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Voyeur

Francesca Reece



WRITER SEEKS ASSISTANT TO HELP WITH ARCHIVING/RESEARCH FOR A NEW NOVEL. Don't bother to apply if your name is Shakespearean or classical.

PARIS AND SOUTH. PART-TIME.

Leah, a young woman who has found herself 'ambitioned' out of London, is now aimlessly adrift in Paris. Tired of odd jobs in cafés and teaching English to unresponsive social media influencers, her heart skips a beat when she spots an advert for a writer seeking an assistant.

Michael was once the bright young star of the London literary scene, now a washed-up author with writer's block. He doesn't place much hope in the advert, but after meeting Leah is filled with an inspiration he hasn't felt in years.

When Michael offers Leah the opportunity to join him and his family in their rambling but glorious property in the south of France for the summer, she finally feels her luck is turning. But as she begins to transcribe the diaries from his debauched life in 1960s Soho, something begins to nag at Leah's sense of fulfilment; that there might be more to Michael than meets the eye.

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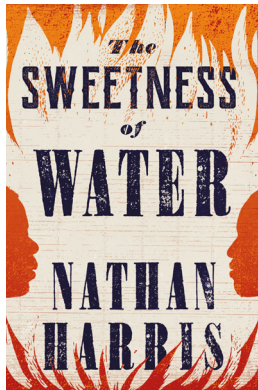
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The Sweetness of Water

Nathan Harris



What price do we pay for freedom?

For readers of *Washington Black*, *The Underground Railroad* and *Days Without End*.

In the dying days of the American Civil War, newly freed brothers Landry and Prentiss find themselves cast into the world without a penny to their names. Forced to hide out in the woods near their former Georgia plantation, they're soon discovered by the land's owner, George Walker, a man still reeling from the loss of his son in the war.

When the brothers begin to live and work on George's farm, the tentative bonds of trust and union begin to blossom between the strangers. But this sanctuary survives on a knife's edge, and it isn't long before the inhabitants of the nearby town of Old Ox react with fury at the alliances being formed only a few miles away.

Conjuring a world fraught by tragedy and violence yet threaded through with hope, *The Sweetness of Water* is a debut novel unique in its power to move and enthrall.

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Nathan Harris is a Michener fellow at the University of Texas. He was awarded the Kidd prize, as judged by Anthony Doerr, and was also a finalist for the Tennessee Williams fiction prize. *The Sweetness of Water* is his debut novel. He lives in Austin, Texas.

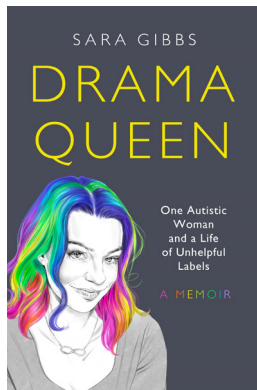
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Drama Queen

One Autistic Woman and a Life of Unhelpful Labels

Sara Gibbs



'It has taken me several years of exploration, but I am at a place now where I see autism as neither an affliction nor a superpower. It's just the blueprint for who I am. There is no cure, but that's absolutely fine by me. To cure me of my autism would be to cure me of myself.'

During the first thirty years of her life, comedy script writer Sara Gibbs had been labelled a lot of things - a cry baby, a scaredy cat, a spoiled brat, a weirdo, a show off - but more than anything else, she'd been called a Drama Queen. No one understood her behaviour, her meltdowns or her intense emotions. She felt like everyone else knew a social secret that she hadn't been let in on; as if life was a party she hadn't been invited to. Why was everything so damn hard? Little did Sara know that, at the age of thirty, she would be given one more label that would change her life's trajectory forever. That one day, sitting next to her husband in a clinical psychologist's office, she would learn that she had never been a drama queen, or a weirdo, or a cry baby, but she had always been autistic.

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Drama Queen is both a tour inside one autistic brain and a declaration that a diagnosis on the spectrum, with the right support, accommodations and understanding, doesn't have to be a barrier to life full of love, laughter and success. It is the story of one woman trying to fit into a world that has often tried to reject her and, most importantly, it's about a life of labels, and the joy of ripping them off one by one.



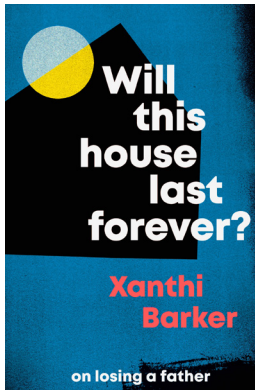
Sara Gibbs is a UK-based comedy writer, graduate of the National Film and Television School's Writing & Producing Comedy course and prolific tweeter. Her credits include *Dead Ringers*, *The News Quiz*, *The Daily Mash*, *CollegeHumor*, *The Now Show*, *The Mash Report* and *Have I Got News for You*. She is co-founder of satirical online women's magazine, *Succubus*, and the founder of The First Laugh Comedy Writing Competition for new writers.

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Will This House Last Forever?

Xanthi Barker



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'I loved this delicate and engaging story of love and grief so much that it made me wish I was still a bookseller so I could press it into the hands of all my customers who liked Max Porter, or Olivia Laing, or Sally Rooney, or who were just in the mood for honest and really beautifully written reflections on what it means to have a flawed father who always put poetry first.' **Cathy Rentzenbrink**

'It felt such a privilege to read this book. Raw, devastating, beautifully formed. Let's keep our eye on Barker.' **Daisy Johnson**

A piercingly honest and heartfelt memoir, *Will This House Last Forever?* channels the intensity of *By Grand Central Station I Sat Down And Wept* for a new generation of readers.

When Xanthi Barker's father died when she was in her mid-twenties, she could make no sense of her grief for a man who had been absent for most of her life.

Her father, poet Sebastian Barker, left to pursue writing and a new relationship, when Xanthi was a baby. Growing up she had always struggled to reconcile his extravagant affection – a rocking horse crafted from scavenged wood, the endless stream of poems and drawings and letters, conversations that spiralled from the structure of starlight to philosophy to Bruce Springsteen - with the fact that he could not be depended upon for more everyday things. Though theirs was a relationship defined by departures, he always returned, so why should this farewell be any different, or more final?

***Will This House Last Forever?* is a wholly original memoir about the pain of having to come to terms with a parent's mortality, the way grief so utterly defies logic, and learning to see the flaws in those we love, and let them go.**



Xanthi Barker was born in London where she lives, and works in education. Her stories have been published in magazines including *Litro* and *Mslxia*, have been performed at Liar's League, and have been shortlisted for the Fish Prize. She won the 2017 The Short Story Prize and her piece 'Paradoxical' was highly commended in the 2018 Spread the Word Life Writing Prize. Her novelette *One Thing* was published by Open Pen.

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In The Heights: Finding Home

Lin-Manuel Miranda, Quiara Alegría Hudes and
Jeremy McCarter



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The eagerly awaited follow-up to the #1 *New York Times* bestseller *Hamilton: The Revolution*, Lin-Manuel Miranda's new book gives readers an extraordinary inside look at *In the Heights*, his breakout Broadway debut, written with Quiara Alegría Hudes, soon to be a Hollywood blockbuster.

In 2008, *In the Heights*, a new musical from up-and-coming young artists, electrified Broadway. The show's vibrant mix of Latin music and hip-hop captured life in Washington Heights, the Latino neighborhood in upper Manhattan. It won four Tony Awards and became an international hit, delighting audiences around the world. For the film version, director Jon M. Chu (*Crazy Rich Asians*) brought the story home, filming its spectacular dance numbers on location in Washington Heights. That's where Usnavi, Nina, and their neighbors chase their dreams and ask a universal question: Where do I belong?

