans of Liane Moriarty and Sarah Pearse.

Description

Adrianna, heir to the multimillion dollar Kensington nightclub empire, is planning her dream wedding - a lavish ceremony funded by exclusive sponsors, on the Kensington's private tropical island **Elysium**.

There's only one flaw in her perfect plans. Elysium holds traumatic memories as the place where she was kidnapped and held hostage for three days on her 21st birthday - a case that was never solved...

When a bridesmaid is murdered the night before the dress fitting, it soon becomes clear that Adrianna won't be able to get hitched without a hitch. The body is staged in a gruesome display, chillingly reminiscent of Adrianna's kidnapping.

When forensic expert **Holly** becomes embroiled in this alien world, the secrets that have dogged the bride and her bridesmaids since childhood start to come out. The answers lie on Elysium, if Holly can find her way into this playground of the rich and famous - and more importantly, if she can get out of it alive...

PRAISE FOR CATE QUINN:

'Absolutely thrilling' **ALEX MICHAELIDES**, bestselling author of *The Silent Patient*

'A superior, creeping psychological thriller taut with tension and drama' **SEATTLE TIMES**

'Utterly compelling'
MARIAN KEYES

'A sly, contemporary crime masterpiece. I loved it'
ADRIAN MCKINTY

'Intense, gripping, superb'
WILL DEAN

'Atmospheric and addictive'
THE SUN

Sales Points

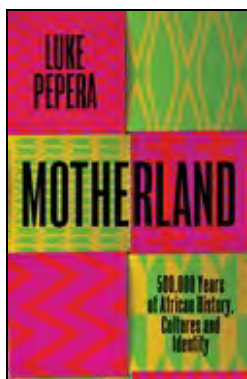
- **ESCAPIST FICTION FROM AN EXPERT:** Before becoming an author, Cate was a successful **travel journalist** - so she knows exactly how to sweep readers away to exotic, remote locations, which is what makes her books so very 'atmospheric and addictive' (*The Sun*)
- **CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED:** Cath has received brilliant reviews from the New York Times, Observer, Sunday Times and more.
- **AMAZING AUTHOR QUOTES:** Cate's fans include Marian Keyes, Elly Griffiths, Harriet Tyce, TM Logan and more, and we'll be collecting quotes from major names in the lead up to publication.

Reviews

- 'Oh, my, can this author write women!' - *NEW YORK TIMES*
- 'Utterly compelling' - *MARIAN KEYES, Praise for Black Widows*
- 'Atmospheric and addictive' - *THE SUN, Praise for Black Widows*
- 'This is not the usual story of vulnerable women in jeopardy ... but one in which the victims fight back' - *SUNDAY TIMES, Praise for Blood Sisters*

Author Biography

Cate Quinn is a travel and lifestyle journalist for *The Times*, the *Guardian* and the *Mirror*, alongside many magazines. Prior to this, Quinn's background in historic research won prestigious postgraduate funding from the British Art Council. Quinn pooled these resources, combining historical research with first-hand experiences in far-flung places to create critically acclaimed and bestselling historical fiction.



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Author born in	Ghana
Author living in	Bishop's Stortford

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Motherland A Journey through 500,000 Years of African Culture and Identity

Luke Pepera

Keynote

A groundbreaking exploration of 500,000 years of African history, cultures and identity

Description

'Simultaneously capacious and personal...a masterful achievement' Tom Holland

'Elegant and powerful, Pepera's magnificent book elevates our understanding of Africa's overlooked histories' Olivette Otele, author of African Europeans

Motherland is a ground-breaking exploration of African culture and identity, told via Luke Pepera's journey through 500,000 years of history to connect with his extraordinary heritage. Pepera tackles the questions many people of African descent ask - Who are we? Where do we come from? What defines us? And how might knowledge of deep history affect our understanding of our identity?

With illuminating examples, Pepera explores aspects of African identity from nomadic culture to matriarchal society. We meet an array of intriguing characters including Mansa Musa, the wealthiest man who ever lived, and the Kandake Queen Amanirenas, who defeated the Romans in Nubia. We learn how the response to the actor Chadwick Boseman's death demonstrated Yoruba beliefs about ancestral veneration, and how the rap battle evolved from earlier forms of African oral literature.

Interwoven with Luke's own experiences of exploring his Ghanaian family history, this is a comprehensive, relevant and beautifully told account of the stories that have shaped Africa.

Sales Points

- **Fresh angle on a big subject.** This book looks beyond the colonial period and the 400 years since slavery, to encompass the 500,000 years of African history before that period. Luke cleverly links this history to the present day world showing why it is constantly relevant to people of African descent, and to all of us, today.
- **Fantastic author.** Luke is young, energetic and well-connected. He has a degree in ancient and medieval African history from Oxford University. He combines academic rigor with a gift for mass-market communication and storytelling.
- **Endorsements.** Luke is mentored by Kate Williams and Simon Sebag Montefiore. He is close to Dan Snow and has presented his own documentary on the History Hit channel. We will be able to use these connections to garner early endorsements from high profile names in the history world.
- **Personal.** Luke was born in Ghana and he explores his own family history in the book. His own investigations around national identity inform the wider narrative. He'll be able to talk about this personal journey for publicity.

Author Biography

Luke is a writer, broadcaster, historian, and anthropologist dedicated to sharing his passion for African history & cultures. He was born in Ghana, and has a degree from St Peter's College, Oxford, where he read Archaeology & Anthropology and studied ancient and medieval African history. Since graduating he has worked at the Pitt Rivers Museum, The Times, and Tatler, and has written and presented *Africa: Written Out of History*, a documentary for Dan Snow's History Hit.

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The Dance of Shadows

Rogba Payne

Keynote

High fantasy inspired by West African spirituality that follows a young musician drawn into a battle between gods. Perfect for fans of S. A. Chakraborty, Joe Abercrombie and Marlon James's *Black Leopard, Red Wolf*.

Description

Rumi and his family are Odu, stricken with poverty and disparaged by the other tribes. When ruthless agents of the Palmaine - the colonising nation that dominates the continent of Basmine - threaten to destroy the village market, Rumi takes it upon himself to liberate his family. Taking a place in the prestigious Golden Room, where earnings from his music offer a chance at freedom, he shoulders his pride and resentment in a bid to make it to the top.

On what should be Rumi's greatest night at the Golden Room, his life is turned upside down. A terrifying individual known as the Priest of Vultures attacks Rumi and his family. Before her death, Rumi's mother, Adunola, solicits the help of a dying god and saves Rumi, setting him on the path to become a Shadowwielder: warriors with the ability to use their shadow as a weapon. But Rumi's need for vengeance may be more important to him than the future of his people...

Sales Points

- Epic heroic fantasy with a compelling lead character and a richly devised world of mythology, magic and music
- Author splits time between London and Lagos, and will make sure to be here for launch
- Deeply inspired by the slave trade, colonisation and tribal politics
- Mixes the musical and magical training of NAME OF THE WIND with the battle between good and evil
- For readers of Marlon James' BLACK LEOPARD RED WOLF, Tomi Adeyemi's CHILDREN OF BLOOD AND BONE or fans of Nnedi Okorafor or Patrick Rothfuss

Reviews

- 'An engrossing saga of magic and music, which painfully illustrates how someone's true purpose in life can be knocked off course by oppression and war' - *Eddie Robson, author of Drunk on All Your Strange New Words*
- 'with this very entertaining debut, joins the likes of Nnedi Okorafor and Tade Thompson in bringing a refreshing Afrocentric perspective to genre tropes' - *Financial Times*
- 'A rich, detailed and (be warned) visceral take on high fantasy that leaves you impatient for sequels' - *SFX*

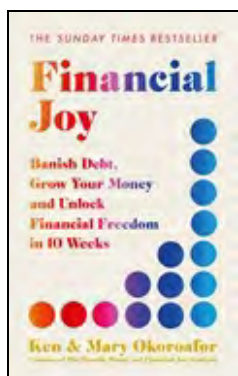
Author Biography

Born in London and the first of three, Rogba was raised across both London and Lagos, Nigeria. He is a descendant of John Augustus Otunba-Payne; the noted lawyer, writer and murdered prince of the Ijebu-Ode royal family. Rogba first began writing while studying law at university - where the shapes of the characters in his debut, 'the Dance of Shadows', first took form.

He is particularly interested in the deep-rooted beliefs, myths and stories that underpin culture and the beautiful lies that often inspire them.

Now a lawyer, living in Lagos, he is most alive writing speculative fiction that examines issues of power, prejudice and spirituality.

Rogba studied law in England before returning to Nigeria, where he found employment at a corporate law firm. There he worked his way up to a Senior Counsel before leaving to start his own practice with three like-minded peers. At the same time, Rogba actively pursued a literary career.



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Financial Joy

Banish Debt, Grow Your Money and Unlock Financial Freedom in 10 Weeks - INSTANT SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER

Ken Okoroafor and Mary Okoroafor

Keynote

A practical 10-week financial plan to build wealth whilst prioritizing your wellbeing and fun, aimed at readers starting with minimal resources and beyond.

Description

THE INSTANT SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER

As seen on ITV's This Morning! A life-changing 10-week plan to help you to turn your life around and design a path to financial freedom, enriched with the small experiences that bring you joy.

Stop worrying about money. Start enjoying your life.

You might be struggling in debt, living paycheque to paycheque, or worried about preparing for retirement; maybe you're considering your first investment, or you just want an escape plan from the '9 to 5'. Wherever you are on your journey, this book will revolutionize your lifestyle and your relationship with money.

Authors Ken and Mary Okoroafor started out as resource-poor, working-class immigrants and have built a life of financial independence and joyful moments through hard work, smart saving and savvy investing. They know what it feels like to start from ground zero, and as a chartered accountant and former CFO, Ken shares his financial expertise to help you unlock the secret to building wealth.

You'll learn how to take control of your finances, develop good money habits, become debt-free, invest in assets and multiply your income so you can create the freedom to travel, spend time with your loved ones and plan for a stress-free (early) retirement - all whilst prioritising your wellbeing and having fun!

It also includes a dozen real-life interviews with singles, couples and those with children, from different backgrounds, age groups and stages of their money journey, including a few well-known public figures.

Financial joy can be achieved by anyone - and it can start today, not tomorrow.

'The book that's been missing from this genre. A joy to read and learn from.' -- Cait Flanders, bestselling author of THE YEAR OF LESS and ADVENTURES IN OPTING OUT

'A book to savour' - JL Collins, author of the international bestseller The Simple Path to Wealth

'The most joyful money book out there' - Selina Flavius, author of Black Girl Finance

Sunday Times Bestseller No.6 in Paperback Non-fiction April 2024

Sales Points

- Key message is that financial joy is accessible to all. The 10-week plan is designed for those starting from a position of debt or minimal resources.
- Ken is a first-generation immigrant who came to the UK from Lagos, Nigeria aged 14. He started from ground zero with no money and limited rights, but went on to qualify as a chartered accountant and worked his way up to CFO. The authors are not coming from a place of privilege compared to a lot of authors in this space. Inspiring personal story paired with deep knowledge of finance.
- Unique angle of taking control of your finances while prioritising your wellbeing and fun.
- Ken and Mary are a married couple and provide financial advice through a family lens.

Reviews

- 'If there's one book you read this year, it should be *Financial Joy*. Ken and Mary hold your hand through a comprehensive overhaul of your financial life and guide you to the hidden treasure trove of joy buried inside you.' - Julien and Kiersten Saunders, authors of *Cashing Out* and creators at richandregular.com
- 'In this brilliant book, Ken and Mary have created a perfect blend of inspiration and

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- practical steps to help ANYONE get their financial lives in order. Read it, apply it and experience the joy of financial control. Highly recommended!' - Pete Matthew, *creator of Meaningful Money*
- 'This is a book to savor, and Ken & Mary have organized it so you can do just that. In it you'll find a journey of ten weeks, each designed to take you ever closer to financial freedom the way it should be done: Joyfully.' - JL Collins, *author of the international best-seller The Simple Path to Wealth and Pathfinders*
 - 'An entertaining gem of a book whose financial advice is timeless. Reading the book is like sitting down with two caring friends who believe in you and want you to succeed financially. There's no doubt in my mind that if you need just one book to guide you successfully on your money journey, this is it.' - Chad Carson, *host of the Real Estate Investing with Coach Carson podcast*

Author Biography

Ken & Mary Okoroafor are a married couple who achieved financial independence by age 34, 100% debt-free, having paid off £380k mortgage. They are the founders of The Humble Penny and The Financial Joy Academy to help others achieve financial independence. Ken is a first-generation immigrant, Chartered Accountant, MBA and former CFO. Mary was born in London to hard working immigrant parents of Nigerian heritage. They live in South-east England with their two children.

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The Quality of Madness A Life of Marcelo Bielsa

Tim Rich

Keynote

Marcelo Bielsa is one of football's greatest eccentrics and greatest enigmas. This will be the first English biography of one of football's most contradictory characters.

Description

'Everyone with new ideas is thought mad until they work' Marcelo Bielsa

Marcelo Bielsa is one of the great enigmas of world football. To Pep Guardiola, he is the finest mind in the game, a fabulously innovative and obsessive coach who transformed Leeds United, Marseille and Athletic Bilbao after winning three league titles in his native Argentina.

Yet Bielsa is a manager who has won very much less than his reputation suggests. He lasted two days at Lazio and led Argentina to their greatest footballing disaster.

Featuring interviews from across South America, Europe and Yorkshire, *The Quality of Madness* is a comprehensive and compelling biography tracing Bielsa's story from growing up as a member of one of Argentina's most remarkable families to his revival of Leeds and his comeback with Uruguay at the Copa América.

Bielsa has long been known as 'El Loco' - 'The Madman' - and yet, as Tim Rich's revelatory study shows, there is mercurial method and audacious logic to the madness.

Sales Points

- First biography of this defining figure in modern football
- Bielsa is a major influence on many of the key Premiership managers
- Tim Rich is the author of the acclaimed *Caught Beneath the Landslide*

Author Biography

Although he began his career in sports journalism as a cricket writer for the *Sunderland Echo*, **Tim Rich** has been captivated by football for half a lifetime. Working for *The Independent*, *The Daily Telegraph* and *The 'i' Paper*, he has covered Newcastle United under Bobby Robson, Manchester United under Sir Alex Ferguson and, latterly, Jürgen Klopp's Liverpool. *On Days Like These* is his third book and follows his acclaimed biography of Marcelo Bielsa, *The Quality of Madness*, which was shortlisted for The Daily Telegraph Football Book of the Year. He lives in Cheshire with his stepdaughter, Rose and their three cats.

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Publication date	Thursday, January 16, 2025
Price	£12.99/₹1,050
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BIC 2.1	Biography: sport (BGS) Sports & outdoor recreation (WS)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	496 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can
In-House Editor	Richard Milner

Previous Titles

9781529428575 On Days Like These

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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	432 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
In-House Editor	Emma Capron
Book locale	USA
Author living in	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
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PS: I Hate You

an emotional, enemies-to-lovers romcom perfect for fans of P.S. I Love You and Emily Henry

Lauren Connolly

Keynote

P.S. I Love You meets **Emily Henry** in this beautifully bittersweet enemies-to-lovers romcom.

Description

<h5>'Made me laugh, cry, smile, and everything in between . . . a heartwarming story of healing and finding love when you least expect it' - Jo Segura, USA Today bestselling author of *Raiders of the Lost Heart* </h5>

In this splendidly bittersweet romantic comedy, enemies forced together by a mutual loss are led on a cross-country journey toward a second chance.

Maddie Sanderson would do anything to honour her brother's final wishes, but she did not sign up to partner with Josh's best friend, Dominic Perry.

Tasked with spreading Josh's ashes over eight destinations - places that he never got to visit before he died - Maddie is forced to work with the man that broke her heart.

Embarking on a series of farewell trips together isn't what either of them had in mind, but with a letter from Josh at each location, neither of them has a choice.

Alone together for the first time in years, Maddie and Dom can't deny their chemistry. But as sparks fly and old wounds reopen, will saying goodbye to the man they both loved be enough to bring them back together . . . ?