In the Heights: Finding Home reunites Miranda with Jeremy McCarter, co-author of *Hamilton: The Revolution*, and Quiara Alegría Hudes, the Pulitzer Prize-winning librettist of the Broadway musical and screenwriter of the film. They do more than trace the making of an unlikely Broadway smash and a major motion picture: They give readers an intimate look at the decades-long creative life of *In the Heights*.

Like *Hamilton: The Revolution*, the book offers untold stories, perceptive essays, and the lyrics to Miranda's songs—complete with his funny, heartfelt annotations. It also features newly commissioned portraits and never-before-seen photos from backstage, the movie set, and productions around the world.

This is the story of characters who search for a home—and the artists who created one.

Lin-Manuel Miranda is an award-winning composer, lyricist, and performer, as well as the recipient of a 2015 MacArthur Foundation Award.

Quiara Alegría Hudes is the Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright of *Water by the Spoonful* and the author of a memoir, *My Broken Language*.

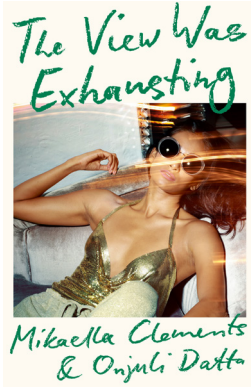
Jeremy McCarter is the author of *Young Radicals* and co-author, with Lin-Manuel Miranda, of the #1 *New York Times* bestseller *Hamilton: The Revolution*.



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The View Was Exhausting

Mikaella Clements and Onjuli Datta



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'*The View Was Exhausting* is *utterly* delightful, the Hollywood fake dating romance of my dreams. A glittering, swoon-worthy love story that's also about the intersections of power, representation, fame and privilege.' Jane Healey, author of *The Animals at Lockwood Manor*

'An absolutely stellar debut with tension that crackles and prose that sings.' Emily Henry, author of *Beach Read*

The epic love story of 2021, for fans of *Daisy Jones and the Six*.

Whitman 'Win' Tagore and Leo Milanowski are the greatest love story of our time. International movie star meets the beautiful son of a millionaire. Their kisses write headlines and their fights break the internet. Nobody needs to know it's not real.

Win knows that Hollywood demands perfection - especially from a woman of colour.

Leo just wants to enjoy life, and shift press attention away from his dysfunctional family.

Together they control the narrative.

Except this time, on the shores of Saint-Tropez, Leo is hiding a secret that is about to send Win's world spinning. Now everyone's dream couple must confront the messy reality of their relationship. Just as they're starting to realise that they might actually be falling in love...

The View Was Exhausting is a bold, swoon-worthy and utterly modern debut novel about truth, fame and privilege - and how we love now.

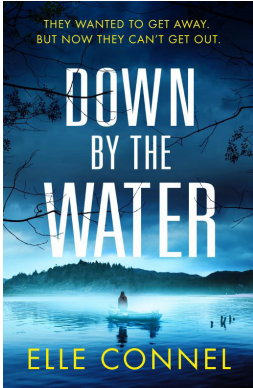
Mikaella Clements and **Onjuli Datta** have been writing fiction together since they first met in 2013. They are now married and live in Berlin, where they write and study. Originally from Australia, Mikaella was highly commended in the 2019 Bridport Short Story Prize and shortlisted in the 2019 Galley Beggar Press Prize. Her work has appeared in the *New York Times*, the *Guardian*, the *TLS*, and the *LA Review of Books*, amongst others. Onjuli is British and was longlisted in the 2020 Desperate Literature Short Fiction Prize, as well as publishing non-fiction in the *Billfold* and *Daddy* Magazine.

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Down By The Water

Elle Connel



Seven friends. A castle in the woods. An uninvited guest...

A page-turning thriller perfect for fans of Ruth Ware's *In a Dark*, *Dark Wood* and Lucy Foley's *The Hunting Party*.

Seven friends gather at a castle in the Scottish Borders. One last girls' weekend before Georgina's wedding. Near the castle, through a path in the woods, is a loch. After a few bottles of Prosecco, the girls head down to the water to take photos. The loch is wild, lonely, and stunningly beautiful. They set their camera to self-timer and take some group shots. Later, looking back at the pictures, they see something impossible.

Behind them, eyes wide, a small, drenched boy emerges from the water.

How did he get there; where is he now; and what does he want?

The girls thought they knew each other's darkest secrets, but one of them has been hiding something terrible. Consumed by grief, she's been waiting for the perfect moment to wreak her revenge...

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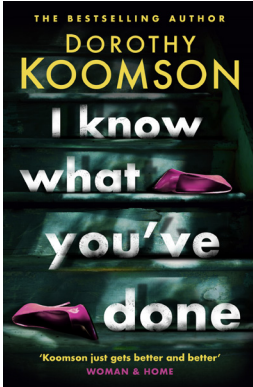
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I Know What You've Done

Dorothy Koomson



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The new novel from Sunday Times bestseller Dorothy Koomson

What if all your neighbours' secrets landed in a diary on your doorstep?

What if the woman who gave it to you was murdered by one of the people in the diary?

What if the police asked if you knew anything?

Would you hand over the book of secrets?

Or ... would you try to find out what everyone had done?

Readers love Dorothy Koomson:

'Koomson just gets better and better' *Woman & Home*

'An instantly involving psychological thriller' *Daily Telegraph*

'This is devastatingly good' *Heat*

'The suspense was on another level' *Black Girls Book Club*

'Written with verve and insight' *Stylist*

'We just couldn't put it down' *Closer*

'The author plays a blinder' *Sun*



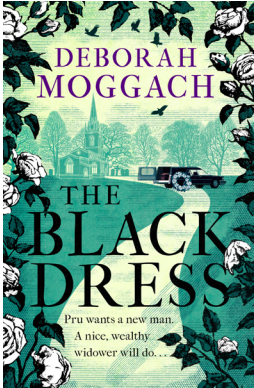
Dorothy Koomson is the award-winning author of fifteen novels including the Sunday Times bestsellers *My Best Friend's Girl*, *The Ice Cream Girls* and *Goodnight, Beautiful*. Dorothy's novels have been translated into over 30 languages, and a TV adaptation based on *The Ice Cream Girls* was shown on ITV1 in 2013. After briefly living in Australia, Dorothy now lives in Brighton.

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The Black Dress

Deborah Moggach



Pru is on her own. But then, so are plenty of other people. And while the loneliness can be overwhelming, surely she'll find a party somewhere?

'Moggach is at the height of her powers' *Sunday Times*

Pru's husband has walked out, leaving her alone to contemplate her future. She's missing not so much him, but the life they once had - picnicking on the beach with small children, laughing together, nestling up like spoons in the cutlery drawer as they sleep. Now there's just a dip on one side of the bed and no-one to fill it.

In a daze, Pru goes off to a friend's funeral. Usual old hymns, words of praise and a eulogy but...it doesn't sound like the friend Pru knew. And it isn't. She's gone to the wrong service. Everyone was very welcoming, it was - oddly - a laugh, and more excitement than she's had for ages. So she buys a little black dress in a charity shop and thinks, now I'm all set, why not go to another? I mean, people don't want to make a scene at a funeral, do they? No-one will challenge her - and what harm can it do?

'Full of warmth and humour, as well as blistering truths' *Daily Mirror*

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Deborah Moggach, OBE, is a British novelist and an award-winning screenwriter. She has written twenty novels, including *Tulip Fever*, *These Foolish Things* (which became the bestselling novel and film *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*), and *The Carer*. She lives in London.

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Razorblade Tears

S.A. Cosby



'A provocative thriller masterpiece from the author of critically acclaimed *Blacktop Wasteland*.'

**A BLACK FATHER. A WHITE FATHER.
TWO MURDERED SONS. A QUEST FOR VENGEANCE.**

Ike Randolph has been out of jail for 15 years, with not so much as a speeding ticket since. But a black man with cops at the door knows to be afraid. The last thing he expects to hear is that his son Isiah has been murdered, along with Isiah's white husband, Derek. Ike had never fully accepted his son but is devastated by his loss.

Derek's father Buddy Lee was almost as ashamed of Derek for being gay as Derek was ashamed that his father was a criminal. Buddy Lee still has contacts in the underworld, though...and he wants to know who killed his boy.

Ike and Buddy Lee, two ex-cons with little in common other than a criminal past and a love for their dead sons, band together in a desperate desire for retribution. In their quest to do better for their children in death than they did in life, they must confront their prejudices about their sons - and each other - as they rain down vengeance upon those who hurt them.

A revenge thriller and an achingly tender story of redemption, this novel is a ferocious portrait of grief; for those loved and lost, and for mistakes than can never truly be undone.

Praise for *Blacktop Wasteland*:

'Sensationally good... real, authentic, twisty, with characters and dilemmas that will break your heart' **Lee Child**

'A complex and moving take on radical tension and self-destructive masculinity... this is undoubtedly one of the summer's standout reads'
The Guardian

'An urgent, timely, pitch-perfect jolt of American noir, S. A. Cosby is a welcome, refreshing new voice in crime literature' **Dennis Lehane**

'Spectacular... a voice as stark and distinctive as Elmore Leonard's, and a humanity that touches the soul' **Daily Mail**

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The Kindness Project

Sam Binnie



The locals of the Cornish village of Polperran are grieving the sudden loss of Bea Kimbrel, a cornerstone of their small community.

Now her reclusive, estranged daughter Alice has turned up, keen to tie up Bea's affairs and move on.

But Alice receives a strange bequest from Bea - a collection of unfinished tasks to help out those in Polperran most in need.

As each little act brings her closer to understanding her mother, it also begins to offer Alice the courage to open her clamped-shut heart. Perhaps Bea's project will finally unlock the powerful secrets both women have been keeping . . .

***The Kindness Project* will draw you deep into the lives of two compelling women who should never have missed their chance to say goodbye. It will break your heart - and piece it back together again . . .**

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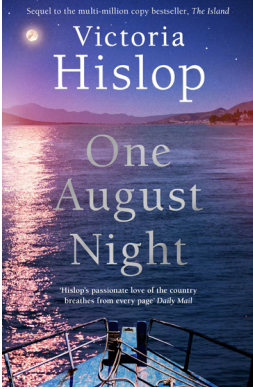
Sam Binnie has written for the *Guardian*, *Vice* magazine, and Google's Creative Lab, among others, and was the 2005 winner of the Harper's/Orange Prize Short Story Competition. *The Kindness Project* is her fourth novel.

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One August Night

Victoria Hislop



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'A return to Hislop's thyme-scented, Aegean-lapped fictional Greece' *The Sunday Times*

Beloved author Victoria Hislop returns to Crete in this long-anticipated sequel to her multi-million-copy Number One bestseller, *The Island*. *One August Night* was a huge hardback bestseller in 2020.

25th August 1957. The island of Spinalonga closes its leper colony. And a moment of violence has devastating consequences.

When time stops dead for Maria Petrakis and her sister, Anna, two families splinter apart and, for the people of Plaka, the closure of Spinalonga is forever coloured with tragedy.

In the aftermath, the question of how to resume life looms large. Stigma and scandal need to be confronted and somehow, for those impacted, a future built from the ruins of the past.

Number one bestselling author Victoria Hislop returns to the world and characters she created in *The Island* - the award-winning novel that remains one of the biggest selling reading group novels of the century. It is finally time to be reunited with Anna, Maria, Manolis and Andreas in the weeks leading up to the evacuation of the island... and beyond.

'A dramatic story of love, betrayal and allegiances . . . Hislop evokes Greece beautifully' *Woman & Home*

Inspired by a visit to Spinalonga, the abandoned Greek leprosy colony, Victoria Hislop wrote *The Island* in 2005. It became an international bestseller and a 26-part Greek TV series. She was named Newcomer of the Year at the British Book Awards and is now an ambassador for Leprosy. Her affection for the Mediterranean then took her to Spain, and her No.1 bestseller *The Return*. In *The Thread*, Victoria returned to Greece to tell the turbulent tale of Thessaloniki. Her fourth novel, *The Sunrise*, about the Turkish invasion of Cyprus was also a No1 bestseller. *Cartes Postales from Greece*, fiction illustrated with photographs, was a *Sunday Times* bestseller in hardback and one of the biggest selling books of 2016. The poignant and powerful *Those Who Are Loved*, was a *Sunday Times* No 1 bestseller and explores a tempestuous period of modern Greek history through the eyes of a complex and compelling heroine. Victoria's latest novel, *One August Night*, the sequel to *The Island* was a huge hardback bestseller, spending many weeks in the top ten list on 2020. In 2020, Victoria was granted Honorary Greek Citizenship by the President of Greece.



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The Chanel Sisters

Judithe Little



'Delicious and utterly absorbing... This is a book to be relished and savoured. I can't recommend it enough' Gill Thompson, author of *The Child on Platform One*

The unforgettable story of the sisters who changed fashion forever. For readers who fell in love with *The Paris Wife* and *The Ages of Light*.

The Chanel Sisters draws readers through all different walks of Parisian life in the early twentieth century to the extraordinary legacy that lives on today - the most iconic fashion house in haute couture.

Judithe Little grew up in Virginia and earned a Bachelor of Arts in Foreign Affairs from the University of Virginia. She lives in Houston, Texas, and is the author of two novels, *The Chanel Sisters* and *Wickwythe Hall*, award-winning historical fiction set during World War II.

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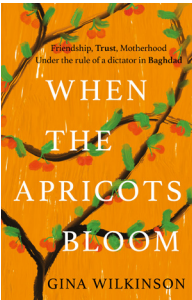


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When the Apricots Bloom

Gina Wilkinson



At night, in Huda's fragrant garden of apricot trees, a breeze sweeps in from the desert, carrying warning of visitors at her gate . . .

Huda, a secretary at the Australian embassy, has been ordered by the *mukhabarat* - the secret police - to befriend Ally Wilson, the deputy ambassador's wife. Huda has no wish to be an informant, but she fears for her teenage son, who may be forced to join a deadly militia. Little does she know, Ally has dangerous secrets of her own. Meanwhile, Huda's former friend, Rania, enjoyed a privileged upbringing as the daughter of a sheikh. Now her family's wealth is gone, and Rania, too, is battling to keep her child safe and a roof over their heads. As the women's lives intersect, their hidden pasts spill into the present. Facing possible betrayal at every turn, all three must trust in a fragile, newfound loyalty, even as they discover how much they are willing to sacrifice to protect their families.