<h4> **Readers love P.S. I Hate You . . .** </h4>

'Simply **incredible** . . . an **absolutely perfect** mix of emotional and romantic' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'What a **fantastic, moving, special** book'

⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'I **loved** this so much!' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'A **great** read with **heartbreaking** undertones and a **hot** romance at its core'

⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'I haven't **devoured** a book like this in so long'

⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'A story like this one **does not come around very often**'

⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'**Life-changing**' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'You **NEED to read** this book' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

Sales Points

- A gorgeously written, heartbreaking romance about finding yourself after loss from award-winning author Lauren Connolly
- Features tropes including brother's best friend, enemies-to-lovers, second chance romance and only one bed
- *P.S. I Love You* for the TikTok generation

Reviews

- 'Lauren's writing is **spellbinding** and her books are **unputdownable**! I always fall in love with her characters' - Penny Reid, *New York Times* bestselling author
- '**Made me laugh, cry, smile, and everything in between . . . a heartwarming story of healing and finding love when you least expect it - but when you need it most. This book had me hooked**' - Jo Segura, *USA Today* bestselling author of *Raiders of the Lost Heart*
- 'A **poignant** exploration of the ways love and loss intertwine, *P.S. I Hate You* has everything I look for in a **great read**' - Bridget Morrissey, author of *That Summer Feeling*
- 'Seamlessly blending witty one-liners with heartstring-tugging prose, Connolly delivers

not just a story, but a profound emotional experience' - *Livy Hart, author of The Great Dating Fake Off*

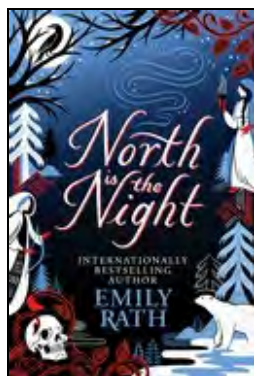


Author Biography

Lauren Connolly is an award-winning author of contemporary and paranormal romance stories. She's lived among mountains, next to lakes, and in imaginary worlds. Lauren can never seem to stay in one place for too long, but trust that wherever she's residing there is a dog who thinks he's a troll, twin cats hiding in the couch, and bookshelves bursting with stories written by the authors she loves.

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North Is The Night The Tuonela Duet book 1

Emily Rath

Keynote

An epic queer romantasy retelling of the Kalevala by the author of the viral self-published sensation PUCKING AROUND for fans of UPROOTED and THE BEAR AND THE NIGHTINGALE

Description

With the dark, mythical magic of the Winternight trilogy, and the slow-burn romance of *Spinning Silver*, NORTH IS THE NIGHT is a feminist fantasy adventure that shows the power of female friendship and how love -- both romantic and familial -- can conquer even death itself.

In the harsh interior of the Finnish wilderness, best friends Aina and Siiri are inseparable despite their opposite natures: Aina is gentle and cautious while Siiri is headstrong and brave. But their friendship is put to the test when Aina is kidnapped by a death goddess and taken to the mythical underworld Tuonela.

Determined to save her friend, Siiri embarks on a dangerous journey north to seek out Väinämöinen, the only mystical shaman to travel to Tuonela and return alive. As the dark winter looms, Siiri uses all the strength she possesses to survive her journey, which is plagued by trappers, a band of roving wolves, and a cunning snow witch with her own quest for power. But finding Väinämöinen is only the beginning. Siiri must convince him to share his magic so she can sneak into Tuonela and save Aina.

In Tuonela, Aina is forced to play the sadistic games of Tuonetar, the cruel queen of the underworld, alongside other captured maidens. But Aina's kindness allows her to make allies in the dark, harsh environmen. She soon discovers that Tuoni, the god of death and king of Tuonela, is also a victim of Tuonetar's spells that can only be broken when he remarries. To save him and the other girls, Aina offers herself as his bride.

As she spends more time in the underworld, Aina falls in love with Tuoni and must make a decision that will alter the course of her fate forever . . . not knowing her fearless friend is on the way and plotting a daring escape.

An extraordinary story of love, of courage, of friendship and of magic, NORTH IS THE NIGHT is the stand-alone first novel in an incredible duology.

Sales Points

- Quercus secured publication rights to NORTH IS THE NIGHT in an epic, seven-way auction.
- NORTH IS THE NIGHT is completely stand-alone, and is the first half of a duology. The second book, also stand-alone, will publish a year later.
- An incredible retelling of the Kalevala, a medieval Finnish epic saga, NORTH IS THE NIGHT will appeal to fans of romantasy like *A Dawn of Onyx* and mythological retellings such as *Ithica* and *Song of Achilles*.
- Author Emily Rath is a best-selling self-published romance sensation. Her hockey romance PUCKING AROUND has 87,000+ ratings on Goodreads.

Author Biography

Emily Rath was raised in Northern Kentucky. A life-long lover of words, she's been writing for as long as she could hold a pencil. Her earliest stories were about daring egg burglars, majestic horse lords, and seafaring adventurers.

She put story-writing on hold for a few years...quite a few years...as she pursued higher education. She chose to focus on her other soul mate: international politics. This lover showed her the world outside of books.

Now, she holds a BA in political science and philosophy and a PhD in peace studies and political science. She specializes in African politics and credits her time living in Malawi for reigniting her love of writing. She's currently a full time storyteller and lives in Florida.

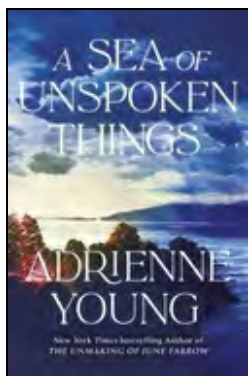
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 Extent **288 pages**
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 Exclusively for Sale **Can; UK; USA**
 Not for Sale **Katherine Burdon**
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Book locale **California, USA**
 Author living in **North Carolina, USA**

Previous Titles

Spells for Forgetting
The Unmaking of June Farrow

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A Sea of Unspoken Things

the new magical mystery from the bestselling author of *Spells for Forgetting*

Adrienne Young

Keynote

Set among the Californian redwoods, this is the mesmerising new novel from the internationally bestselling author of the Fable series and *Spells for Forgetting*

Description

'Haunting, heartbreaking, and gorgeously atmospheric' KATE GOLDEN
'Adrienne Young's writing is simply magic' EMILY RATH

Two twins. An unbroken bond. A truth unspoken.

The only thing James and Johnny Golden have ever had is each other. For as long as she can remember, James's deep connection with her twin brother, Johnny, has gone beyond intuition - she can feel what he feels. So, when Johnny is killed in a tragic accident, James knows before her phone even rings that her brother is gone and that she's alone - truly alone - for the first time in her life.

When James arrives in the rural town of Hawthorne, California to settle her brother's affairs, she's forced to rehash the ominous past she and Johnny shared and finally face Micah, the only person who knows about it. He's also the only man she's ever loved.

But James soon discovers that the strange connection she had with Johnny isn't quite gone, and the more she immerses herself into his world, the more questions she has about the brother she thought she knew. Johnny was keeping secrets, and he's not the only one.

What she uncovers will push her to unravel what happened in the days before Johnny's death, but in the end, she'll have to decide which truths should come to light, and which should stay buried forever.

READERS LOVE ADRIENNE YOUNG

'Oh my god, I adored this book' **5* reader review**

'Spellbinding' **Jodi Picoult**

'Delightful' **5* reader review**

'Bewitching' **Rebecca Ross**

'Incredibly atmospheric' **5* reader review**

'Exquisite' **Stephanie Garber**

'Eerie and mysterious' **5* reader review**

'Captivating' **Sue Lynn Tan**

Sales Points

- Adrienne Young is an internationally bestselling author whose profile continues to grow and grow, with an engaged social media following and annual visits to the UK for events and retreats
- Publishing simultaneously with Delacorte / PRH US

Reviews

- **'Haunting, heartbreaking, and gorgeously atmospheric,** Adrienne Young has crafted a small-town mystery filled with as many swoon-worthy moments as juicy, unexpected twists. **The perfect blend of mystery, magical realism, and magnificent romance'** - *Kate Golden, author of The Sacred Stones series*
- **'Haunting and lyrical, A Sea of Unspoken Things** completely swept me away. **Adrienne Young's writing is simply magic'** - *Emily Rath*
- **'Will trick you, bewitch you and leave you begging for more'** - *Stephanie Garber on SPELLS FOR FORGETTING*
- **'Young once again blends mystery, magic, and romance** in a story that spans time' - *Library Journal*



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Main Identifier	9781529425901
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Binding	Hardback
Format	Royal
Depth	36mm
Extent	368 pages
Word Count	
Series	DI Ryan Wilkins Mysteries
Exclusively for Sale	Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can
In-House Editor	Jon Riley
Book locale	Oxford
Author born in	Sheffield
Author living in	Oxford

Previous Titles

The DI Ryan Wilkins Mysteries
A Killing in November
The Broken Afternoon
Lost and Never Found

The Finder Mysteries
Missing Person: Alice
The Case of the Lonely Accountant

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

A Voice in the Night the razor-sharp fourth book in the DI Ryan Wilkins Mysteries

Simon Mason

Keynote

The gripping fourth book in the DI Ryan Wilkins Mysteries, which started with *A Killing in November*.

Description

DEEP DECEPTION. TWISTED FATE.

'As great a contribution to the noble British genre of detective fiction as any writer for decades' Stephen Fry

Thames Valley has a new Superintendent - DCS Wainwright - young, charismatic and ruthless, charged with pushing through big reforms. Her in-tray is full of problems - and at the top of the pile is the problem of Wilkins and Wilkins.

Trailer park boy DI Ryan Wilkins, interesting looking in baggy trackies and over-large lime-green puffa. In his personnel file is a handwritten note scribbled by the outgoing Super: 'Do not, repeat not, give him responsibility.' And posh boy DI Ray Wilkins, improbably handsome in navy blazer and tan chinos: 'Thinks too highly of himself. More experience needed at the wet end.' Their previous investigations - though somehow successful - were models of disorder and dysfunction. The new Super needs to take action.

There's been a shocking murder in the heart of Oxford, the stabbing of a security guard during an attempted armed robbery. Meanwhile, an elderly professor of linguistics goes missing from his home in cosy Iffley Village.

The high-profile murder investigation can be safely handled by reliable detective DI Hare. The entry-level enquiry into the wandering academic can be given to the problem duo, with instructions to keep it simple. But when the body of the professor is found, still dressed in his pyjamas and dripping wet, spreadeagled on a hotel lawn miles from home, things get a little unexpected for the Wilkinses. Will Ray keep on top of the brief? Will Ryan keep it together?

PRAISE FOR SIMON MASON

'Terrific' Mick Herron

'This moody, atmospheric novel is full of surprises' *Sunday Times* (Crime Book of the Month)

'[W]ell plotted and very funny' *Sun*

'This has a TV series written all over it' *Daily Mail*

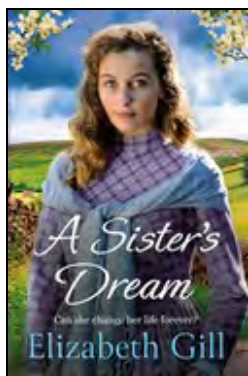
Sales Points

- Simon Mason's DI Ryan Wilkins Series has been shortlisted for the CWA Dagger prize, received Audio Book of the Week in *The Times* and heralded as 'Inspector Morse for the 2020s'.
- This fourth book develops the relationships inside the force and between Ray and Ryan, as well as offering a compelling plot and surprising twists, with Simon's trademark look into Oxford's divides and tensions as a city space.
- Perfect for fans of Mick Herron and Val McDermid, as well as Simon's growing and avid readers of the Series.

Author Biography

SIMON MASON has pursued parallel careers as a publisher and an author, whose YA crime novels *Running Girl*, *Kid Got Shot* and *Hey, Sherlock!* feature the sixteen-year-old slacker genius Garvie Smith. A former Managing Director of David Fickling Books, where he worked with many wonderful writers, including Philip Pullman, he has also taught at Oxford Brookes University and has been a Royal Literary Fund Fellow at Exeter College, Oxford.

Lost and Never Found is the third book in the DI Ryan Wilkins Mysteries. The first book, *A Killing in November*, received widespread critical acclaim and was shortlisted for the CWA Gold Dagger. The Second book, *The Broken Afternoon*, was a Times Audio Book of the



A Sister's Dream

a moving and uplifting emotional saga from the author of *An Orphan's Wish*

Elizabeth Gill

Keynote

The new heart-wrenching, yet hopeful, historical saga from Elizabeth Gill.

Description

The new heart-wrenching, yet hopeful, historical saga from Elizabeth Gill.

After falling pregnant unexpectedly, sixteen-year-old Catrin is devastated when her neglectful father sends her away and has her baby taken from her.

Then she's reunited with her brother Roddy, a trainee doctor, and Catrin determines to change her life for the better, despite her grief, by learning to become a doctor in her own right.

But society isn't welcoming to female doctors or unmarried mothers. Will Catrin be able to win her patients' trust and fulfil her dream to help other women like her? And will she ever be able to find the child she's never forgotten?

Sales Points

- The third book in the Hilda House series, which also reads as a standalone
- Elizabeth Gill has written over 40 historical sagas in her career, writing heartbreaking yet hopeful stories full of compassion
- Emotional saga set in the 1900s with strong female characters, perfect for fans of Dilly Court and Rosie Goodwin

Reviews

- 'Elizabeth reminds us that there is always hope in the face of darkness' - *Katie Fforde*
- 'Elizabeth writes such strong female characters, who never fail to succeed in the face of adversity' - *Trisha Ashley*
- 'Elizabeth Gill writes with a masterful grasp of conflicts' - *Leah Fleming*
- 'If you love Catherine Cookson then you will love Elizabeth Gill' - *Northern Echo*

Author Biography

Elizabeth Gill was born in Newcastle upon Tyne and as a child lived in Tow Law in County Durham where her family owned a steelworks. She has spent all her life in Durham but recently moved to North West Wales to be near her family. She can see the sea from her windows and spends a lot of time eating seafood, drinking orange wine and walking the family Labrador, Izzie, on the beautiful beaches.

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Modern & contemporary fiction (post c 1945) (FA)
North & North East England (1DBKEY)
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Extent **416 pages**

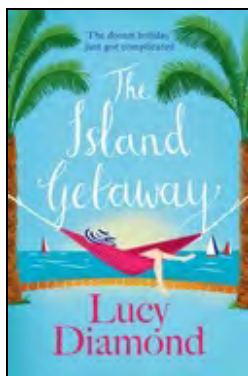
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In-House Editor **Emma Capron**

Book locale **County Durham/Edinburgh/Wales**
Author born in **Newcastle upon Tyne**
Author living in **Pembrokeshire, Wales**

Previous Titles

The Lost Girl from Far Away (9781529421101)
An Orphan's Wish (9781529421071)
A Home of Her Own (9781529435917)
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In-House Editor	Cassie Browne

Book locale	Kefalonia, Greece
Author living in	Bath, England

Previous Titles

Anything Could Happen
The Best Days of Our Lives
I Remember Paris

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The Island Getaway

Lucy Diamond

Keynote

The brand new sun-soaked novel from the bestselling author of *Anything Could Happen* - pre-order now!

Description

The dream holiday just got complicated . . .

On the sun-drenched island of Kefalonia, the new arrivals at The Ionian Escape hotel are hoping for a break from everyday life. But some of them are bringing a lot of baggage . . .

Disgraced TV star Miranda Vallance feels like the worst person in the world. Her sister won't speak to her and her job's on the line. She's desperate to put things right, but how?

Eighty-two-year-old Evelyn Chambers has come to the Greek Islands to fulfil a promise to the love of her life. If she can steel herself to go through with it, that is . . .

And when celebrity chef Frank Neale checks in, rumours swirl around the hotel. But is it his wife, Leonora, who has more of a reason to escape to Greece?

***The Island Getaway* is a big-hearted novel from the queen of bestselling fiction, celebrating second chances, true love and the life-affirming joy of unlikely friendships.**

Praise for Lucy Diamond

'I can't wait for my next book from Lucy Diamond' 5* READER REVIEW

'Fabulous, uplifting and life-affirming' MY WEEKLY

'Fabulous story telling and the most wonderful reading experience . . . spellbinding' 5* READER REVIEW

'Lucy has a way of dropping you into the heart and minds of her characters' FIONA PALMER

'Another book by Lucy Diamond that I couldn't put down' 5* READER REVIEW

'Warm, tender, but also funny' THE SUN

'I love all of Lucy's books' 5* READER REVIEW

'No one does real life like Lucy Diamond' VERONICA HENRY

'Lucy writes with such warmth and sympathy' 5* READER REVIEW

Sales Points

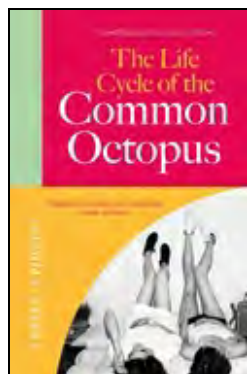
- This is the sun-soaked new novel from Sunday Times bestselling author Lucy Diamond about second chances, true love and the life-affirming nature of unexpected friendship. Warm and big-hearted, *The Island Getaway* is the PERFECT holiday read featuring the gorgeous setting of Kefalonia.
- For the first time since we published *Lucy*, Australia and New Zealand will be matching our hardback in both publication date and cover look.
- Lucy works well in eBook and in promotion, and our aim will be to capitalise on the escapist holiday elements of this book's proposition both in digital and in paperback, later in the summer.

Reviews

- **'PRAISE FOR LUCY DIAMOND: Wise, moving and heart-warming - this is Lucy Diamond at her very best' - Rosie Walsh**
- **'A touching, feelgood story to escape into, full of love, hope and joy' - Sunday Express**
- **'No one does real life like Lucy Diamond' - Veronica Henry**
- **'Full of escapism and beautiful places, fabulous characters, romance, hope and kindness' - Milly Johnson**

Author Biography

Lucy Diamond grew up in Nottingham and has lived in Leeds, London, Oxford and Brighton. She now lives in Bath with her family. Lucy is the *Sunday Times* bestselling



The Life Cycle of the Common Octopus

Emma Knight

Keynote

A charming and scintillating coming-of-age debut novel set in the city of Edinburgh. Perfect for fans of Nora Ephron, Elizabeth Jane Howard and Coco Mellors.

Description

'A spellbinding debut about friendship, motherhood, first love, and the choices that bind us' CARLEY FORTUNE

'Addictive, nostalgic and comforting, this layered family mystery crept round my heart' CLAIRE DAVERLEY

Pen and Alice, childhood best friends from Toronto, are in their first year at the University of Edinburgh. Each has come to the city for her own reasons.

Pen knows her divorced parents back in Canada are hiding something from her. She believes she'll find the answer here in Scotland, where an old friend of her father's - now a famous writer known as Lord Lennox - lives. When she is invited to spend the weekend at Lennox's centuries-old estate with his enveloping, fascinating family, Pen begins to unravel her parents' secret, just as she's falling in love for the first time . . .

Meanwhile Alice, an aspiring actor, sees university as her route to the West End and beyond. The star of this year's theatre production, she's making the most of the power she wields as an object of desire - until an affair with her tutor begins to slip from her control.

Witty, warm and wildly unputdownable, *The Life Cycle of the Common Octopus* is at once a love story and an irresistible mystery, a celebration of female friendship, and a study of how looking back can help us move forward.

'A book to lose yourself in' FRAN LITTLEWOOD

'Brimming with heart' JENNY JACKSON

'Luminous . . . as smart as it is delicious, as nostalgic as it feels fresh' ASHLEY AUDRAIN

'Joyous, clever, and wholly transportive' KATY HAYS

'Emma Knight's witty, wistful debut will keep you up all night' JOANNA RAKOFF

Sales Points

- **Perfect for fans of Curtis Sittenfeld, Lily King, Elizabeth Jane Howard and Coco Mellors**
- Publishing simultaneously with **Pamela Dorman Books/PRH US** and **PRH Canada**
- Wise and diverting, *THE LIFE CYCLE OF THE COMMON OCTOPUS* is at once **a love story**, an exploration of **female friendship** and **a coming-of-age novel** layered with **an irresistible mystery** surrounding an eccentric aristocratic British family.

Reviews

- **'Addictive, nostalgic and comforting**, this layered family mystery **crept round my heart** like a modern-day Dodie Smith' - *Claire Daverley, international bestselling author of TALKING AT NIGHT*
- **'The Life Cycle of the Common Octopus** is **a spellbinding debut about friendship, motherhood, first love, and the choices that bind us**. Emma Knight whisks us away to Scotland, where Penelope Winters navigates her first year at Edinburgh University while untangling a family mystery. I couldn't put it down!' - *Carley Fortune, #1 New York Times bestselling author of This Summer Will Be Different and Meet Me at the Lake*
- **'I'm in love with this luminous debut** - the charm on every page, the enthralling cast of characters, the dialogue to die for. Academia, friendship, young love and family secrets, this is **as smart as it is delicious, as nostalgic as it feels fresh**. I wish I could read it all over again for the first time. Emma Knight is **a blazing new literary talent**' - *Ashley Audrain, #1 bestselling author of THE PUSH and THE WHISPERS*
- **'Whip smart, unrestrainedly fun, and bursting with heart**, readers will fall in love with the rambling, glorious world of Talmorach and the secretive, aristocratic family of Lord Lennox. **A novel about finding ourselves, falling in love, and meeting that precious group of friends whom we call family**, Knight's debut is the modern-day Mitford novel I've been searching for. **Joyous, clever, and wholly transportive**, I loved every page!' - *Katy Hays, NEW YORK TIMES bestselling author of THE CLOISTERS*

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Author Biography

Emma Knight is a writer, journalist and entrepreneur based in Toronto. Emma's writing about books, maternal health and more has appeared in *Literary Hub*, *British VOGUE*, *The Globe and Mail*, *The Walrus* and *The International New York Times*.

Emma is a co-creator and co-host of the culture podcast, FANFARE and has two cookbooks published by Penguin Random House.

Emma studied Modern Languages at the University of Edinburgh and has an MA in Journalism and an MSc. in International Development from Sciences Po, Paris. While in Paris, Emma worked for *The New York Times* and the World Association of Newspapers.

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Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	230x180
Extent	208 pages
Word Count	45000 words
Illustrations	200
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
In-House Editor	Liz Faber
Book locale	N/A
Author living in	London
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Sustainable and Regenerative Materials for Architecture A Sourcebook

Will McLean and Pete Silver

Keynote

Architects! Lead the change in responsible and creative material use.

Description

There is a creative explosion of work taking place in architecture and design schools exploring materials such as mycelium, clay/earth, engineered timber, bio-based plastics and algae. This handbook of low- and no-carbon materials for architects and designers focuses on sustainable materials, their sourcing, technical properties and the processes required for their use in architecture.

The book showcases new and rediscovered processes for material fabrication, responsible sourcing and creative material design. Material properties (structural, thermal, fire, health and life safety) are described and case studies from around the world illustrate the inventive ways in which these materials have been deployed in the built environment. The book is designed as an introduction to the exciting and rapidly changing world of construction materials.

With a better understanding of the social, environmental and economic sustainability of any given material - alongside its technical properties - students of architecture can lead the change in responsible and creative material use.

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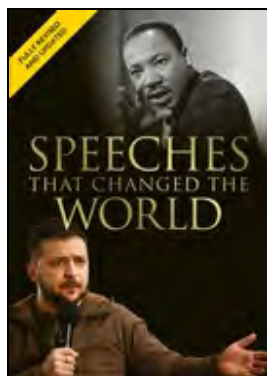
- Includes a wealth of images as well as performance data
- Showcases the most cutting edge advances from around the world
- Will inspire practising and student architects to make better materials choices

Author Biography

Pete Silver and Will McLean teach at the School of Architecture and Cities at the University of Westminster, London. They are the co-authors of *Structural Engineering for Architects* (2014) and *Introduction to Architectural Technology Third Edition* (2021).

Market

Student/professional



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Binding **Hardback**
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Speeches That Changed the World

Keynote

A fully revised and updated edition, containing over 50 momentous and thought-provoking speeches from throughout history.

Description

From calls to arms to demands for peace, and from cries of freedom to words of inspiration, this stirring anthology captures the voices of prophets and politicians, rebels and tyrants, soldiers and statesman, placing them in historical context.

With over a million copies already sold, this completely revised and updated pocket edition includes speeches by those that have truly shaped the modern world: from Greta Thunberg to Donald Trump, and from Nadia Murad to Volodymyr Zelenskyy. A biography of each speaker reveals how they came to stand at the crossroads of history, and each speech is accompanied by an introduction explaining its historical context and how it influenced the momentous events of the day - as well as those that followed.

By turns moving and thought-provoking, this new edition reveals a modern world in which freedom of speech remains a powerful agent of change - and gives unique perspectives on key turning points in history.

Contents include: Nelson Mandela, Barack Obama, Martin Luther King, Jr, Queen Elizabeth I, Oliver Cromwell, George Washington, Napoleon Bonaparte, Abraham Lincoln, Emmeline Pankhurst, Mohandas K. Gandhi, Adolf Hitler, Joseph Stalin, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Charles de Gaulle, George S. Patton, Jr, Malcolm X, Vaclav Havel, Mikhail Gorbachev, Indira Gandhi and Winston Churchill to name a few.

Sales Points

- Over one million copies sold of this definitive book.
- Fully revised and updated with recent speeches by major global figures including: Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, US President Joe Biden and UN Secretary-General António Guterres..
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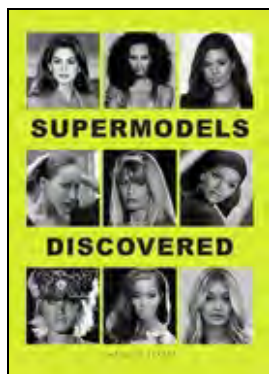
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Binding	Hardback
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Extent	216 pages
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Supermodels Discovered

Caroline Leaper

Keynote

The origin stories of the greatest supermodels of all time, featuring exclusive interviews with icons including Pat Cleveland, Claudia Schiffer, Stephanie Seymour and Halima Aden.

Description

The question that every supermodel gets asked repeatedly is 'how were you discovered?' Fans love to hear how, where and why their icons were plucked from reality and thrown into the hyper-glamorous world of high fashion. Many of the most famous women in the industry have fairytale-like origin stories. Several faced challenging upbringings, coming from obscurity or poverty before being scouted by chance in a supermarket or airport. Some became celebrities overnight, others fought their way up from a very young age.

Hundreds of good models are discovered annually but very few manage to capture public attention and keep it. Many of the supermodels who will feature in this book upturned industry norms and beauty ideals, and faced tremendous rejection before finding success.

Sales Points

- Supermodels never go out of fashion and the original supermodels continue to fascinate
- The discovery stories are a perfect vehicle for telling the inspiring but little known rags-to-riches or coming-of-age tales of the models
- A beautiful celebration of talent from diverse origins around the world, from Lisa Fonssagrives-Penn to Adut Akech, via Naomi, Cindy, Linda and Christy

Author Biography

Caroline Leaper is the deputy fashion director at The Telegraph and regularly reports from the major fashion shows in Paris, London, Milan and New York. During her career, she has also written for Vogue, Elle, Marie Claire, InStyle, Glamour and Stylist and interviewed numerous fashion stars, including Naomi Campbell, Claudia Schiffer, Ashley Graham and Halima Aden.

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The Life-Changing Power of Tarot Reading the Cards for Self-Empowerment

Georgia White

Keynote

A beautifully illustrated introduction to reading tarot cards for personal empowerment by Georgia White, a professional tarot reader with over 1 million followers on TikTok.

Description

**THIS IS NOT A BOOK ABOUT FORTUNE-TELLING.
THIS IS A GUIDE FOR PERSONAL GROWTH.**

TikTok sensation Georgia White (@bundleofjoyyy) is a **professional tarot reader and mindset coach** who has garnered over 1 million followers for her insightful card readings.

Her fresh perspective shifts the focus from traditional fortune-telling to **transformative personal growth**, demonstrating how Tarot can be a powerful tool to **break out of unhelpful thought patterns**, navigate challenges, and develop a growth mindset.

Illustrated with **stunning bespoke artwork** for a contemporary take on the classic Rider Waite imagery, discover how each card reflects **strengths, weaknesses, challenges, and opportunities**.

Whether you're a complete novice or seasoned practitioner, this book will teach you how to harness the wisdom of tarot for self-reflection, overcome any self-limiting beliefs, and above all, **cultivate a more intentional life**.

Sales Points

- **A Tarot guide for Gen-Z** - Georgia is an exciting new voice speaking to the next generation of Tarot readers. She has 1.3 million followers on TikTok and some of her videos have as many as 7 million views with 945k likes. 43% of her audience are based in the US.
- **Visually stunning, 4-colour illustrated beginner's guide**, with 78 specially-commissioned artworks for each card.
- **USP** - a Tarot guide specifically for using the cards as a **tool for self-help and personal growth**, rather than traditional fortune-telling.
- **Author's personal story** - **Georgia used tarot to navigate very difficult personal experiences**, including the sudden and tragic loss of her mother, and the death of her best friend aged 22, and her own mental health struggles. She wants to show others how to use tarot to as a powerful self-help tool.

Author Biography

GEORGIA WHITE is an intuitive Tarot reader and Mindset Coach with over a million followers on TikTok. She is dedicated to empowering individuals on the transformative journey of self-discovery. Find her on TikTok **@bundleofjoyyy** or Instagram **@bundleofjoyyyx**.

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Drawing for Product Designers Second Edition From Hand Sketching to Virtual Reality

Kevin Henry

Keynote

Everything a product designer needs to know about drawing - from hand sketching to virtual environments

Description

Designers do far more than visualize new products; they are called upon to imagine a future and bring it to life through visuals. Whether such futures begin as elaborate maps and diagrams of emerging technology or speculative "world-building," the contemporary designer's skill set must cover the entire spectrum, from abstract to representational, and from "low fidelity" to "high fidelity" visualizations.

The advent of tablet-based sketching, VR sketching, and hybrids bring new and more intuitive ways of working. But confidence in manipulating lines, curves, and surfaces in space (whether flat, computer-assisted, or virtual) will remain a coveted skill regardless of where technology leads. In this practical guide to both hand-and computer-drawn design, essential principles are outlined so that readers will learn to think in 3D and build complex design ideas that are structurally sound and visually clear. Specially created sketches and computer models show how to develop rough sketches into finished illustrations, while also explaining how to select the right type of representation for the right purpose.

This revised edition contains new material on sketching principles, working across platforms, and hybrid workflows. Also new to this edition: coverage of UX/UI design for smart devices and digital platforms, and information on cutting-edge technology such as AI tools and intuitive and collaborative VR sketching platforms. There are fifteen new case studies featuring work by leading designers, and a selection of videos further illuminate themes discussed in the book.

List of chapters:

The Sketching Spectrum
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Exploring Ideas in Space and Time
Sketching and Storytelling

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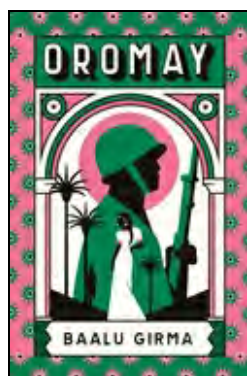
- Revised and updated in-depth coverage of traditional sketching skills and CAD
- Cutting-edge coverage of digital user interface/user experience design
- Accompanied by step-by-step tutorials and new case studies of leading designers
- Additional resources include videos

Author Biography

Kevin Henry is Professor at Columbia College in Chicago where he is coordinator of the Art and Design Department's Product Design programme. He is also an independent design consultant and an award-winning furniture designer. Kevin has interviewed leading designers such as Petra Blaisse and Konstantin Grcic and is a regular speaker on both furniture and design.

Market

Students of product/industrial design



Oromay

Baalul Girma

Translated by David DeGusta, Mesfin Felleke Yirgu

Keynote

A lost classic of African literature - an engrossing political thriller and a turbulent tale of love and war.

Description

"Astonishing and compelling . . . Impossible to put down" Maaza Mengiste, author of *The Shadow King*

Ethiopia, 1982: After a decade of conflict, the government is determined to quash the Eritrean insurgency once and for all. As head of propaganda, it's Tsegaye's job to keep the people inside.

When the Red Star Campaign lands him in Asmara, Tsegaye is swept up in the city's nightlife, the bars and coffeehouses buzzing with spies and government agents. But even as Tsegaye begins to fall in love with Asmara – and with bold, dazzling, enigmatic Fiammetta – his misgivings about the campaign grow, and soon his loyalties will be tested to their limit.

Tsegaye is confronted with the horror of war when the army attacks the insurgents' mountain stronghold, and encounters betrayals that shake his faith in both the regime and human nature.

A masterpiece of Ethiopian literature, *Oromay* is a thrilling political satire and a turbulent tale of love and war. It became an instant sensation when first published in 1983 and was quickly banned. Baalu Girma vanished in 1984, most likely kidnapped and murdered by the same regime in retaliation for this novel.

Translated from Amharic by David DeGusta and Mesfin Felleke Yirgu

Sales Points

- The first official translation of what is generally considered Ethiopia's best-known novel.
- For readers of Maaza Mengiste, Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie, Chinua Achebe, Namwali Serpell, Wole Soyinka.
- A refund classic in the vein of *A Different Drummer* (William Melvin Kelley), *The Passenger* (Ulrich Boschwitz) and *Suite Française* (Irène Némirovsky).
- Translator David DeGusta worked as a paleoanthropologist in Djibouti and Ethiopia, where he came across *Oromay*.