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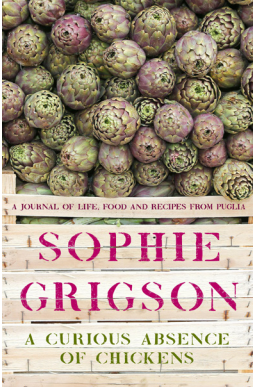
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A Curious Absence of Chickens

A journal of life, food and recipes from Puglia

Sophie Grigson



'Puglia is a region I want to get to know intimately, to understand culture, life, history and geography, reflecting through the prism of the food that's put on the tables of locals and tourists, too. I'm reminded of my 20-year old self, scribbling in notebooks as I first travelled through Italy's south, only this time I'm back to stay.'

After her children grew up and left home, Sophie Grigson found herself living alone. About to turn 60, she took the decision to sell her house and most of her belongings, to pack up her car and to drive to Puglia on her own to start a new life. In a part of Italy where she didn't know anyone, having last visited the region 40 years ago, this narrative book of food writing, stories and recipes brings to life the region, its food and the local characters that she meets along the way. In the style of the cookbooks of Sophie's late mother, Jane Grigson, and also of Elizabeth David, this is a book about courage, hope, new horizons and, above all, delicious food.

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Sophie Grigson is a cook, food writer and television presenter with over 20 books to her name and nine television series for BBC, Channel 4 and UKTV Food. She has also written columns and articles for the *Evening Standard*, *Independent*, *Sunday Times*, *Country Living*, *BBC Good Food* and *Waitrose Food Illustrated*. During this time she has been raising her children, running her cookery school in Oxford and presenting television shows for The Travel Channel. On a whim, after interviewing Russell Norman about Venice, in 2019 she sold her house and the majority of her belongings and packed herself into her small car to move to Puglia in the south of Italy.

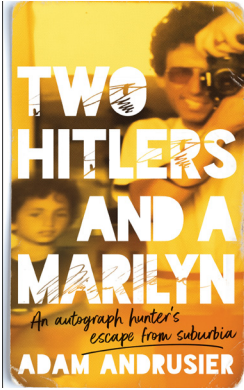
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Two Hitlers and a Marilyn

An autograph hunter's escape from suburbia

Adam Andrusier



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"I'd managed to puncture a hole between our universe and the parallel one where all the celebrities lived."

Adam Andrusier spent his childhood in pursuit of autographs. After writing to every famous person he could think of, from Frank Sinatra to Colonel Gaddafi, he soon jostled with the paparazzi at stage doors and came face-to-face with the most famous people on the planet.

For young Adam, autographs were a backstage pass to a world beyond his chaotic family home in Pinner, and his Holocaust-obsessed father. They provided a special connection to a world of glamour and significance lying just beyond his reach.

But as Adam turned from collector to dealer, learning how to spot a fake from the real deal, he discovered that in life, as in autographs, not everything is as it first appears. When your obsession is a search for the authentic, what happens when you discover fraudulence in your own family?

Two Hitlers and a Marilyn is both a hilarious and moving account of discovering that idols are mortals. It's a story of growing up, forgiveness and discovering a place in the world.



Adam Andrusier is a writer living in North West London. He studied music at Cambridge and completed the creative writing MA at UEA. He is a professional dealer of rare and valuable autographs and his work provided the inspiration for Zadie Smith's second novel, *The Autograph Man*. His debut, *Two Hitlers and a Marilyn* is drawn on his childhood as an obsessive autograph collector and will be published in 2021.

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Keep the Receipts

Tolani Shoneye, Audrey Indome and Milena Sanchez



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This book is all the conversations and advice you've had in the club toilet, finally in one place.

Crying over that situationship and needing someone to remind you you're a bad bitch?

In a dilemma with your friends and not sure the best way forward?

Can't figure out how to dump the boyfriend who has never made you orgasm?

The Receipts girls have got you!

Join your girl Tolly T, Audrey, formerly known as Ghana's Finest, and your mamacita Milena Sanchez as they get super honest about their life experiences and lessons. From their different approaches to love to their wise advice on building strong friendships; from those conversations about sex we never have, to how to enjoy life as a Black woman or a woman of colour, The Receipts girls always keep it real, authentic and fiercely funny.

This book is a celebration of the wonderful messes, mistakes, successes, highs and lows of three audacious women who are still trying to get it right and live their best lives.

It's time to normalise women sharing things with zero judgement, to embrace women for all their flaws and differences and to realise being completely yourself is the best thing you could possibly be.

This is the sisterhood you've always wanted to be a part of.

The Receipts Podcast is a fun and honest chart-topping podcast fronted by **Tolani Shoneye**, **Audrey Indome** and **Milena Sanchez**.



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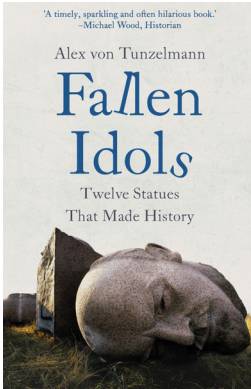
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Fallen Idols

Twelve Statues That Made History

Alex Von Tunzelmann



Over the past three years, the world has witnessed huge discussions about which figures from the past one should, or should not, celebrate and commemorate with a statue. The recent removal of the statue of infamous slave transporter Edward Colston in Bristol still resonates in the UK as debates rage on race, inequality, politics and gender. However, the conversations, demonstrations and petitions for the removal of statues to men and women whose lives and careers are in question is not a new phenomenon, but one that has been going on for generations.

In *Fallen Idols*, Von Tunzelmann focuses on key statues across the USA, the UK, Africa and the old USSR to show the reader how the march of history can be unkind to leaders we sometime venerate at one point, and then cast aside at another. A hugely informative and nuanced read, supported with line-drawn illustrations, that will educate and entertain in equal measure.

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Alex von Tunzelmann lives in London. She read history at University College, Oxford, and afterwards worked as a researcher on books for authors including Jeremy Paxman, Felicity Lawrence, John Kay and Alison Wolf. Her books include the international bestselling *Indian Summer*.

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Love People Use Things

Joshua Fields Milburn



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From the Netflix and podcasting superstars **The Minimalists** this is a guide to decluttering your life so that you can prioritize the relationships that matter most.

Imagine your life a year from now. Five years from now. What will it look like? Imagine a life with less: less stuff, less clutter, less stress and debt and discontent - a life with fewer distractions. Now, imagine a life with more: more time, more meaningful relationships, more growth and contribution and contentment - a life of passion, unencumbered by the trappings of the chaotic world around you.

Joshua Fields Millburn and **Ryan Nicodemus** use their own experiences - and those of the people they have met along their minimalist journey - to provide a template for how to live a fuller, more meaningful life. They do this by examining the seven essential relationships - truth, stuff, self, money, values, creativity and people - that make us who we are. Through confronting and exploring these **The Minimalists** have the tools to help in the fight against consumerism, clearing the clutter to make room for what's truly important.



Joshua Fields Millburn and **Ryan Nicodemus**, known to their audience as **The Minimalists**, help more than 20 million people live meaningful lives with less through their website, books, podcast and films. They have been featured in *The New York Times*, *The New Yorker*, *The Wall Street Journal* and *Time* magazine, and they have spoken at Harvard, Apple, and Google. The Minimalists Podcast is often the #1 health podcast on Apple Podcasts, and their documentary, *Minimalism*, was released by Netflix. Both raised in Dayton, Ohio, they currently live in Los Angeles.

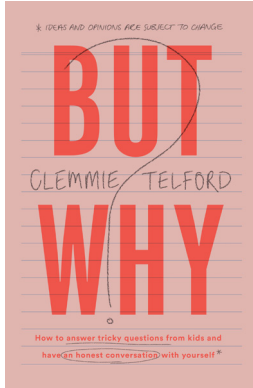
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But Why?