Reviews

- '*Oromay* is an astonishing and compelling tale of revolution and betrayal. It is also the story of Tsegaye - witty, observant, and dedicated - who finds love at the same time as he discovers how dangerous his world really is. Written with breathtaking psychological precision, Baalu Girma's novel is still frighteningly relevant today. *Oromay* is impossible to put down. As the last book ever written before Baalu Girma disappeared, what you have before you is also an uncompromising testimony to the power of words to outlast regimes. *Oromay* is a gift to a new generation of readers' - Maaza Mengiste, author of *The Shadow King*
- 'Reading *Oromay* sent me back to when I first watched *Casablanca*. It has the same surefire set of ingredients that draws you into the story and makes you empathise with its characters. Eritrea in the 1980s, war, junta, coffee shops where local spies and CIA agents drink coffee, a love story . . . A gripping novel that has 'documentary' flavour' - Andrey Kurkov
- 'A startling, intimate and gripping saga of war-time Ethiopia turned topsy-turvy. In his brave dissection of rampaging power and evasive language, Girma recalls George Orwell and Aldous Huxley' - Okey Ndibe, author of *Foreign Gods, Inc.*
- 'A novel widely believed to have cost its author his life, a prayer against war, oppression and the erosion of our humanity. David DeGusta and Mesfin Felleke Yirgu have done an outstanding job translating *Oromay*, giving the world access to one of the most important and enduring works of literature in Ethiopia' - Djamila Ibrahim

Author Biography

Born in rural Ethiopia in 1939, BAALU GIRMA graduated from Addis Ababa University and later studied journalism in the United States. He rose to prominence in Ethiopia in the 1960s and 70s as both a journalist and novelist, eventually becoming a top official in the Ministry of Information under the Derg dictatorship. He wrote six popular and critically acclaimed Amharic-language novels: *Beyond the Horizon*, *The Bell of Conscience*, *The Call of the Red Star*, *Haddis*, *The Author* and his final novel, *Oromay*. His candid portrayal of the regime in *Oromay* caused a sensation and the government immediately banned the

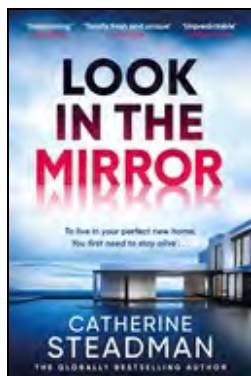
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Look in the Mirror

the addictive, heart-pounding thriller from the author of *Something in the Water*

Catherine Steadman

Keynote

The brand new gripping thriller from the author of *Something in the Water* and *The Family Game*.

Description

'Addictive, thrilling, intoxicating' LISA JEWELL

'An utter white-knuckle ride of a plot' LUCY FOLEY

'A must-read' SARAH PEARSE

In this paradise you won't like what you see . . .

When Nina's father dies, she inherits a gleaming dream vacation home in a balmy tropical paradise - one she had no idea existed. The house is extraordinary: state-of-the-art, all glass and marble. How did her sensible father ever have enough money for this? And why not tell her about it? Desperate to uncover why he hid such a big secret, she decides to visit.

Maria, once an ambitious medical student, is now a nanny for the super-rich. The money's better, and so are the destinations - like this new assignment in the British Virgin Islands. But when her wards never show, Maria begins to make herself at home, spending her days luxuriating by the pool. There's just one rule: Don't go in the basement. But her curiosity might just get the better of her. And soon, she'll wish her only worry was not getting paid.

As both women's timelines intertwine, dark secrets start to unravel and one thing quickly becomes clear - nothing could have prepared them for what they are about to encounter.

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Sales Points

- Catherine Steadman is an internationally bestselling author of psychological thrillers loved by readers, reviewers and authors alike - including the Reese Book Club pick *Something in the Water*
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Reviews

- 'An absolute rollercoaster of a read. It will leave you breathless' - *Jane Fallon*
- 'Smart and spine-tingling . . . I inhaled it' - *Harriet Walker*
- 'An inheritance puzzle turns sinister in this **beguiling, atmospheric** mystery. **A seductive, expertly plotted page-turner that will give you the shivers**' - *Louise Candlish*
- 'Unpredictable and deeply unsettling, a must-read' - *Sarah Pearse*

Author Biography

Catherine Steadman is a *New York Times* bestselling author, screenwriter & actress based in London. Her first novel, *Something in the Water*, was a *New York Times* bestseller, a Reese's Book Club pick and a Richard & Judy Book Club pick with rights sold in more than thirty territories. She is also the author of *Mr Nobody*, *The Disappearing Act* and *The Family Game*.

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The Secret of Villa Serena

escape to the Italian sun with this romantic feel-good read

Domenica de Rosa

Keynote

Escape to the Italian sun with Elly Griffiths, author of the Dr Ruth Galloway mysteries, writing as Domenica de Rosa.

Description

From Elly Griffiths, bestselling crime author, writing as Domenica de Rosa, comes a heartfelt, witty story of one woman's journey from heartbreak to adventure, full of gorgeous Italian flavour.

Emily Robertson looks like the woman who has it all: the lovingly restored Tuscan farmhouse, the three beautiful children, the successful, attentive husband. But when her husband dumps her by text, she has to face up to some stark home truths.

She has no money, her cleaner hates her, her eldest girl is out of her depth with the local seducer, her middle daughter is dangerously underweight, and her darling baby is fast becoming a brat. She doesn't even have any Italian friends

Even as Emily admits that she's not living the Tuscan dream, she finds herself drawn into the village of Monte Albano and discovers the genuine Italy, darker and more intriguing than she had ever imagined. If she can get over a lingering obsession with her youthful first love, an attractive stranger might be about to show her the time of her life...

What readers are saying about *The Secret of Villa Serena*

'Wonderful . . . it will take you to Tuscany' 5* Reader Review

'Couldn't put it down' 5* Reader Review

'A brilliant read' 5* Reader Review

'Romance, comedy . . . brilliant, it has it all' 5* Reader Review

'A lovely book to get lost in' 5* Reader Review

Sales Points

- Perfect for fans of Santa Montefiore and Victoria Hislop
- As Elly Griffiths, Domenica de Rosa is a No 1 bestseller
- Author of the Dr Ruth Galloway Mysteries

Author Biography

Domenica de Rosa started her career working at the Bookseller, and went on to work in children's publishing. She is now a full time writer and, under the name Elly Griffiths, is the author of the bestselling Dr Ruth Galloway mysteries and the Brighton mysteries. Domenica is half-Italian and loves the Tuscan coast. She has two grown-up children and lives in Brighton with her archaeologist husband and their cat, Pip.



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You Are My Sunshine

A heartwarming wartime story of friendship and love

Rosie Archer

Keynote

A heart-warming story of friendship and love, set during WW2. Perfect for fans of Pam Howes, Elaine Everest and Nancy Revell.

Description

1944, the darkest days of the war.

Trixie and Vi are back in Gosport and doing their bit to help Britain win the war. Felling trees is backbreaking, but at least they know they're doing vital work.

Trixie has a new boyfriend, Eddie. He's charming, handsome, and always flush with cash - a real Gosport catch, though Vi isn't so sure. Something about Eddie doesn't seem quite right, and Vi will do anything to convince Trixie that she's making a mistake with this relationship.

Though Trixie loves Eddie, she finds it hard to forget Cy, the man she fell in love with at the start of the War, who was declared missing in action. As the bombs fall on Gosport both girls have big decisions to make.

Will their friendship carry them through the hardest days?

What readers are saying about Rosie Archer

'An amazing read' 5* Reader Review

'Kept me hooked from the beginning' 5* Reader Review

'Great characterisation' 5* Reader Review

'A wonderful storyteller' 5* Reader Review

'Heart-warming' 5* Reader Review

Sales Points

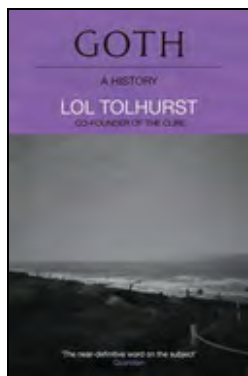
- Rosie sells well through libraries, supermarkets, special sales and eBooks.
- The saga market remains strong and Rosie's previous sagas have seen consistent sales and preorders.

Reviews

- 'Rich in period detail and, as always, **passion, drama, friendship and family** take star billing. A **warm and appealing** story' - *Lancashire Evening Post* on *THE BLUEBIRD GIRLS*
- 'This **warm, nostalgic and gritty** wartime series sings out loudly about the power of **friendship, family and community**' - *Blackpool Gazette* on *THE FORCES' SWEETHEARTS*
- '**Brimming with nostalgia, drama, friendships** and the popular songs of wartime' - *Chorley Guardian* on *THE BLUEBIRD GIRLS*

Author Biography

Rosie Archer was born in Gosport, Hampshire, where she still lives. She has had a variety of jobs including waitress, fruit picker, barmaid, shop assistant and market trader selling second-hand books. Rosie is the author of several Second World War sagas set on the south coast of England, as well as a series of gangster sagas under the name June Hampson.



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Goth: A History

Lol Tolhurst

Keynote

A fascinating deep dive into the dark Romanticism of Goth music by one of its central figures.

Description

'Goth can plausibly claim to be the near-definitive word on the subject' - Guardian

Goth is an entertaining and evocative personal history of Goth music and culture, told by a true insider. Lol Tolhurst explores the godfathers of goth who established the genre's roots - THE CURE, which he co-founded with Robert Smith, contemporaries SIOUXSIE AND THE BANSHEES, BAUHAUS, JOY DIVISION - plus many more great bands that offered a place of refuge for the misfits of the 80s and ever since.

Lol offers a fascinating deep dive into the movers and shakers of goth, imbued with his personal memories as well as those of fellow musicians, magicians and artists who make goth such an inevitable and enduring movement. Along the way he examines acts such as DEPECHE MODE and COCTEAU TWINS who helped the darkness expand. Finally, Tolhurst examines the legacy of goth music, and shows how its influence can still be seen to this day across music, film, TV, visual arts and social media.

As thoughtful and thorough as it is utterly bewitching, *Goth* is a timeless testament to why Goth matters - and why it always will.

Sales Points

- A comprehensive study of gothic culture, by one of its biggest and most influential names. Lol has unparalleled connections to the gothic scene and a wide audience, with almost 19k Instagram followers and 24k on Twitter.
- Tolhurst has already published a successful book, *Cured: The Tale of Two Imaginary Boys* and so already has an established readership. *Cured* sold almost 3.5k copies in hardback.
- A must-read for any fan of The Cure and gothic culture.

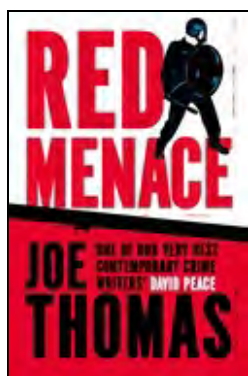
Reviews

- 'An alluring mix of strangeness and vulnerability' - *Irish Business Post*
- '*Goth* can plausibly claim to be the near-definitive word on the subject' - *Guardian*
- '*Goth* manages to be both challenging and cosy' - *Daily Telegraph*
- '*Goth* does considerable justice to the [goth] movement and subculture' - *Irish Independent*

Author Biography

Lol Tolhurst is best known as co-founder of The Cure. Formed in 1976, The Cure is one of the most influential, successful and critically acclaimed bands of its generation.

Tolhurst is an inductee to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and author of *Cured: A Tale of Two Imaginary Boys*.



Red Menace

Joe Thomas

Keynote

The second book in the acclaimed United Kingdom Trilogy takes us from Live Aid to Broadwater Farm, exposing the seedy underbelly of Thatcher's Britain

Description

"A very early candidate for the crime novel of the year" *IRISH TIMES*

Live Aid, July 1985. The great and the good of the music scene converge to save the world. But the TV glitz cannot disguise ugly truths about Thatcher's Britain.

Jon Davies and Suzi Scialfa have moved on since the inquest into the death of Colin Roach, but they're about to be drawn back into the struggle - Jon by his restless curiosity and Suzi by the reappearance of DC Patrick Noble.

Noble's other asset, the salaried spycop Parker, is a pawn in a game he only dimly comprehends. First, he's ordered to infiltrate the Broadwater Farm Estate in Tottenham; next will come Wapping, ground zero of a plot to smash the print unions. But who is Noble working for, and how far can he be trusted?

The Iron Lady is reforging the nation, and London with it. Right to Buy may secure her votes, but who really stands to benefit? Corruption is endemic and the gap between rich and poor grows wider by the day. Insurrection seems imminent - all that's needed is a spark.

REVIEWS FOR *WHITE RIOT*, A *SUNDAY TIMES* BOOK OF THE YEAR

'Represents everything that is good and important about the crime fiction genre' *Irish Times*
'Enthralling' *Sunday Times*
'Gripping' *The Times*
'Propulsive' *Guardian*

Sales Points

- *White Riot*, the first novel in the trilogy, was a Thriller of the Month in the *Sunday Times* and a Book of the Week in *The Week*
- The United Kingdom Trilogy, which takes us from 1979 to 1997, Joe Thomas presents a crime series where the criminal is the government and the victim the country.

Reviews

- 'The second chapter in Thomas's epic trilogy of policing and corruption in 1980s East London . . . Juggling storylines like a box-set drama rather than a conventional thriller, Thomas builds up an absorbing portrait of a time when everything was in the balance' - John Williams, *Mail on Sunday*
- 'A blistering exposé of the reality beneath the shiny surface of the 1980s . . . Toss in some crack cocaine and realpolitik of breathtaking cynicism at the highest levels of British government, all of it told in a style leavened with gallows humour of the blackest variety, and you have a very early candidate for the crime novel of the year' - *Irish Times*

Author Biography

JOE THOMAS was born in Hackney in 1977. He is the author of the critically acclaimed São Paulo quartet - *Paradise City*, *Gringa*, *Playboy*, and *Brazilian Psycho* - and *Bent*, which was a *Guardian* Best Book of 2020 and an *Irish Times* pick of the best crime fiction of 2020. His new novel, *White Riot*, the start of a trilogy set in Hackney in the 1970s and 1980s, is to be published by Arcadia in January 2023, and will be followed by *Red Menace* and *True Blue*. Joe lives in London with his partner and son, and teaches at City, University of London.

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The Winter Visitor

the explosive new thriller set in the badlands of Essex

James Henry

Keynote

Essex in February. Cold enough to catch your death.

Description

Essex, February, 1991. The weather is biting cold. Everyone would rather be somewhere warmer, which is why it's a big surprise when a wanted drug smuggler, Bruce Hopkins, risks a return to his old haunts in Colchester after a decade long exile on the Costa del Sol. Lured back by a letter from the wife Hopkins left behind, no one is more surprised than him when he finds himself abducted and stripped bare only to be sent to a watery grave in the boot of a stolen Ford Sierra. The police wonder if it could be retaliation from a Spanish gang, sending a warning to their English counterparts?

DS Daniel Kenton is teamed up with the unorthodox DS Brazier to investigate a crime wave which takes in not only the murder of an expat dope smuggler, but a sophisticated arson attack on a Norman church and the unexpected suicide of an ageing florist. Could there possibly be a thread that connects them?

Written with the humour and period detail that have become his trademark, and set in the badlands of his beloved Essex, *The Winter Visitor* is James Henry at his inimitable best.

Sales Points

- An explosive thriller set in James Henry's beloved Essex badlands.

Reviews

- 'A highly readable novel with an entertaining storyline and intriguing characters.' - *Crime Time*
- '**Pacy and expertly engineered, this is a superior police procedural** with a wonderful sense of place and time; pitch-perfect period detail range from the start of the "care in the community" policy of deinstitutionalisation, to mis-sold endowment mortgages and Man at C&A. **Highly recommended.**' - *Guardian (Best recent Crime and Thrillers)*
- '**Extremely well-written . . . let's hope for a swift return of this oddball duo.**' - *Irish Independent*

Author Biography

James Henry is the pen name for James Gurbutt. He has written four prequels to R.D Wingfield's Frost series and three Essex-based novels featuring DI Nick Lowry. He works in publishing and lives in Essex.

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SAS Great Escapes Three Gripping True Escape Stories Executed by World War Two Heroes

Damien Lewis

Keynote

The new bestseller from Damien Lewis, the Regiment's de facto historian.

Description

'Damien Lewis is both a meticulous historian and a born storyteller' Lee Child

'Now that's a Great Escape! How 34 members of the SAS evaded 5,000 Nazi troops in blizzard conditions, after wreaking havoc in Italian mountain ambush ... The full gripping story of Operation Galia and the incredible escape that followed.' *Mail Online*

FIVE OF THE MOST DARING ESCAPES CARRIED OUT BY THE SAS DURING WORLD WAR TWO

SAS Great Escapes Three recounts how warriors of the world's most famous fighting force, the SAS, carried out five of the most daring escapes of World War Two. Ranging from the very birth of the SAS, to the post D-Day battles for Nazi-occupied Europe, these **gripping true stories** cover some of the most iconic operations of the regiment, and its key characters, while also including **untold tales of courage and endurance beyond compare**.