How to answer tricky questions from kids and have an honest conversation with yourself

Clemmie Telford



But Why? covers a wide range of topics including bodies, bullying, mental health, sexuality, money and social media.

It's a book that aims to help parents tackle those awkward questions that can floor the best of us. Imagine the scene: you're trying to put the kids to bed, your brain has checked out for the day and suddenly, from nowhere, all manner of unrelated but potentially important questions are flung into the night-time routine as you're trying to get them to brush their teeth properly:

- * But why are parents ruining the planet?
- * But why don't boys wear dresses?
- * But why do people get married?
- * But why do we have feelings?
- * But why don't I look like everyone else?
- * But why do you have to work?

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With a foreword by leading psychotherapist Anna Mathur (*author of Mind Over Mother*) this book is informed by a huge, varied body of research. Including conversations with experts via Clemmie's popular Honestly Podcast, the insight of 300-plus contributors to Clemmie's blog 'Mother of All Lists', bravely sharing first-hand accounts, and of course Clemmie's own experience as a mother of three.

Clemmie describes this book as an 'existential crisis' which found her challenging everything she thought she knew about everything (but in a good way).



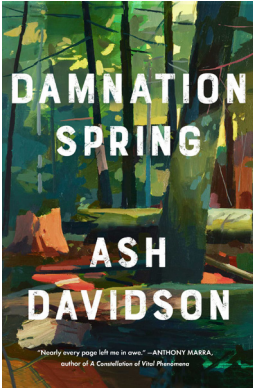
Clemmie Telford is the podcaster and parenting-influencer behind the 'Mother of all Lists' website and the 'Honestly' podcast. Her platform is based on having open conversations on all sorts of tricky subjects, particularly those relevant to parents. She spent the first 13 years of her career as a copywriter in top ad agencies and, most recently, at Facebook's Creative Shop. Her foray into social media began as a form of therapy whilst on maternity leave. Having struggled to find an honest account of the realities of being a parent she did it herself. Doing so gained her traction and a valuable community. She is passionate about using her platforms to give others a voice and enabling conversations about subjects that some might deem taboo.

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Damnation Spring

Ash Davidson



'Ash Davidson reminds us that we are never more profoundly shaped by our environment than when we destroy it. Nearly every page left me in awe' Anthony Marra, author of *A Constellation of Vital Phenomena*

For generations, Rich Gunderson's family has chopped a living out of the redwood forest on California's rugged coast. It's treacherous work, and though his son Chub hopes for nothing more than to scale the huge trees like his father, Rich longs to give him a safer future. Now timber giant Sanderson Co. looks set to make a killing on Damnation Grove, a swath of uncut redwoods on Rich's doorstep, that could be the answer to his prayers. But it's a gamble that's going to take everything he's got, and not one he's prepared to share with his wife, Colleen.

Colleen, meanwhile, is guarding secrets of her own: the pain of her dwindling hopes that one day there will be a little brother or sister for Chub; the evidence she is gathering that she's not the only woman to have lost several pregnancies; the arrival in town of an old flame who may just be able to confirm her worst fear: that there's something poisonously wrong at the heart of the forest, which threatens to tear their whole community apart.

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I Shot the Devil

Ruth McIver



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They went out to the woods to have fun. And two of them didn't return.

A dark, twisty thriller of small town buried secrets for readers of *In the Woods* (*Dublin Murders*), *The Girls* and *The Secret History*.

Twenty years ago, the devil visited the woods around Southport, Long Island, claiming the lives of two boys. A local youth was charged with murder. Case closed.

Now journalist Erin Sloane has been commissioned to dig deeper into the story and is sent notes from someone long forgotten. But can she trust what she unearths? And how can she unravel what happened when she has her own secrets to hide?

Rich with the sense of a community imploding, buried secrets, corruption and racism, *I Shot the Devil* is a stunning portrayal of teenage hysteria and sexuality.



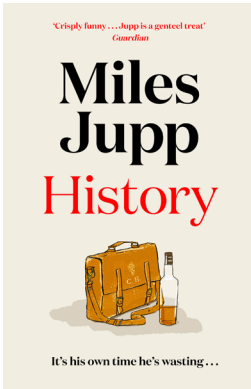
Ruth McIver completed her PhD at Curtin University and is an ERC (Early Career Researcher) working in the arena of true-crime inspired fiction. Ruth has written reviews, articles and interviews for *The Sunday Age*, *The Big Issue* and *Cordite*, and numerous other online and print forums. Her first fiction manuscript, *Nothing Gold*, was runner-up in the inaugural Banjo Awards (2018) and was one of seven novels selected to be pitched at Bloody Scotland Crime Festival (2014). Ruth's novel-in-verse, *The Sunset Club* (2014), is a DIY publication that was highly commended in the Anne Elder category by the FAW (Fellowship of Australian writers). Ruth lives in Melbourne, Australia

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History

Miles Jupp



A satirical, tragicomic story about a man on the edge from actor and comedian Miles Jupp. For readers of Jonathan Coe, Mark Watson, Michael Frayn and David Nicholls.

Clive Hapgood is feeling stuck. The private school he teaches at is consuming his life, no thanks to wretched headteacher Timothy Crouch. The gentle country life Clive envisaged has stifled him and left his marriage on the brink. What he needs is a holiday - something to remind him and Helen what life used to be like. But when things don't go to plan, and an incident at school begins to weigh heavy on his head, Clive's life starts to unravel in front of him. Has he got it in him to turn things around, whatever the cost? After all, it's his own time he's wasting...

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Miles Jupp is an actor, comedian and writer. He played Nigel in the BAFTA winning sitcom *Rev*, and John Duggan in Armando Iannucci's *The Thick of It*, and has made multiple appearances on *Have I Got News For You*, *Mock the Week* and *Would I Lie to You?* Film appearances include *The Monuments Men*, directed by and starring George Clooney, Michael Winterbottom's *The Look of Love* and *Made In Dagenham*. Miles has appeared on the West End stage in *Neville's Island* and at the National Theatre in *Both Rules For Living* and *People*. As well as writing and starring in the successful BBC Radio 4 sitcom *In and Out of the Kitchen*, in 2015 he also took over from Sandi Toksvig as host of *The News Quiz*.

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The Beloved Girls

Harriet Evans



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The outstanding new novel from the *Sunday Times* Top Ten bestselling author of *The Garden of Lost and Found*.

'It's a funny old house. They have this ceremony every summer . . . There's an old chapel, in the grounds of the house. It's half-derelict. The Hunters keep bees in there. Every year, on the same day, the family processes to the chapel. They open the combs, taste the honey. Take it back to the house. Half for them -' my father winced, as though he had bitten down on a sore tooth. 'And half for us.'

Catherine, a successful barrister, vanishes from a train station on the eve of her anniversary. Is it because she saw a figure - someone she believed long dead? Or was it a shadow cast by her troubled, fractured mind?

The answer lies buried in the past. It lies in the events of the hot, seismic summer of 1989, at Vanes - a mysterious West Country manor house - where a young girl, Jane LeStrange, arrives to stay with the gilded, grand Hunter family, and where a devastating tragedy will unfold. Over the summer, as an ancient family ritual looms closer, Janey falls for each member of the family in turn. She and Kitty, the eldest daughter of the house, will forge a bond that decades later, is still shaping the present . . .

'We need the bees to survive, and they need us to survive. Once you understand that, you understand the history of Vanes, you understand our family.'



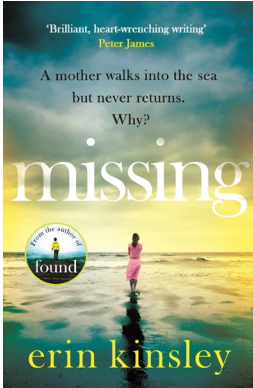
Harriet Evans is the author of several top ten bestsellers including the *Sunday Times* bestselling *The Garden of Lost and Found* and Richard and Judy bookclub selection *The Wildflowers*. She used to work in publishing and now writes full time, when she is not being distracted by her children, other books, sewing projects, puzzles, gardening, and her much-loved collection of jumpsuits. Last year, she and her family moved from London to Bath.

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Missing

Erin Kinsley



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A MOTHER WALKS INTO THE SEA . . . AND NEVER COMES BACK. WHY?

One perfect summer day, mother of two Alice walks into the sea . . . and never comes back.

Her daughters - loyal but fragile Lily, and headstrong, long-absent Marietta - are forcibly reunited by her disappearance.

Meanwhile, with retirement looming, DI Fox investigates cold cases long since forgotten. And there's one obsession he won't let go: the tragic death of an infant twenty years before.

Can Lily and Marietta uncover what happened to their mother? Will Fox solve a mystery that has haunted him for decades? As their stories unexpectedly collide, long-buried secrets will change their lives in unimaginable ways.

Praise for Erin Kinsley's novels, which have been a BBC RADIO 2 BOOK CLUB CHOICE and SUNDAY TIMES CRIME CLUB PICK:

'Brilliant, compelling, heart-wrenching writing.' Peter James

'An unputdownable thriller.' Elly Griffiths

'Sensitive and moving...but with a core of pure tension' *Sunday Times*

'Full of twists and turns to keep you guessing, this is a gripping and compelling read you won't want to put down' *Heat*

'One of those rare finds - a page turner that is equally remarkable for the beauty of the writing. It will suck you in and take you on a journey' Jo Spain

'Gripping...once started, impossible to put down!' Minette Walters

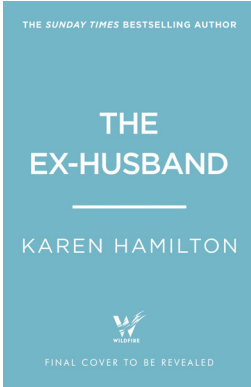
Erin Kinsley is a full-time writer. She grew up in Yorkshire and currently lives in East Anglia. Erin Kinsley is a full-time writer. She grew up in Yorkshire and currently lives in East Anglia. Her first novel, *Found*, was a **BBC Radio 2 Book Club** and **Sunday Times Crime Club** pick. Erin's second novel, *Innocent*, published in August 2020.

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The Ex-Husband

Karen Hamilton



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The Woman in Cabin 10 meets *Catch Me If You Can* in this gripping new thriller from bestselling author of *The Perfect Girlfriend* Karen Hamilton.

A con-artist finds the roles are reversed when her former victim seeks revenge...

Charlotte Wilson didn't choose a life of crime. It chose her. Once introduced to the world of wealthy clients and easy money by her ex-husband on board cruise ships, Charlotte was hooked. However, complacency and greed led to a slip-up with devastating consequences. Her ex winds up dead and Charlotte is threatened with exposure.

Attending a wedding party onboard another luxury cruise liner gives Charlotte the perfect guise to return to the scene of her original crimes on a Caribbean island, in order to retrieve hidden evidence. However, trapped out at sea, Charlotte realises that the person threatening her must also be on board. But who? A friend? Charlotte's current lover? Or maybe even her ex-husband's fiancée?

Upon discovering the link between a past victim and her current tormentor, a horrified Charlotte finds the roles reversed - because it turns out that it really does take one to know one - unless she can pull off her biggest con yet by persuading them of her innocence.



Karen Hamilton spent her childhood in Angola, Zimbabwe, Belgium and Italy and worked as a flight attendant for many years. Karen is a recent graduate of the Faber Academy and, having now put down roots in Hampshire to raise her young family with her husband, she satisfies her wanderlust by exploring the world through her writing. Karen's first novel, *The Perfect Girlfriend*, was a *Sunday Times* bestseller. *The Last Wife* is her latest novel.

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Long Shadows

Jodi Taylor



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The third novel in the gripping supernatural thriller series from international bestselling author Jodi Taylor, perfect for fans of Sarah Painter and Genevieve Cogman.

'I don't know who I am. I don't know what I am.'

The identity of Elizabeth Cage has always been a mystery. Even she doesn't know who she is. But someone has suspicions. Someone has played the long game. Someone is about to find out. And it's not Elizabeth herself.

Jodi Taylor is the internationally bestselling author of the Chronicles of St Mary's series, the story of a bunch of disaster prone individuals who investigate major historical events in contemporary time. Do NOT call it time travel! She is also the author of the Time Police series - a St Mary's spinoff and gateway into the world of an all-powerful, international organisation who are NOTHING like St Mary's. Except, when they are.

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Perfect Timing

Owen Nicholls



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'A complete delight' Holly Bourne

For Jess and Tom, timing is everything.

For her, it's the moment she delivers the perfect punchline. For him, it's the heartbeat in the music he makes with his band.

And from the night they meet, sharing the same stage at the Edinburgh Festival, their attraction is undeniable. At first, it seems their timing is as perfect in the wings as it is in front of a crowd.

But as Jess and Tom's careers take off, the moment for true connection is always just out of reach. With fate pushing them together, only to pull them apart, will the timing ever be right?

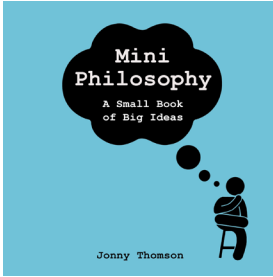
After all, when it comes to love, the timing has to be perfect. . . Doesn't it?

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Mini Philosophy

Jonny Thomson



Why do people enjoy watching scary movies? Should we bet on the existence of God? Why is pleasure better than pain? And when is a duck not a duck? *Mini Philosophy* is a fascinating journey into what some of the greatest minds of the last 2500 years have to say about the big questions in life, and why they are relevant to us today.

Covering everything from Sun Tzu's strategy for winning at board games to Freud's insights into our 'death drive'; why De Beauvoir believed the mothering instinct is a myth to why Schopenhauer probably wasn't much fun at parties, these mini meditations will expand your mind (and bend it too).

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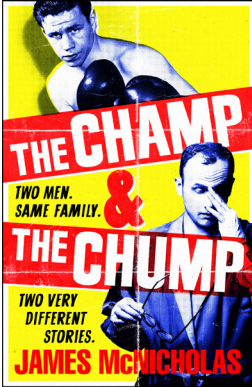
Jonny Thomson is a teacher of philosophy in Oxford. He runs a popular Instagram account and website called *Mini Philosophy*, the result of his conversations with students and a somewhat masochistic obsession with reading dense philosophical works.

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The Champ & The Chump

James McNicholas



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A heart-warming, hilarious true story about fighting and family, based on the acclaimed stage show. For fans of books by Dave Gorman, James Acaster and Danny Wallace, along with boxing tales from the likes of Tyson Fury and Ricky Hatton.

The Champ

Terry Downes - known as 'The Paddington Express' - was a rough and ready boxer, US Marine, gangsters' favourite and world champ, defeating fearsome fighters like the great Sugar Ray Robinson. At the time of his death in 2017, he was Britain's oldest living world champion.