Told in classic Damien Lewis style, each account plunges the reader into the escapees' experiences - sharing the **most terrifying yet astounding moments** of their lives. They include unimaginable **accounts of survival in the face of staggering odds**, episodes of nerve-wracking bluff and deception, plus knife-edge ambushes with enemy forces hell-bent on wreaking vengeance.

In this new volume of incredible special forces feats, bestselling author Damien Lewis has **worked closely with World War Two veterans and the families** of those portrayed, accessing wartime diaries, letters, mission reports, interrogation transcripts and more, to relate how the men of the SAS were hunted by the enemy and forced to **fight their way out of certain death or capture**. Around every corner, upon every decision and every movement lurked the possibility of discovery.

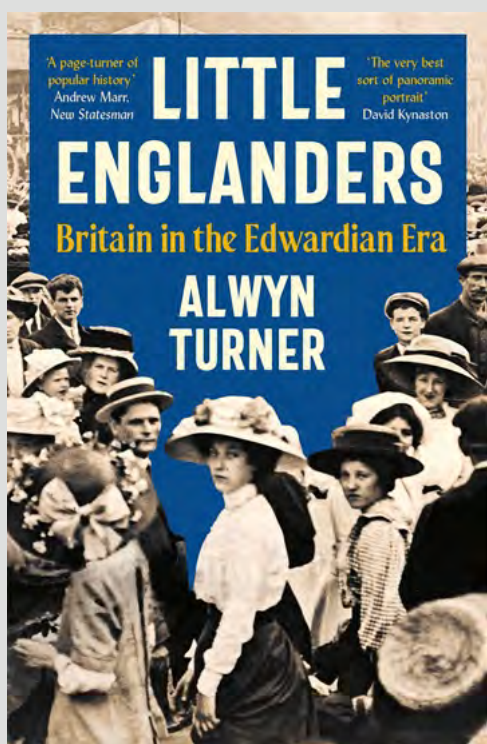
Yet with every step, breath and turn taken, these fugitives epitomized the do-or-die spirit of the SAS to overcome.

Sales Points

- By acclaimed *Sunday Times* no. 1 bestseller Damien Lewis.
- Damien Lewis has numerous major film and television projects in development, including the film *THE MINISTRY OF UNGENTLEMANLY WARFARE* directed by Guy Ritchie, which will be released in April 2024.
- Building on the bestselling and growing success of *SAS Great Escapes* and *SAS Great Escapes Two*

Author Biography

Damien Lewis is a number one bestselling author whose books have been translated into over forty languages worldwide. For decades he worked as a war and conflict reporter for the world's major broadcasters, reporting from across Africa, South America, the Middle and Far East and winning numerous awards. His books include the World War Two classics *The Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare*, *SAS Nazi Hunters*, *SAS Ghost Patrol*, *SAS Band of Brothers* and *SAS Forged in Hell*. A dozen of his books have been made, or are being made, into movies or TV drama series and several have been adapted as plays for the stage. *The Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare* has recently been released as a Guy Ritchie movie of the same name. He has raised tens of thousands of pounds for charitable concerns connected with his writings.



REVIEWS

'There have been plenty of books on the Edwardians before, but never one as richly enjoyable as this' - Dominic Sandbrook, *Sunday Times*

'Amusing and engaging ... [a] portrait of a poignant interlude in British history' - Andrew Martin, *Observer*

'A page-turner of a popular history of the period, crammed with humour and striking quotes' - Andrew Marr, *New Statesman*

'*Little Englanders* hums and thrums to the texture and tone of everyday Edwardian life' - *Daily Mail*

'Engrossing ... Alwyn Turner is an assured guide to this brief but dramatic era' - *Daily Telegraph*

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Little Englanders

Britain in the Edwardian Era

ALWYN TURNER

KEYNOTE

An authoritative and entertaining history of the Edwardian age, told through its politics and popular culture

SALES POINTS

- Alwyn Turner is one of Britain's most acclaimed social historians, whose previous titles have sold more than 25k copies
- The first major history of Edwardian England in some years, bringing the Edwardian age to life as much through its music hall songs and pulp fiction as its politics
- Hardback edition was critically acclaimed across national media

DESCRIPTION

'The very best sort of panoramic portrait' David Kynaston

'The Edwardians have long been the lost decade of British history, yet they are that history at its climax. Alwyn Turner sets the record straight, bringing its characters, strains and stresses brilliantly to life' Simon Jenkins

When Queen Victoria died in 1901 it was the end of an era. Many later remembered the era that followed as the long afternoon of an empire where the sun never set. Yet the Edwardians knew the country was in a state of flux; the seismic change that they felt would transform modern Britain forever.

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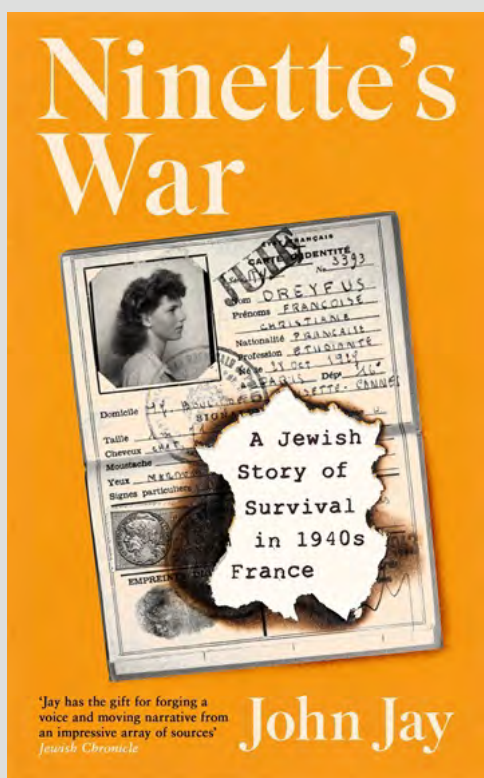
Alwyn Turner is best known for his trilogy of books about Britain in the last decades of the 20th century: *Crisis? What Crisis?* (2008), *Rejoice! Rejoice!* (2010) and *A Classless Society* (2013). His last book, *All in it Together: England in the Early 21st Century* was a *Sunday Times* 'Book of the Year'.

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REVIEWS

‘Praise for *Facing Fearful Odds*’ - :

‘This book is a **well-written and moving act of filial homage**, where Jay discusses a father always beyond his reach ... leaving behind little more than a few pages of an abandoned memoir and book of poems, *Facing Fearful Odds* **explores the mystery** and tries to make sense of his father's tragic post-war life’ - Nigel Perrin, author of *SPIRIT OF RESISTENCE*, *Times Literary Supplement*

‘A pacey and well-researched from an impressive array of sources, *Facing Fearful Odds* is a **moving testament to filial love**. Jay has the journalists gift for moving a narrative along in a pacey fashion, and **takes us to the heart of darkness where so many men like his father had to dwell**, giving him a voice through this work of love’ - Ben Barkow, director of the Wiener Library for the Study of the Holocaust and Genocide, *Jewish Chronicle*

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Ninette's War

A Jewish Story of Survival in 1940s France

JOHN JAY

KEYNOTE

For readers of *House of Glass*: the heartwrenching true story of a young Jewish woman coming of age in wartime France

SALES POINTS

- Based on the unheard testimony of Ninette through conversation tapes and diary entries, *NINETTE'S WAR* will contain specially commissioned maps of her journey and a trove of personal photographs from the family
- The Dreyfus' were the second most influential Jewish family after the Rothschilds and counts figures such as Einstein, Colette and Marguerite Duras as part of their social circle
- *NINETTE'S WAR* will publish in time to commemorate the 24th National Holocaust Memorial Day and will feature as part of the Jewish Book Week 2025 Programme
- John Jay is a former managing editor for *The Sunday Times* and is well connected for publicity

DESCRIPTION

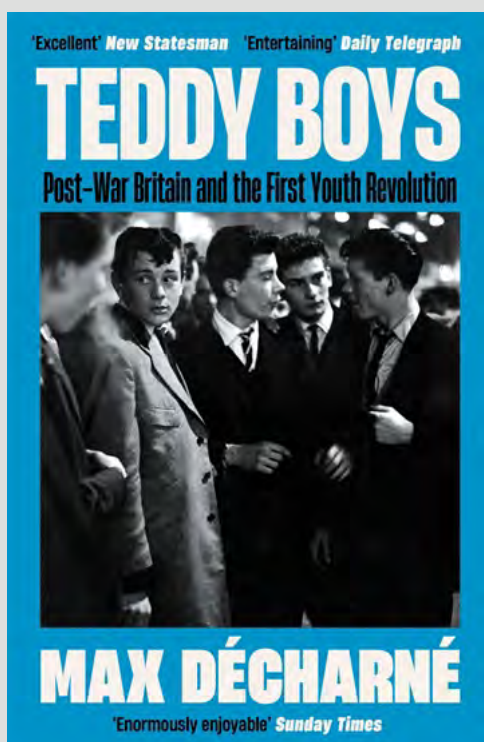
Jay has the gift for forging a voice and moving narrative from an impressive array of sources - *JEWISH CHRONICLE*

Ninette Dreyfus was a cosseted scion of one of France's most prominent Jewish families - a cousin to Albert Einstein and family friend to Colette. But when the Second World War broke out and the Germans occupied Paris, the fall from grace was dramatic. Realising that her fate would be transformed, the teenager soon found herself fleeing the capital for the South, only to fall prey to the Vichy regime. In fear of her life at the hands of the Nazis and their French collaborators, she became somebody else.

Woven together from Ninette's own diaries and interviews with author John Jay before she died, *Ninette's War* traces the frailty of national and personal unity through the eyes of a young woman, in compelling and unforgettable detail.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

John Jay is a former managing editor at *The Sunday Times* and the author of *Facing Fearful Odds: My Father's Story of Captivity, Escape and Resistance 1940-1945*. *Ninette's War* is his second book. He lives in London with his family.



REVIEWS

‘In his genial and entertaining *Teddy Boys*, rock journalist Max Décharné takes a calm look at the phenomenon and strips away the myths that coloured it’ - *Daily Telegraph*

‘Max Décharné's book delves into the vanished world of the 1950s Ted just before it slips from living memory, presenting contemporaneous reports and eyewitness accounts with empathy and enthusiasm’ - *Financial Times*

‘A persuasively detailed chronicle of an entire country ... an engrossing read, meticulously researched’ - *Record Collector*

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Teddy Boys

Post-War Britain and the First Youth Revolution: A Sunday Times Book of the Week

MAX DÉCHARNÉ

KEYNOTE

The rich, irreverent story of Britain's first youth counterculture

SALES POINTS

- *Teddy Boys* received widespread acclaim in national and music media, praised for its characterful irreverence and depth of research
- An accessible and vibrant look at a period of modern history that shares the appeal of books by David Kynaston and David Hepworth
- Max Décharné is a prolific author and cult musician, with connections across the media and in the music industry

DESCRIPTION

'Enormously enjoyable' Dominic Sandbrook, *Sunday Times*

Excellent ... illuminates a fascinating and still under-explored period in British youth culture and social history' Jon Savage, *New Statesman*

With their draped suits, suede creepers and immaculately greased hair, the Teddy Boys defined a new era for a generation of teenagers raised on a diet of drab clothes, Blitz playgrounds and tinned dinners.

From the Edwardian origins of their fashion to the tabloid fears of delinquency, drunkenness and disorder, the story of the Teds throws a fascinating light on a British society that was still reeling from the Second World War. In the 1950s, working-class teenagers found a way of asserting themselves in how they dressed, spoke and socialised on the street. When people saw Teds, they stepped aside.

Musician and author Max Décharné traces the rise of the Teds and the shockwave they sent through post-war Britain, from the rise of rock 'n' roll to the Notting Hill race riots. Full of fascinating insight, deftly sketching the milieu of Elvis Presley and Derek Bentley, Billy Fury and Oswald Mosley, *Teddy Boys* is the story of Britain's first youth counterculture.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Max Décharné was a member of the band Gallon Drunk, and has been with The Flaming Stars since 1994. An authority on the 1950s and 1960s counterculture, he is the author of *Vulgar Tongues: An Alternative History of British Slang*, as well as *A Rocket in My Pocket* and *Hardboiled Hollywood*. He lives in London.

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The Gorgeous Inertia of the Earth Adrian Duncan

'Duncan brings a
new way of seeing'
Irish Times



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The Gorgeous Inertia of the Earth

ADRIAN DUNCAN

KEYNOTE

In this moving new novel, award-winning Irish writer Adrian Duncan explores love and grief while finding their resonance in works of art

SALES POINTS

- A fascinating author who was a structural engineer himself before he became a visual artist and fiction writer
- Adrian Duncan was shortlisted for the Walter Scott Prize in 2023, the Kerry Group Irish Novel of the Year Award in 2023 and 2021, longlisted for the Edge Hill Prize in 2021 and won the John McGahern Book Prize in 2020.

DESCRIPTION

During winter season in a secluded Alpine city, John Molloy, an Irish restorative sculptor, meets Bernadette, an enigmatic Italian sociologist. As John falls in love, a distressing moment from his youth rises into view, the disastrous fallout of which has reverberated unchecked through his life.

Years later, a letter from home arrives, asking him to pray for the speedy death of an ailing friend. Over a day-long odyssey through the ancient streets and churches of Bologna, John is forced to confront his present, his past and the bedrock of his psyche. A delicately crafted novel of two halves, a decade apart, *The Gorgeous Inertia of the Earth* is a masterful excavation of human desires, inhibitions, and the patterns of habit to which we unwittingly fall prey.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Adrian Duncan is an Irish artist and writer who originally trained as a structural engineer. Duncan was shortlisted for the Walter Scott Prize in 2023, the Kerry Group Irish Novel of the Year Award in 2023 and 2021, longlisted for the Edge Hill Prize in 2021 and won the John McGahern Book Prize in 2020.

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The Gambling Animal

Humanity's
Evolutionary
Winning
Streak - and
How We
Risk It All



Glenn Harrison

Don Ross

REVIEWS

‘This is a **masterful integration of scientific insights on the human path to ecological domination** [and] many-faceted scholarly work made accessible to the intelligent non-specialist ... it is **behavioral economics at its best**’ - George Ainslie, psychologist and author of *Breakdown of Will*

‘**Praise for *Every Thing Must Go: Metaphysics Naturalised* (with James Ladyman)**’ - :

‘A book can be important, although its main claims seem to the reader to be as controversial at the end of the book as they were at the beginning ... So it is with *Every Thing Must Go* ... An enticing work’ - Jeremy Butterfield, *TLS*

‘Ross's broadside against traditional analytic metaphysics embodies the most admirable characteristics of a good slap across the face: it is forceful, frank, and delivered in response to sufficient provocation’ - P. Kyle Stanford, author of *Exceeding Our Grasp*

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The Gambling Animal

Humanity's Evolutionary Winning Streak - and How We Risk It All

GLENN HARRISON AND DON ROSS

KEYNOTE

Humanity's unique relationship with risk has driven us to defy the evolutionary odds - but as the stakes keep mounting, how long before our luck runs out?

SALES POINTS

- A deep and surprising new theory about human nature rewrites the familiar *Sapiens* story and delivers an urgent warning
- Will appeal to readers of Daniel Dennett, Joseph Henrich and James C. Scott
- The authors are teaching elephants to gamble. In fact that is what they have spent their advance on. It sounds like the elephants are getting good

DESCRIPTION

Evolution is a series of bets, and no animal gambles the way humans do. This has led us to unprecedented ecological dominance, via the steepest odds and unlikeliest of outcomes, but our winning streak cuts both ways: the secret to our success may yet be our downfall.

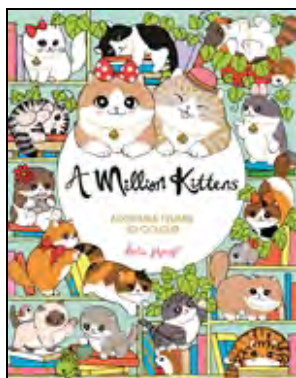
The Gambling Animal offers a revelatory retelling of the human story. Drawing on their unique research into the risk psychology of humans and other animals - including our most impressive rivals, elephants - Don Ross and Glenn Harrison reveal the hidden logic of our rise.

Even before the dawn of civilisation, we bet the Earth on our ability to keep doubling down. But with an ecological crisis on the horizon, how long will our winning streak continue?

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Don Ross is professor and head of the School of Society, Politics and Ethics at University College Cork, Ireland; professor at the School of Economics at the University of Cape Town; and program director for Methodology at the Center for Economic Analysis of Risk, J. Mack Robinson College of Business at Georgia State University. He studies the design and interpretation of risky choice experiments with people and other animals.

Glenn Harrison is a distinguished university professor; the C. V. Starr Chair of Risk Management & Insurance; and director of the Center for the Economic Analysis of Risk, Maurice R. Greenberg School of Risk Science, J. Mack Robinson College of Business at Georgia State University. He is also an adjunct professor at the School of Economics, University of Cape Town. He researches the economics of risk.



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A Million Kittens Adorable Felines to Colour

Lulu Mayo

Keynote

An adorable new colouring book full of the cutest kittens around, from bestselling illustrator Lulu Mayo.

Description

A Million Kittens is a super-cute colouring book designed for cat lovers of all ages.

Inside, there are over 30 spreads filled with all kinds of kittens, from gorgeous Ragdolls and Siamese to cute Tabby cats and Scottish Folds. Each illustration shows different kittens' adventures, which are all decorated with beautiful patterns and motifs. Lulu's instantly recognizable style brings gentle fun and humour to each scene, which kids and adults alike will love bringing to life with colour.

A new title in Lulu Mayo's bestselling *A Million* series.

Also available in the series:

9781789296082 A Million Puppies

9781789295245 A Million Baby Animals

9781789291063 A Million Sloths

Sales Points

- A super-cute colouring book for fans of kawaii-style colouring
- A new title in the bestselling *A Million* series, which has 15 titles in the series including *A Million Cats*, *A Million Dogs* and *A Million Unicorns*
- The series has been translated in over 15 languages and global sales figures now stand at a phenomenal 870,000
- There are over 30 spreads of adorable artwork to colour
- The perfect book for animal lovers everywhere featuring all kinds of cute cat-breeds, from Ragdolls and Siamese to Tabby cats and Scottish Folds

Author Biography

Lulu Mayo is an award-winning illustrator with an eye for the quirky and idiosyncratic. Her work is energetic and often contains humorous and fantastical elements.

She studied for a Master's degree in illustration at the University of the Arts London and has designed greeting cards, posters, editorials, window displays and much more. Lulu is the illustrator behind the best-selling *A Million* colouring book series, featuring *A Million Cats*, *A Million Dogs*, *A Million Owls*, *A Million Bears*, *A Million Sloths*, *A Million Unicorns* and *A Million Mermaids*. She is also the creator of *Cattitude: Drawing Cats for Creative People*, *How to Draw a Unicorn and Other Cute Creatures*, *How to Draw a Mermaid and Other Cute Creatures* and *How to Draw a Reindeer and Other Christmas Creatures*.

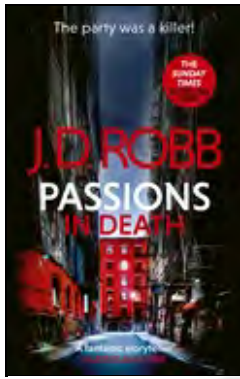
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Passions in Death: An Eve Dallas thriller (In Death 59)

J. D. Robb

Keynote

The brand-new crime thriller from Sunday Times bestselling author, J, D. Robb.

Description

The brand-new crime thriller from Sunday Times bestselling author, J, D. Robb.

Keep your friends close and your enemies closer

On a hot August night, Lt. Eve Dallas is called to a downtown club, where a joint bachelorette party full of love, friendship and laughter has taken a darker turn and ended in a crime scene. One of the brides has been garroted in a private room and lies dead in a pool of blood.

The brutal murder scene was just seconds from the packed dance floor but despite the dozens of people present, useful witnesses prove hard to come by. Someone must know something but no one is talking.

On the surface the two brides had a supportive, tightknit group of friends but when Eve starts to dig below the surface she discovers that everything may not be quite as it seems....

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
- The In Death series is a global bestseller, appearing in the bestseller charts in the US, UK, Australia and New Zealand.
- Piatkus has sold over 4 million copies of the In Death series
- 2025 will see the publication of the 60th book in the In Death series - a year-round marketing/pr campaign will raise awareness and drive sales of this bestselling series

Author Biography

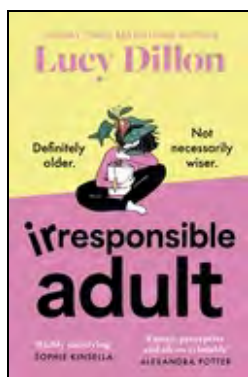
Nora Roberts published her first novel using the pseudonym J.D. Robb in 1995, introducing Eve Dallas, a New York City police lieutenant with a dark past, and billionaire Irish rogue, Roarke. Since then, the In Death series has sold over sixty-six million copies, with each new novel reaching number one on bestseller charts the world over.

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Irresponsible Adult

warm and witty, this is the perfect novel for anyone who is growing up disgracefully!

Lucy Dillon

Keynote

FINDING IT HARD TO BE A GROWN UP? ESCAPE IT ALL WITH LUCY DILLON'S WARM AND WITTY NEW NOVEL.

Description

'So good! Warm and funny, and I was rooting for Robyn from the very first page' **MILLY JOHNSON**

'Funny, perceptive and oh-so-relatable, Robyn's reluctant mission to clean up her world is full of laughs and also some heart-twisting surprises' **ALEXANDRA POTTER**

'A funny, relatable read with some surprise twists' **STYLIST**

Sisters Cleo and Robyn may be close in age but their attitudes to life could not be further apart. While Cleo's a fully-fledged adult with a family, a business and a signature scent, Robyn is still waiting for the instruction manual to Adult Life and success is keeping her houseplant alive. But then Robyn's fired from her job as an estate agent in the most publicly humiliating way imaginable - and her chaos catches up with her.

Although Cleo steps in to give Robyn a temporary job in her cleaning firm, it comes with very firm instructions: Robyn must BEHAVE RESPONSIBLY. And that includes meeting the high standards of Jim, her enigmatic supervisor. But when Robyn learns to navigate the catastrophic kitchens and judgemental dogs of total strangers she learns some unexpected truths about her own messy world. No one's life is spotless...

Readers are loving IRRESPONSIBLE ADULT too:

'Absolutely fabulous! Devoured this in one day!'

'I love a good sister novel and this one hit all the right boxes'

'Warm, genuinely laugh out loud funny, surprisingly emotional, and populated by wonderful, likeable characters'

'Oh my goodness, I loved this book and ended up reading into the night to finish it'

Sales Points

- **POPULAR BRAND:** A major new re-launch for a much-loved commercial women's fiction author. Lucy Dillon returns to Hodder after an exciting acquisition, taking over from Transworld in 2024. Previous books have been *Sunday Times* bestsellers and have sold half a million copies via TCM.
- **INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER:** This novel is already a top ten bestseller in Sweden and rights have been sold across Europe
- **STRATEGIC USE OF BACKLIST:** we have been using Lucy's backlist titles to drive awareness and pre-orders of this new book in a year-long campaign.
- **AUDIENCE:** Extensive audience research and focus on early reader reviews to build on Lucy Dillon's loyal audience of existing readers.
- **BOLD NEW PACKAGE:** An elegant and eye-catching new look for Lucy Dillon in hardback, re-positioning her in the market to reach new readers.

Reviews

- 'Praise for Lucy Dillon' - ----
- "I absolutely adored this wonderful warm truthful book" - *Jenny Colgan*
- "Simply wonderful. . . . a real "just one more chapter before bed" novel" - *Milly Johnson*
- "A totally feelgood novel about the importance of living life to the full" - *Sun*

Author Biography

Lucy Dillon grew up by the seaside in Cumbria, and read English at Cambridge University, before working as a fiction editor. She is the best-selling author of eleven novels set in the market town of Longhampton, including *Romantic Novelists Association Novels of the Year* *Lost Dogs and Lonely Hearts* and *A Hundred Pieces of Me*. An enthusiastic collector of dog-related junk, Lucy lives in Herefordshire with an English Otterhound, a Welsh Pembroke Corgi and a Scottish Husband.

Market

For fans of Sophie Kinsella, Alexandra Potter and Milly Johnson.



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A Good Place to Hide a Body Bad Sisters meets The Good Life in this fresh and funny thriller

Laura Marshall

Keynote

A smart, fresh thriller from #1 bestseller Laura Marshall about a woman who is forced to help her parents when they kill their nightmare tenant - Bad Sisters meets The Good Life.

Description

'Can you come round?' Dad says tremulously.

'Of course. Are you OK? Is it Mum?'

'No!' He almost shouts it. 'Just come quickly. The garden...the...body... we need you, Penny.'

For women of Penny's generation, being on hand for elderly parents is just part of life. But for Penny, things have become a little more serious...

When she receives a frantic phone call from her parents one night, with express instructions NOT to call the police, Penny rushes over at once. But they haven't had a fall. They haven't forgotten their computer passwords. They've killed someone. And his body is lying in the garden, right next to the rose bushes.

Everyone is capable of murder. They just need to meet the right person.

Sales Points

- **#1 ebook and Sunday Times bestseller:** Laura Marshall was previously published by Little, Brown where her debut, *Friend Request*, sold over half a million copies. She has a strong fanbase that we will want to tap into with this new book.
- Immediate and memorable **one line pitch** to lead across our campaign - from marketing to retailers: Parents can be a nightmare. For Penny, they're murder.
- **Film & TV already under offer from a major studio**, with the intention to make this a returning series.
- Protagonist (Penny) is a middle-aged single woman whose husband has left her for a woman half her age - it's funny, relatable, speaking to an area of the market which we know are huge readers. For **PR** talking points, it raises questions of caring for elderly parents while looking after teenagers at the same time, feeling invisible as a middle-aged woman, the menopause - all topics that resonate widely.
- A **well-connected author** - Laura is a staple of the crime and thriller festivals and has fantastic quotes from almost every big contemporary thriller name out there. She is popular and well-respected within the community, and her more recent fans include **Holly Willoughby**. Laura was originally shortlisted for the Lucy Cavendish Prize.

Author Biography

Laura Marshall is the *Sunday Times* top ten and Kindle No. 1 bestselling author of four psychological thrillers. Her books *Friend Request*, *Three Little Lies*, *The Anniversary* and *My Husband's Killer* have sold over half a million copies in the UK and been translated into twenty-five languages. She grew up in Wiltshire, studied English at the University of Sussex and currently lives in Kent with her family. *A Good Place To Hide A Body* is her first book with Hodder and Stoughton. You can find her online at www.lauramarshall.co.uk.

Market

Comparison authors: Liane Moriarty, Jane Fallon, Adele Parks.



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Mindful Healing 5 Simple Steps to Transform Your Life

Dr Afrosa Ahmed

Keynote

A definitive guide to mindfulness, written by a medical doctor and mindfulness practitioner. This is a bespoke wellbeing programme to make lasting change to your outlook.

Description

Are you feeling burnt out and lacking motivation? Are you overthinking and overanalyzing? Do you feel you're stuck in a rut and not reaching your full potential? The doctor will see you now ...

Too often, people focus on changing the action first, assuming that this will change their thoughts. But in this revolutionary book, **medical doctor, mindfulness practitioner and founder** of the life-coaching programme MindfulDoc, Dr Ahmed shows that simply by focusing on the mind, the rest will follow.

Featuring 5 simple steps, *Mindful Healing* is a bespoke wellbeing programme that fits in naturally with your life, embedding the theory of mindfulness with informal meditations to charge your self-development and enforce lifelong habits. Dr Ahmed uses her **knowledge of the human body** alongside the **ancient practice of mindfulness** to combine modern and traditional approaches to holistic healing at the same time. This book not only **reveals the science behind mindfulness**, but provides a toolkit for life that can be applied to any change you want to make in your health and wellbeing.

From boosting confidence to building resilience, as well as creating better clarity and focus, reducing stress, and improving sleep, these are medically based meditations, to **transform your life** inside and out in just 5 weeks.

Sales Points

- This is medical- and mindfulness-based life-coaching, from an expert in the field, seamlessly blending her 15 years' experience as a doctor with mindfulness
- Mindfulness is now recommended by the government body the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) and the NHS. Post-Covid it is thought that one in three people are suffering from some form of mental condition, such as anxiety or depression, and many are turning to meditation to alleviate symptoms
- This is a definitive and authoritative training programme for anyone wanting to try meditation. Written in an accessible tone, and filled with scientific explanations, this is everything you need to know to start mindfulness
- Five steps, five weeks, five chapters: 1) Understanding yourself and what you want to change. 2) Bringing self-awareness and acceptance. 3) Mastering the mind with mindfulness. 4) Finding your pathway to healing. 5) Self-care strategies to sustain your wellbeing.
- Dr Ahmed is available for PR

Author Biography

Dr Afrosa Ahmed MBBS, MRCP, DCH is a medical doctor and mindfulness coach. She has been a practising GP within the NHS and private practice for over twenty years, since graduating as a doctor from King's College London. She also sees patients in the prestigious Harley Street area in London. In addition, she specialises in mindfulness and has taught Mindfulness and Health at The Tavistock and Portman NHS Foundation Trust. She obtained her mindfulness qualifications from the UK College of Mindfulness Meditation and has knowledge in both Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction (MBSR) and Mindfulness-Based Cognitive Therapy (MBCT), which is approved by the British Psychological Society. She is also an accredited teacher on the Mindfulness Teachers Register.

She launched MindfulDoc in 2020, a life-coaching programme which works alongside medical and healthcare colleagues to incorporate medical history into a bespoke wellbeing programme. She also teaches mindfulness to medical students across the country. She has taught at universities including UCL and King's College London. As one of the few specialists in this area, she is often approached to provide insight into medicine and mindfulness, delivering lectures to Medical Consultants, junior doctors, and nurses. She has written several articles in the UK and the USA.



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So Thrilled For You the conversation-starting new novel from the bestselling author of How Do You Like Me Now?

Holly Bourne

Keynote

Four friends. The mother of all decisions. The new dark, smart, book club novel from the bestselling sensation Holly Bourne.

Description

A terrible heatwave. A very tense baby shower. It will all end in tears...

Nicki, Lauren, Charlotte and Steffi have been friends since university. Now in their thirties, life is pulling them in different directions - but when Charlotte organises the baby shower of hell for pregnant Nicki, the girls are reunited.

Under a sweltering hot summer day, tensions rise - and by the end of the evening, nothing will ever be the same. Someone started a fire at the house - and everyone's a suspect... Is it Steffi, happily child-free but feeling judged by her friends? Is it Charlotte, desperate to conceive and jealous of those who have? Is it Lauren, who is finding motherhood far, far worse than she imagined? Or is it Nicki herself, who never wanted a baby shower anyway?

In the aftermath, the police put together the facts - but the truth will shock everyone. Even you.

BIG LITTLE LIES meets REALLY GOOD, ACTUALLY in the incredible new novel from Holly Bourne - it's the book you'll want to read three times, then give to every woman in your life.

Sales Points

- **INCREDIBLY TOPICAL:** This is without doubt Holly's best book yet. Featuring themes of motherhood, infertility, social media pressure and more, this is set around a baby shower/gender reveal party that goes horribly wrong. It touches on issues of class, wealth, post-natal depression and our lack of care for the wider world around us, and it's the PERFECT book to pass to every single woman in your life.
- **WELL-CONNECTED AUTHOR:** Holly herself is a huge asset - with a large and engaged social media following and contacts across the publishing and journalism industries, she is available for any and all events and discussions and is adept at talking about the issues that really matter. She recently spoke on BBC Woman's Hour about female friendship and is a complete professional on a number of issues relating to women.
- **STRONG SALES:** Holly has sold over 300,000 copies of her books through the UK TCM and we have plans for a significant marketing and publicity campaign to back SO THRILLED FOR YOU.

Author Biography

Holly started her writing career as a journalist, then spent six years working as an editor, a relationship advisor, and 'agony aunt' for a youth charity. Inspired by what she saw, she started writing teen fiction, including the best-selling, award-winning 'Spinster Club' series which helps educate teenagers about feminism. At thirty, Holly wrote her first adult novel, examining the pressures on women. Holly has a keen interest in women's rights and is an advocate for reducing the stigma of mental health problems. She's helped create online apps that teach young people about sexual consent and is an ambassador for Women's Aid.

Market

For fans of Dolly Alderton, Monica Heisey, Clare Powell, and Liane Moriarty.

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BIC 2.1	Modern & contemporary fiction (post c 1945) (FA) Of specific Gay & Lesbian interest (5S) Chinese (2GDC) Romance (FR) Adult & contemporary romance (FRD)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	304 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Book locale	Chinatown, New York, China
Author living in	Brooklyn, New York
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	Abner Stein
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
US	Refer to Publisher

Cinema Love

'Not just an extraordinary debut but a future classic'

Jessamine Chan

Jiaming Tang

Keynote

Cinema Love is a sweeping debut novel about gay men in rural China, the women who marry them, and the secret theatres where their husbands cruised for love.