The Chump

James McNicholas's school PE teacher once told him he was so unfit he'd be dead by the time he was 23. James has spent his life pursuing a career in acting. In reality, that has meant spells working as a painter-decorator, wine merchant and salesperson for Viking River Cruises.

After Terry's death, James decides to retrace his grandad's footsteps to see just how it is that two people so close could be so different. It is a journey that takes James from London to Baltimore, to army bootcamp and a brutal boxing regime. And when James is diagnosed with a neurological disorder, the symptoms of which replicate those of concussion, the two stories suddenly collide.

James McNicholas is a stand-up comedian, sketch show member, and actor, best known as one of the stars and writers on the BBC's BAFTA-winning *Horrible Histories*. He is also a sports journalist who has written about it for *ESPN*, *CNN*, *The Mirror*, *FourFourTwo* magazine, and he is currently a staff writer for *The Athletic*.



James is the grandson of Terry Downes, who became world middleweight champion in 1961. In August 2019, James took his one-man show 'The Boxer' to the Edinburgh Fringe. It was a dramatisation of his grandfather's story, interspersed with stand-up comedy. The run was a total sell-out and a critical success, and was named in *The Guardian's* Top 10 comedy shows of 2019.

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Hot Mess

Matt Winning



For fans of Randall Munro's *What If?* Matt Parker's *Humble Pi* and anyone looking for practical tips on how to stop the end of the world!

Dr Matt Winning is a stand-up comedian and environmental economist with a PHD in climate change policy, which means he's the sort of doctor who will rush to your side if you fall ill on a plane, but only to berate you for flying.

We are currently facing a global climate emergency. You've probably noticed. But why does the end of the world need to be so depressing? *HOT MESS* aims to both lighten the mood and enlighten readers on climate change. This is a book for people who care about climate change but aren't doing much about it, helping readers understand what the main causes of climate change are, what changes are needed, and what they can (and cannot) do about it.

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But, most importantly, it is book that'll help people find the comedy in climate change, because if we can do that, well, we can do bloody anything.



Dr Matt Winning is a London-based Scottish comedian and environmental economist who performs live climate change comedy, hosts the podcast 'Operation Earth' and has a TEDx talk about the importance of using humour to discuss climate change.

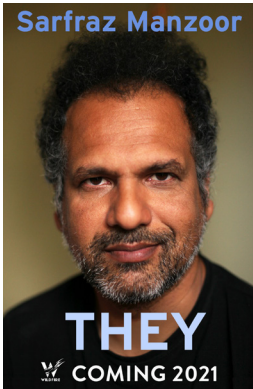
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They

Hope and Fears – a personal journey around Muslim Britain

Sarfraz Manzoor



A powerful and deeply personal exploration of a divided country - and a radical vision for change.

Britain is divided. In the last ten years there has been a rise both in Islamist radicalism and far-right extremism. Across Europe, anti-Muslim attitudes have moved from the fringe towards near-acceptability, evidenced in this country by the comments from Boris Johnson on the niqab and the journey of Tommy Robinson from football thug to advisor to UKIP. The narrative from both hard-line Muslims and the far right is the same: Muslims and non-Muslims cannot and should not live together, because *they* are not *us*.

In *They*, acclaimed writer Sarfraz Manzoor will confront head-on what critics say about Muslims and will explore, through nine major themes, whether their accusations have any credence. Visiting the towns and cities in Britain most notorious for race riots, segregation, jihadism and child sex exploitation, Sarfraz will talk with those who we usually don't hear from - the lived experiences of radicalism, forced marriage and sexual exploitation - and will search for the people and stories that offer a glimpse of hope that things can change for the better.

Personal, controversial and enduringly hopeful, *They* will offer a fresh vision of how to build a more united kingdom, tackling head-on as it does many of the most pressing issues of our age.

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Sarfraz Manzoor is a journalist, author and broadcaster. He has written and presented documentaries for BBC radio and television, and is a regular columnist for the *Guardian*, *the Sunday Times Magazine* and *The Times*. His first book, *Greetings from Bury Park*, was published to critical acclaim. In 2019, it was adapted for the big screen and released around the world under the name *Blinded by the Light*.

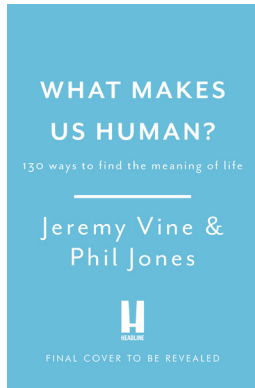
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What Makes Us Human?

130 ways to find the meaning of life

Jeremy Vine and Phil Jones



A dazzling insight into what gives meaning to our life and to us as a species.

What makes us human? From Professor Brian Cox on the particles of dust that make us, to Caitlin Moran on the joy of Friday nights, and A C Grayling on how we express ourselves through culture: this illuminating book shares over 100 mind-expanding answers to that question.

We all want to understand our place in the universe and find a sense of purpose in the life. This book will help the reader navigate that journey with the help of leading names from the worlds of literature, history, philosophy, politics, sport, comedy and popular culture.

Originally broadcast as a popular feature on the Jeremy Vine Show, *What Makes Us Human?* includes short essays from: Andrew Marr, Carlo Rovelli, Justin Welby, Marian Keyes, Alain de Botton, Robert Webb, Richard Dawkins, Stephen Fry, and many more.

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Jeremy Vine presents a weekday show on Radio 2, radio's most popular news programme. He also presents Jeremy Vine on Channel 5, a daily current affairs show, and fronts Eggheads, one of the longest running quiz shows in British TV history. He lives in Chiswick.

Phil Jones, born in 1958 in Wimbledon, is one of the BBC's longest-serving editors. He has worked on The Jeremy Vine Show (and its predecessor The Jimmy Young Show) for 30 years, and thought up the *What Makes Us Human?* feature when he was cycling back from a party while drunk.

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The Late Train to Gipsy Hill

Alan Johnson



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An implicitly British and extremely warm-hearted debut thriller from memoirist and politician Alan Johnson, perfect for fans of Richard Osman and Graham Norton.

Gary Nelson has a routine for the commute to his rather dull job in the city. Each day he watches, transfixed, as a beautiful woman in his train carriage applies her make up in a ritual he has come to know by heart. He's never plucked up the courage to strike up a conversation . . . but maybe one day, maybe.

Then one evening, on the late train to Gipsy Hill, the woman who had so beguiled him for so long, beckons him over with a warm smile. Fiddling with her mascara, she holds up her mirror and Gary reads the words 'HELP ME' scrawled in sticky black letters on the glass.

From that point onwards, Gary's life is turned on its head. In a far cry from his usually unexciting life he finds himself on the run from the Russian mafia, the FSB and even the MET - all because this young woman may have witnessed an assassination of a shadowy Russian oligarch in a London Hotel.

In the race to find out the truth Gary discovers that there is a lot more to this mysterious young woman than meets the eye . . .

Praise for Alan's writing:

'Charming' *Mail on Sunday*

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

'Johnson writes wonderfully' *Telegraph*

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



Alan Johnson's childhood memoir *This Boy* as 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. Alan was a Labour MP for 20 years before retiring ahead of the 2017 general election. He served in five cabinet positions in the Governments of Tony Blair and Gordon Brown including Education Secretary, Health Secretary and Home Secretary. He and his wife Carolyn live in East Yorkshire.