Description

Shortlisted for the Andrew Carnegie Medal of Excellence in Fiction and Nonfiction

A stunning and compelling novel for fans of PACHINKO, BROKEBACK MOUNTAIN, and SHUGGIE BAIN

'The pages crackle with the tension of a Hollywood thriller . . . an enticing, engaging read' *The Times*

'*Cinema Love* is not just an extraordinary debut but a future classic' Jessamine Chan, author of *The School for Good Mothers*

For over thirty years, Old Second and Bao Mei have cobbled together a meagre existence in New York City's Chinatown. But unlike other couples, these two share an unusual past. In rural Fuzhou, before they emigrated, they frequented the Workers' Cinema, where gay men cruised for love.

While classic war films played, Old Second and his fellow countrymen found intimacy in the privacy of the Workers' Cinema's screening rooms. Elsewhere, in the box office, Bao Mei sold tickets to closeted men - guarding their privacy and finding her own happiness with the projectionist. But when their secrets are unveiled, they set in motion a series of haunting events that propel Old Second and Bao Mei towards an uncertain future in America.

Spanning three timelines - post-socialist China, 1980s Chinatown, and contemporary New York - *Cinema Love* is a tender epic about men and women who find themselves in forbidden and frustrated relationships as they grapple with the past and their unspoken desires.

'An ambitious and promising debut' *Irish Times*

'I loved it. *Cinema Love* fizzles with energy. The characters are rich and warm and the prose is perfect. Jiaming Tang is a remarkable new voice' Fiona Mozley, author of Booker-shortlisted *Elmet*

'A tender and enrapturing feat of storytelling' Vanessa Chan, author of *The Storm We Made*

Sales Points

- **A BRILLIANT LITERARY DEBUT:** This is a stunning debut novel that will appeal to fans of *Pachinko* by Min Jin Lee, *Shuggie Bain* by Douglas Stuart, *On Earth We Are Briefly Gorgeous* by Ocean Vuong, and *Brokeback Mountain* by Annie Proulx.
- **BOUGHT IN A WHIRLWIND PRE-EMPT:** This was bought by John Murray in a 24 hour pre-empt during Frankfurt Book Fair, and bought in the US by PRH at auction for a big six-figure sum.
- **INSPIRED BY A REAL LIFE EVENT:** At a bus stop in rural China, the author saw a family friend - who was married to a woman - secretly touch the arm of another man who he was in a relationship with. This moment made the author want to write about forbidden desire between men in China but also about the lives of the women who were married to them.
- **INTERNATIONAL RIGHTS DEALS:** Rights have been pre-empted in Germany, Italy, and Poland.
- **AN ESSENTIAL LGBTQ STORY:** This novel shines a light on the Chinese queer community in a way that not many novels have done. So, this feels like an important addition to queer literary fiction.

Reviews

- 'The pages crackle with the tension of a Hollywood thriller. There are elements here of Ian McEwan's *Atonement* and Tom Crewe's *The New Life* . . . an enticing, engaging read' - John Self, *The Times*
- 'An ambitious and promising debut' - *Irish Times*
- 'Exceptional, moving, and not to be missed' - Alice Hoffman, New York Times bestselling author of *THE INVISIBLE HOUR*
- 'I loved it. *Cinema Love* fizzles with energy. The characters are rich and

warm and the prose is perfect. Jiaming Tang is a remarkable new voice' -
Fiona Mozley, author of ELMET



Author Biography

Jiaming Tang is a queer immigrant writer based in Brooklyn, NY. He holds an MFA from the University of Alabama, and he was a 2022-3 Center for Fiction Emerging Writer Fellow. *Cinema Love* is his first novel.

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BIC 2.1	Thriller / suspense (FH) Organized crime (JKVM) Crime & mystery (FF) Political / legal thriller (FHP)

Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	304 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; EU; Ire
Not for Sale	Can; UK; UK (ex Airports); USA

Author living in	London, SE5
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Notes on a Drowning

Anna Sharpe

Keynote

The razor-sharp debut legal thriller from criminal justice solicitor, Anna Sharpe. When a girl is found drowned in the Thames, Alexandra and Kat must overcome their complicated past to save a network of vulnerable young women from being next to die.

Description

Alex knows she risks getting fired from her law firm if she takes on another unpaid case, but when she hears Rosa's desperate voice at the other end of the phone, she knows she has to help: the body of Rosa's shy teenage sister, **Natalia**, has been dragged, lifeless, from the Thames. **Alex can't help but think of her own missing little sister. She knows how a lack of answers can eat you alive.**

Kat has worked hard to become Special Adviser to the Home Secretary, and is eager to finally put the dark and tragic part of her past behind her. But when she discovers a series of cover-ups, she begins to wonder whether her seemingly perfect new boss could be involved. **Then she she's shocked to discover a letter that raises worrying questions about a girl found drowned in London... Natalia.**

There are complex and painful reasons for Alex and Kat not to work together, but when it becomes clear that there are powerful people involved in Natalia's death, and that other girls are at risk, **Alex and Kat must overcome their differences to find answers. Will they save the girls and discover the truth? Or will the high-powered players in this game stop Alex and Kat for good?**

<h2>What readers are saying about *Notes on a Drowning*:</h2>

'**Fast-paced, topical, sharp and with a heart**, I could see *Notes on a Drowning* played out on screen. Hope Anna Sharpe's cracking out the next one.' Sarah Vaughan

'**A belter of a book**. Shrewd, **powerful**, and constructed of smoke and mirrors, it's contemporary thriller writing at its **breathless** best. Anna Sharpe knows how to weave a tale.' Helen Fields

'**A timely and hugely entertaining** political thriller written with humour and sensitivity, and **an important story** at its heart. Anna Sharpe has created something **fresh and new**, and I can't wait for the next one.' Charlotte Philby

'**A compelling, emotional and unputdownable** thriller' Nadine Matheson

'Anna Sharpe is a masterful storyteller.' Kia Abdullah

'Breakneck plot skillfully delivered with writing to die for.' Imran Mahmood

'My kind of thriller: **pacy, absorbing and smart**, with great characters and brilliant dialogue on every page. I loved it!' TM Logan

'A whip-smart, taut thriller...**It zips along like a high-end Netflix drama you can't help but binge.**' Jane Casey

'Two women united by a painful secret take on the establishment in this tense, big-hearted, super-smart legal thriller. **Anna Sharpe is one to watch.**' Tammy Cohen

'*Notes on a Drowning* is a whip smart thriller, and I adored Alex, a clever, funny lawyer who is trying to hold together her career and failing marriage while trying to find out what really happened to her sister. Both gripping and compassionate, **I really hope this is a series, and it would be perfect for TV.**' Jo Callaghan

'A gripping political thriller from an exciting new voice. **I can't wait to read what Anna Sharpe writes next.**' Cass Green

'This Anna Sharpe is a bit good. **Compelling characters, glamorous locations with a deep dive into a dark and murky world.** Loved it!' Rachel Wolf

'Fast action and packed with tension. Full of twists. **This is a one-sitting read.**' Quentin Bates

Sales Points

- THE BOOK YOUR FAVOURITE CRIME WRITER WANTS TO READ - This book received a rush of proof requests from Liz Nugent, TM Logan, Kia Abdullah, Claire Douglas, Adele Parks, CL Taylor, Mick Herron, Imran Mahmood, Elly Griffiths, Tony Kent, Sarah Vaughan, Ruth Ware, Lucy Foley, Will Dean, and more!
- EXCITING NEW DIRECTION: This is a fresh new direction for award-winning and

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bestselling author, Anna Mazzola.

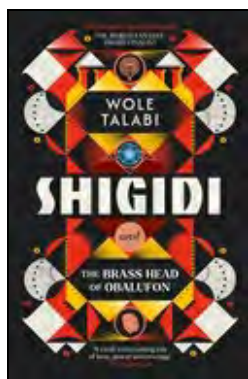
- **AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR:** Anna's debut novel, *The Unseeing*, won an Edgar Allan Poe Award in the US and was nominated for the Historical Writers' Association's Debut Crown in the UK. Her second novel, *The Story Keeper*, was nominated for the Highland Book Prize. *The House of Whispers* was also nominated for a Crime Writers Association Dagger Award.
- **COMPELLING AND TIMELY:** Anna draws inspiration both from her experience as a criminal justice solicitor and stories of government corruption to create a thoroughly compelling and emotionally resonant legal thriller. In the story, we are confronted with the notion of justice as a scarce commodity for society's most vulnerable, and we examine how people in power might exploit this.

Author Biography

Anna Sharpe is the pseudonym of Anna Mazzola. She's the award-winning author of three historical thrillers plus one ghost novel. Her debut novel, *The Unseeing*, won an Edgar Allan Poe award in the US. Her third novel, *The Clockwork Girl*, set in 18th century Paris, reached number 11 in the Sunday Times Chart

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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	320 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; EU; Ire; SA; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA; W Africa

Author living in	Perth, Australia
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Debut fantasy novel

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Shigidi and the Brass Head of Obalufon The Nebula Award finalist and gripping magical heist novel

Wole Talabi

Keynote

A bold new contemporary fantasy from an awards-winning author, reminiscent of Master of Djinn and The City We Became.

Description

**<h3>The Nommo Award Winner.
The Nebula Award Finalist.
The World Fantasy Award Finalist.
The British Science Fiction Award Nominee.</h3>**

A contemporary fantasy filled with the mythos of Nigeria.

Shigidi is the god of nightmares.

Once a feared and powerful member of the Yoruba spirit world, these days he haunts people for scraps of power, which he must give up to the executives of the Orisha Spirit Company.

Nneoma is a deadly succubus.

Fierce, independent and unpredictable, she's not afraid to take dangerous risks to free herself from the mistakes of her past.

Two soulmates. One bid for freedom.

To gain the independence they both desire, the two of them are about to embark on a heist that spans both the real world and the spiritual world. But they'll find far more than they bargained for in the depths of the British Museum . . .

A supernatural adventure novel rich in Nigerian mythology, and an eviscerating examination of cultural theft in the real world. This is perfect for fans of P. Djeli Clark, Nnedi Okorafor and Ben Aaronovitch.

Sales Points

- **Globetrotting Fantasy Heist:** Set between London, Lagos and Singapore, Shigidi has the pace and intrigue of Master of Djinn as well as the commentary on modern-day life as seen in N.K. Jemisin's The City We Became
- **Awards-Winning Nigerian Author:** Wole's short fiction has already won the Caine Prize and the Nommo Award, plus been nominated for the Nebula and Locus Awards
- **Deconstruction of Cultural Appropriation:** Set in a recognisable modern-day world, this has the conversation-starting plot-hook of a heist to liberate a Nigerian artefact from the British Museum
- **Prizes:** Shigidi is a Nebula Award finalist; Locus Award finalist; BSFA finalist; and was on the Wilbur Smith Award longlist

Reviews

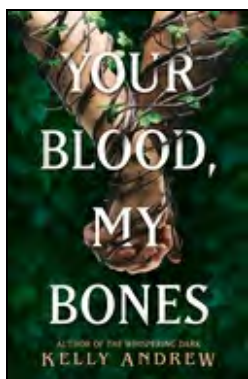
- 'A high stakes supernatural heist' - *P. Djeli Clark*
- 'Complex, entertaining, and absolutely *fun*' - *Genevieve Cogman*
- 'A high octane thriller that is simply unputdownable' - *T.L. Huchu*
- 'A defiantly ambitious work' - *The Washington Post*
- 'A heist caper with sex, violence, and superpowers popping off every technicolor page' - *Publishers Weekly (Starred Review)*
- 'A vivid, entertaining tale of love, power and revenge' - *The Guardian*
- 'Pure post-colonial magic and huge, heisty fun' - *The Daily Mail*

Author Biography

WOLE TALABI is an engineer, writer, and editor from Nigeria, whose stories have appeared in *Asimov's*, *F&SF*, *Lightspeed* and several other places. He has been a finalist for multiple awards, including the Nebula Award, the Jim Baen Memorial Award and the Locus Award, and he has won the prestigious Caine Prize as well as the Nommo Award. His work has been translated into Spanish, Norwegian, Chinese, Italian, Bengali, and French. In his spare time he likes scuba diving, elegant equations, and oddly shaped things. He currently lives and works in Australia.

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Fantasy romance (FMR)

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 Format **B Format**
 Extent **400 pages**
 Word Count
 Exclusively for Sale **Cw; Ire; UK**
 Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Author living in **New England, USA**

Publishing History

The Whispering Dark

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Your Blood, My Bones

A twisted, slow burn rivals-to-lovers romance from the author of THE WHISPERING DARK

Kelly Andrew

Keynote

A seductively twisted romance about loyalty, fate, the lengths we go to hide the darkest parts of ourselves . . . and the people who love those parts most of all.

Description

Wyatt Westlock has one plan for the farmhouse she's just inherited -- to burn it to the ground. But during her final walkthrough of her childhood home, she makes a shocking discovery in the basement -- Peter, the boy she once considered her best friend, strung up in chains and left for dead.

Unbeknownst to Wyatt, Peter has suffered hundreds of ritualistic deaths on her family's property. Semi-immortal, Peter never remains dead for long, but he can't really live, either. Not while he's bound to the farm, locked in a cycle of grisly deaths and painful rebirths. There's only one way for him to break free. He needs to end the Westlock line.

He needs to kill Wyatt.

With Wyatt's parents gone, the spells protecting the property have begun to unravel, and dark, ancient forces gather in the nearby forest. The only way for Wyatt to repair the wards is to work with Peter -- the one person who knows how to harness her volatile magic. But how can she trust a boy who's sworn an oath to destroy her? When the past turns up to haunt them in the most unexpected way, they are forced to rely on one another to survive, or else tear each other apart.

Sales Points

- Hugely romantic, steamy, slowburn rivals to lovers romance
- Author has 26k followers on twitter including bestselling author Jay Kristoff and many more
- #TheWhisperingDark has over 900k views on TikTok

Reviews

- "A complex web of chilling secrets and haunting tension that lingers well after you've closed its pages" - *Aiden Thomas, NEW YORK TIMES bestselling author of CEMETERY BOYS on The Whispering Dark*
- 'A haunting, dreamlike tale of sacrifice, love, and obsession' - *Cassandra Clare, #1 NEW YORK TIMES bestselling author of THE LAST HOURS on The Whispering Dark*
- 'Kelly Andrew's prose is aching and lyrical, the mark of a master in the making. This is a story I won't soon forget' - *Hafsah Faizal, NEW YORK TIMES bestselling author of WE HUNT THE FLAME on The Whispering Dark*

Author Biography

Kelly Andrew lost her hearing when she was four years old. She's been telling stories ever since. She now lives outside Boston with her husband and daughter. She has a Masters in English and Creative Writing and is already well-plugged into the publishing community with more than 18k followers on Twitter, where you can find her @KayAyDrew.

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Anytime an enemies-to-lovers BookTok hit

Sarah Sprinz

Translated by Rachel Ward

Keynote

The final instalment from the Dunbridge Academy series, a TikTok sensation that's perfect for fans of Ana Huang, Jenny Han and Holly Bourne.

Description

'Sarah Sprinz creates a world that I enjoyed getting lost in. If Dunbridge Academy is taking applications, let me know!' ANNA TODD

One single night turns Olive Henderson's whole life upside down.

After a devastating fire at Dunbridge Academy, severe injuries force her to retake a year on her own, without her best friends, who are about to embark on their A levels. And that's without the added frustration of new student Colin Fantino. Determined to hate everything at Dunbridge, the young New Yorker would rather be anywhere else than in this Scottish exile.

But then Olive starts to look underneath the surface, and with every crack in Colin's tough shell she feels more and more attracted to him. Until she discovers the true reason for his sudden departure from New York . . .

Discover the new, heart-pounding romance series that's perfect for anyone who loves Hannah Grace, Elsie Silver and LJ Shen.

'I am absolutely obsessed with this book!' 5* reader review

'I laughed and I cried' 5* reader review

'Incredible, I couldn't put it down' 5* reader review

Sales Points

- First love meets dark academia in this first book in an enchanting New Adult series set in an ancient boarding school in Edinburgh.
- Fantastic author platform with 30k Instagram and 23k TikTok followers

Reviews

- 'An **addicting** read for anyone desiring a chance **to escape on a journey of young love and finding out who you are** in the process. Sarah Sprinz creates **a world that I enjoyed getting lost in**. If Dunbridge Academy is taking applications, let me know!' - *Anna Todd*

Author Biography

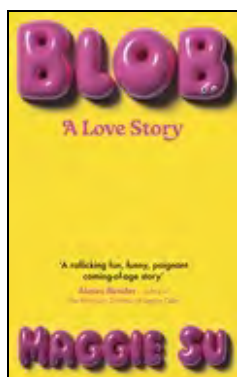
Sarah Sprinz was born in 1996. After studying medicine in Aachen, she returned to her hometown by Lake Constance in southern Germany. When she's not writing, Sarah finds inspiration for new stories during long walks along the lake shore and enjoys planning her next trips to Canada and Scotland.

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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	480 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Series	Dunbridge Academy
Exclusively for Sale	Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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In-House Editor	Stefanie Bierwerth
Book locale	Scottish Highlands, Scotland
Author born in	Lake Constance, Germany
Author living in	Lake Constance, Germany

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BLOB

A Love Story

Maggie Su

Keynote

An acerbically funny debut novel about struggling in your twenties and discovering a mysterious blob!

Description

'A modern-day *Mrs. Caliban*, *BLOB* is a book that looks at identity and desire in profoundly interesting ways'
Kevin Wilson, author of *Nothing to See Here*

A hilarious and moving debut novel about a young woman who decides to turn a sentient blob into her perfect man...

Vi Liu's life is a mess. Having dropped out of college, she's stuck in a job she hates at a local hotel. Her ex-boyfriend has blocked her and she's lashing out at her family and co-workers.

One night, drunk outside a drag club, she stumbles across a mysterious sentient blob. She takes it home, where she feeds it a diet of sugary cereal and reality TV. Slowly, she realises that she can shape the blob into her perfect man: someone attentive, outgoing and with more than a passing resemblance to Ryan Gosling.

But is Bob the blob really the answer to all her problems, or a catalyst for further disaster? Sharp, strange and very funny, *BLOB* is a delightful story about growing up, fucking up and learning how to be a real person.

'A rollicking fun, funny, poignant coming of age story, filled with honesty and delight'
Aimee Bender, author of *The Particular Sadness of Lemon Cake*

'Just brilliant -- utterly original, charming and funny, weirdly real and really weird. I can't stop thinking about this book and I'm telling everyone I know to read it'
Kate Davies, author of *In at the Deep End*

Sales Points

- **An extremely fun and distinctive pitch:** *BLOB* is a joy to talk about and immediately sparks curiosity. It will be such a charming book to share with readers.
- **Millennial ennui meets weird fiction:** Perfect for fans of *Convenience Store Woman* and *Homesick for Another World*, as well as *I Want to Die but I Want to Eat Tteokbokki*, *Nightbitch*, *Diary of a Young Man* and *If I Had Your Face*.
- **A brilliant new author with a passionate US publisher:** Maggie is a really talented debut writer full of ideas and *BLOB* sold at auction in the US to Sarah Stein at Harper who has big ambitions for the book.

Reviews

- **'Unique, heartfelt, and hilarious, *BLOB* is a delightfully inquisitive meditation on relationships and identity ... This winsome book pulls off the impossible feat of examining our deepest existential questions with equal parts tenderness and drollery'** - Ling Ling Huang, author of *NATURAL BEAUTY*
- **'Like a beguiling literary love child of Melissa Broder and Jeff VanderMeer, *BLOB* enthralls with raw intimacy and Frankensteinian science . . . Maggie Su's debut will make you laugh, shriek, and cheer for its wayward, wobbly inventions. *BLOB* is not to be missed!'** - Allegra Hyde, author of *THE LAST CATASTROPHE*
- **'In *BLOB*, Su's prose breathes magic, humor, and empathy into everything it touches . . . You'll want to read this in one sitting, but try to savor it: there are gems of laughter and insight to be unearthed on every page'** - Renee Branum, author of *DEFENESTRATE*

Author Biography

Maggie Su is a writer and editor. She received a PhD in fiction from University of Cincinnati and an MFA from Indiana University. Her work has appeared in *New England Review*, *Four Way Review*, *TriQuarterly Review*, *Puerto del Sol*, *Juked*, *DIAGRAM*, and elsewhere. She currently lives in South Bend, Indiana with her partner, cat, and turtle.

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Extent **256 pages**
Word Count
Illustrations **N/A**
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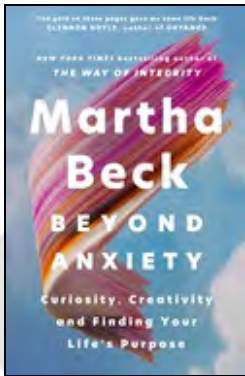
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Beyond Anxiety Curiosity, Creativity and Finding Your Life's Purpose Martha Beck

Keynote

Reduce your anxiety and elevate your creativity to find a place of calm and peace, by New York Times bestselling author Martha Beck.

Description

From bestselling author Martha Beck, a new path to overcoming anxiety by awakening the creativity within.

We live in an epidemic of anxiety. Most of us assume that the key to overcoming it is to think our way out. And for a while it works. But there is always something that sends us back into the anxious spiral we've been trying to climb out of.

In *Beyond Anxiety*, Dr Martha Beck explains why anxiety is skyrocketing around you, and likely within you. She also tells you how to not only reduce your anxiety but use it to propel you into a life filled with peace, meaning, and joy.

Using a combination of the latest neuroscience as well as her background in sociology and coaching, Beck explains how our brains tend to get stuck in an 'anxiety spiral,' a feedback system that can increase anxiety indefinitely. To climb out, we must engage different parts of our nervous system - the parts involved in creativity. Beck provides instructions for engaging the 'creativity spiral,' in a process that not only shuts down anxiety but leads to innovative problem solving, a sense of meaning and purpose, and joyful, intimate connection with others - and with the world.

The opposite of anxiety, it turns out, is a wonderful new way of life - one that can calm and inspire us as individuals and help us become a source of healing for everything around us.

Sales Points

- We have sold over 50k copies of THE WAY OF INTEGRITY. THE WAY OF INTEGRITY was an Oprah's Book Club Pick so we can expect an endorsement/share from Oprah from her channels, if not another book club pick.
- Martha is a top name in the self-help space and has followers and fans the likes of Oprah, Maria Shriver, Glennon Doyle, Marie Forleo, Jay Shetty, Gabby Bernstein, etc.
- Martha's channels and podcasts (millions of downloads, with numbers doubling every week) have grown significantly since TWOI. She has also created an Art of Calm online course to run alongside the book so is really investing in this idea.

Reviews

- 'I'm an anxious bunny. I opened this book hopeful but certain it wouldn't work. It worked. It freaking worked. The gold on these pages gave me some life back. Thank you, thank you, Martha Beck. You did it again!' - Glennon Doyle, author of, *Untamed*
- 'I'm a long time fan of Martha's work. Few if any people are able to bridge abstract concepts into practical steps and combine so many different approaches-somatic, narrative, etc.-toward deep self-understanding and building one's best life from that understanding. Martha has a true gift in being able to do so and to make it so clear and actionable...I read [the book] and it's spectacular.' - Andrew Huberman, PhD, *Professor of Neurobiology and Ophthalmology at Stanford School of Medicine and host of the Huberman Lab podcast*
- 'Martha has tackled a subject that is the true virus of our time: ANXIETY. And with her characteristic humor, brilliance, detective-level research skills, and unconventional thinking, she has discovered actual real-life solutions to this dreaded mental scourge. In doing so, she has once again brought light, hope, and a welcome sense of excitement to us all.' - Elizabeth Gilbert, author of, *Big Magic*
- 'Beck provides exercises to practice a multilayered approach that led her to change how she related to both her inner and her outer worlds . . . I'm so grateful to Martha for showing us the way toward more courageous and connected lives.' - Richard Schwartz, founder of Internal Family Systems Institute
- 'Beck never lectures, never talks down, and doesn't spread doom and fear. Instead, she helps us engage with different parts of our nervous system where our own curiosity and creativity offer a pathway beyond anxiety.' - Elizabeth Lesser, cofounder of Omega Institute and author of, *Broken Open*
- 'Beck teaches us a crucial lesson about our negative emotions: the goal isn't to eradicate them, but to understand, learn, and grow from them. This shift can change your life.' - Arthur C. Brooks, professor of the practice of public and nonprofit leadership at the Harvard Kennedy School and author of, *Build the Life You Want*
- 'Beyond Anxiety is our era's timeliest book . . . These pages contain essential knowledge and innovative tools for anyone who hopes to thrive-and not merely survive-in an age of intensity.' - Susan Casey, author of, *The Underworld*
- 'A breakthrough book on understanding the profound connection between anxiety and the innate untapped creativity and purpose that beckons us all deep from within. A must read for your mental, emotional, and spiritual health.' - Shannon Kaiser, author

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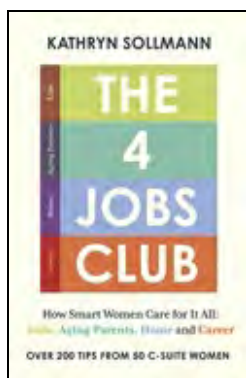
- *Of The Self-Love Experiment* With her signature science, compassion, and humour, Martha Beck upends every-thing we thought we knew about anxiety and how to overcome it . . . I love this book!' - Marci Shimoff, author of, *Happy for No Reason*

Author Biography

Martha Beck, PhD, is a Harvard-trained sociologist, *New York Times* bestselling author, world-renowned life coach and speaker. She is the author of one novel and nine non-fiction books, including the Oprah's Book Club pick *The Way of Integrity*.

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The 4 Jobs Club

How Smart Women Care for It All: Kids, Aging Parents, Home and Career

Kathryn Sollmann

Keynote

50 senior female executives tell how they manage their career alongside care for kids, aging parents, and households, while keeping their sanity.

Description

JOIN THE CLUB!

Whether you're managing a multi-million-dollar division or contributing to a small team, blending work and life over the course of a career takes creativity, organization, cutting yourself slack, exploring strategies and asking for help.

Plan Work and Life from Your Heart

Let fifty of the world's most successful professional women show you how they too care simultaneously for kids, aging parents, households and careers. They each share simple strategies developed through every life stage and career level, whilst managing these 4 big jobs - all with sanity, good humor and grace.

Be True to Your Professional DNA

Career coach Kathryn Sollmann helps smart women integrate work and life, in her mission to keep women working towards long-term financial security. Through conducting this series of interviews she has compiled over 200 simple tips that will help you persevere and keeping moving forwards in your professional life.

These relatively easy, yet powerful tips are from women who have found non-life-shattering trade-offs, practiced anti-perfection, used short-cuts, got help, and set up systems for household equity.

THE 4 JOBS CLUB is the place where you will find the help and wisdom you need to pursue work that fits *your* life and be the professional, mother, daughter, and life partner you want to be.

Join the 4 Jobs Club community at [/the-4-jobs-club.mn.co/](http://the-4-jobs-club.mn.co/)

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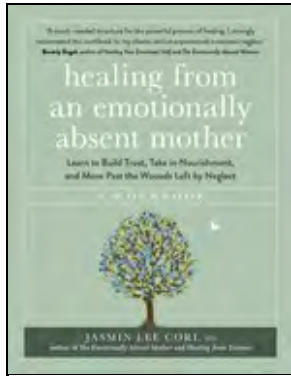
- Includes interviews with 50 of the most senior female executives in the US; including Mastercard President Raj Seshadri, CTO McKinsey, Jacky Wright, CCO Southwest Airlines, Linda Rutherford, the EC of Deloitte, Janet Foutty, CEO Consumer Banking JP Morgan Chase, Jennifer Piepszak and CFO Kohl's, Jill Timm, to name a few.
- Endorsements confirmed from Eve Rodsky, author of *Fair Play* and Laura Vanderkam, who will also be running an affiliate marketing programme
- Kathryn Sollmann's first book received coverage in *The Wall Street Journal*; *The New York Times*; *The Financial Times*; *Chief Executive*; *CEO World*; *Forbes* among others as well as 15+ podcast interviews
- Author's campaign will include outreach to several professional women's associations
- 50 top executive women were interviewed for this book, with diversity that mirrors the number of Black, Asian, Latina and LBGTQ women working in corporate C-suite roles

Author Biography

For 15 years Kathryn Sollmann has been a recognized leader in helping women navigate the many stages of work and life while juggling two major caregiving roles-for children and aging parents. Through Kathryn's entrepreneurial venture, 9 Lives for Women, a blog and coaching practice, she has moved the conversation away from merely the pros and cons of work vs. motherhood to a more significant one: firmly establishing the link between work and a woman's ability to achieve long-term financial security. Her emphasis on women's financial independence has generated event-sponsorship funding from corporate wealth-management giants, including AXA Advisors, Fidelity, Raymond James, Cigna and Wells Fargo. With good humour, no-nonsense delivery, and a unique ability to educate and motivate, Kathryn is a frequent speaker, seminar leader, and inspirational voice for women in all work and life stages.

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Healing From an Emotionally Absent Mother Learn to Build Trust, Take In Nourishment and Move Past the Wounds Left by Neglect – A Workbook

Jasmin Lee Cori

Keynote

* OVER 2000 5-STAR REVIEWS FOR *THE EMOTIONALLY ABSENT MOTHER* *

A new workbook to accompany the ground-breaking guide to self-healing and getting the love you missed.

Description

Distant, emotionally neglectful parenting creates wounds that follow children well into adulthood. As you deal with the impacts as an adult, you might find yourself wondering, *Why do I fly into reactive feelings so easily? Why is it so hard to attend to my own needs? Why is it hard for me to trust people to be there for me? Do I need to hide parts of myself to be lovable?*

If you're searching for a way to let go of the pain caused by insufficient mothering, learn to provide yourself with the love you didn't get as a child, and live a more nourished and fulfilled life, *Healing from an Emotionally Absent Mother* can help. Distilling key takeaways from the groundbreaking book *The Emotionally Absent Mother* and offering new insights into the legacy left by emotional neglect, this workbook is designed to guide healing with accessible lessons as you:

- Uncover your childhood experience of emotional neglect
- Identify the ongoing impacts of this neglect
- Reclaim the pieces of yourself you changed or hid for Mother's sake
- Reparent your young self
- Take advantage of the healing resources available to you
- Learn to accept the love others offer you

Personal inventories, journaling prompts, small-group discussion questions, and many more hands-on exercises will help you identify the needs that went unmet during childhood and move past the hurt.

Sales Points

- Available for the first time outside the US, a new workbook to accompany the bestselling title that has transformed thousands of lives
- Therapist-endorsed and approved
- Over 70,000 copies of *The Emotionally Absent Mother* sold in the US to date
- Over 2000 5-star reviews for *The Emotionally Absent Mother*

Author Biography

Jasmin Lee Cori, MS worked as a licensed psychotherapist for many years, specializing in working with adults who experienced childhood abuse and neglect. She has worked in human service agencies and private practice, and taught psychology in colleges and professional schools. She is the author of numerous articles and five nonfiction books, including *The Emotionally Absent Mother* and *Healing From Trauma*.

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The Artist

Escape to Provence with the most anticipated historical novel of 2025

Lucy Steeds

Keynote

An intense summer of love, lies and the promise of freedom, set in Provence in 1920.

Description

All Joseph wants is to be let into Tartuffe's world. All Ettie wants is to escape it.

The year is 1920. The place is a remote farmhouse in Provence, home to the reclusive painter Edouard Tartuffe and his niece, Ettie. Into this strange, silent house walks Joseph: a young journalist hoping to write an article about Tartuffe. But the more he entangles himself in the peculiar household, the more Joseph's curiosity grows . . .

Ettie cooks and cleans for her uncle. She prepares his studio, scrubs his paintbrushes, and creates the perfect environment for him to work. She has never gone further than the local village. She is sharp-eyed and watchful. But beneath her cool exterior, Joseph senses something simmering. Ettie, Joseph and Tartuffe circle each other throughout the hot, crackling summer, until finally they collide.

The Artist is about two people grabbing the other by the hand and pulling each other into life.

Sales Points

- **PUBLICITY HOOKS AND READING GROUP CONVERSATION STARTERS:** Novel was inspired by a line in a history of art that claimed there were no female forgers. Lucy thought women could be brilliant forgers precisely because no-one was looking at them. Who decides what great art is? Who gets to create? A fictional response to THE STORY OF ART WITHOUT MEN.
- **FOR READERS OF:** Bestselling historical fiction like IN MEMORIUM, THE WHALEBONE THEATRE, THE MINIATURST and THE GIRL WITH A PEARL EARRING. Set over three months in a crumbling farmhouse, it is a seductive, heady riot of colour, creativity, food and heat.
- **BEGINNING OF A BRILLIANT CAREER:** Lucy is twenty-nine and a graduate of the Faber Academy. The novel won and was shortlisted for various prizes pre-publication. Her second novel will be published in 2027.

Author Biography

Lucy is a graduate of both the Faber Academy and the London Library Emerging Writers Programme. She began writing *The Artist* while living in France, and currently splits her time between London and Amsterdam. *The Artist* has been listed for the BPA First Novel Award, the Yeovil Literary Prize, the Page Turner Awards, the Fiction Factory First Chapter Competition, and was a Finalist in the Spotlight First Novel Award and the Moniac Mhor Emerging Writer Award. Lucy herself has synaesthesia and uses this to play with ways of translating images into words. She has a BA in English Literature and a Masters in World Literatures from the University of Oxford.

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