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The Orchard Girls

Nikola Scott



London, 2004. Growing up, Frankie didn't always have it easy. But her life is firmly back on track these days and the memory of the painful rift with her beloved grandmother slowly fading. It's not until their paths cross again, however, that Frankie realises the past is far from over. And more: that her grandmother harbours a devastating secret that could tear both of their lives apart.

Somerset, 1940. When seventeen-year-old Violet's life is devastated by the London Blitz, she runs away to join the Women's Land Army, wanting nothing more than to leave her grief behind. But as well as the terror of enemy air raids, the land girls at Winterbourne Orchards face a powerful enemy closer to home. Before long, their friendship and courage will be put to the test, on a night that must be kept secret for ever . . .

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From Shetland With Love at Christmas

Erin Green



Friendship can be the greatest gift you'll ever give...

Verity is embarking on a better-late-than-never gap year now that her sons have flown the nest, and dreams of turning a lifetime's hobby of knitting and crocheting into a profitable new enterprise at Lerwick Manor's gallery.

Nessie has returned to Shetland after two years spent retraining as a blacksmith on the Scottish mainland. She's determined to do whatever it takes to reignite the traditional craft and prove that gender is no obstacle taking on her family's heritage.

Isla is fresh out of catering college, but she is desperate to prove she has what it takes to run Lerwick Manor's artisan café. Focused on perfecting her grandmother's traditional recipes, Isla has no time for anything else - especially not her pesky ex.

With the island's Yule Day celebration fast approaching, it's the ideal moment for their crafts to shine. But they can't do it alone - and their friendship might turn out to be their greatest creation yet...

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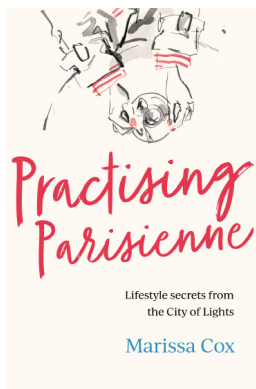
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Practising Parisienne

Marissa Cox



To be Parisian is to have a certain attitude and outlook on life. In *Practising Parisienne*, British journalist and blogger Marissa Cox decodes this seemingly nebulous *je ne sais quoi*, explaining what she has learned since moving to France seven years ago, and how and why the reader can and should adopt a more Parisian lifestyle.

Covering everything from style and fashion, beauty and wellbeing, interiors and home life, work and careers as well as love and friendship, each section also contains interviews with well-known Parisians who inspire us to live better.

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Marissa Cox is a Paris-based journalist, writer, photographer and founder of lifestyle blog *Rue Rodier*. She moved to Paris seven years ago, initially for a relationship, but now calls the city of light home.

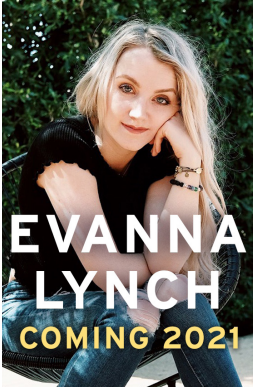
She has a background in journalism and PR in publishing from working at Hodder & Stoughton and Cornerstone and as a Product Writer for Net-A-Porter.

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Untitled

Evanna Lynch



Gradually, I began to feel this dawning awareness that womanhood was coming for me, that it was looming inevitably, and it didn't feel safe... While those around me tried to expedite it, simulate it, exacerbate it, I tried to strangle it with swift, determined efficiency; I stopped eating.

In this profound and honest memoir, actress and activist Evanna Lynch confronts the conflict at the very core of her being: an eternal war between reaching towards perfection and fearless creativity. She has long been viewed as a role model to those recovering from anorexia and the story of her casting as Luna Lovegood in the Harry Potter films has reached almost mythic proportions. Here, she confronts all the complexities and contradictions within herself and unearths her greatest fear: womanhood.

Raw and compelling, this book showcases a startlingly accomplished new voice examining the very heart of a woman's relationship with her own body. Refusing to let the darkness of her eating disorder overwhelm her, Evanna chooses the path of creativity and dreaming over one of self-flagellation and the empty pursuit of perfection. She dissolves the grey space between self-loathing and self-love and reaches towards acceptance of the bloody, sensual and messy glory that is the female body. This is a story of learning how to be unafraid to fail, and how that act of courage is the most creatively liberating thing a woman can do.

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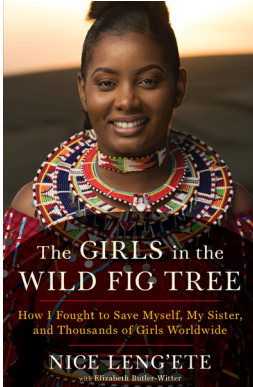
Evanna Lynch earned the love of millions of fans around the world through her talented portrayal of the quirky misfit Luna Lovegood in the Harry Potter films. As an actress and a vegan activist, Evanna continues to speak out on the importance of empathy and kindness and is a powerful new literary voice.

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The Girls in the Wild Fig Tree

Nice Leng'ete



COVER NOT FINAL

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An inspirational story of one girl who changed the minds of her elders, reformed traditions from the inside, and is creating a better future for girls and women throughout Africa.

Born in a remote village in Kenya, Nice Leng'ete saw the young girls she grew up with receive the cut, the rite of passage into female adulthood in Masai culture. Every girl got the cut, and once you did, you'd be married off to a man triple your age. You might be his second or third wife. You'd have children in your teens.

This is exactly what happened to Nice's sister. To resist the cut meant becoming an outcast in Masai culture. Yet Nice managed to avoid it and stay in school. It was not an easy time. She was shunned. At the age of 21, Nice moved to Nairobi to work for Amref Health Africa, an organization spearheading the campaign against Female Genital Mutilation. Though she was still considered an outcast in her village - even an entapai (someone who brought shame to her family) - young girls began to look up to Nice. They saw the life they could have, not the one chosen for them.

Eventually, thanks to a combination of incredible instincts, excellent training and leading by example, Nice Leng'ete developed a platform for convincing women across Africa to forego the cut. First, she won over her village elders. It spread from there. Kenya outlawed the cut in 2011, and the Masai people abandoned it in 2014.

To date, Nice and Amref Health Africa have collaborated to help more than 16,000 girls avoid FGM in Kenya and Tanzania.

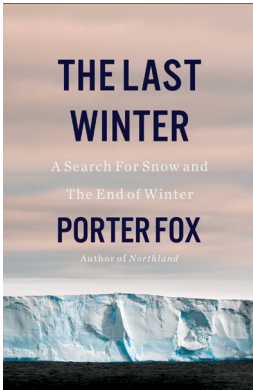
Nice Nailantei Leng'ete grew up in the village of Noomayianat, at the foot of Mount Kilimanjaro in Kenya. After her parents both died within a year of each other in 1998, Nice was sent to live with her uncle. At the age of eight, she avoided being subjected to FGM by running away from home, multiple times. She attended college in Nairobi before joining Amref, where she is now a Health Africa Project Officer and continues to challenge the attitudes of her male-dominated tribe in her quest to end FGM. Since 2009, Nice and Amref Health Africa have helped more than 16,000 girls avoid female genital mutilation/cutting in Kenya and Tanzania.

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The Last Winter

Porter Fox



As the planet warms due to greenhouse gas emissions, winter as we know it is disappearing. In the last fifty years, the Northern Hemisphere lost a million square miles of spring snowpack and in the US alone, snow cover has been reduced by 15-30%. On average, winter has shrunk by a month in most northern latitudes.

In this deeply researched and adventure-filled book, journalist Porter Fox travels along the edge of the Northern Hemisphere's snow line to track the scope of this drastic change, and ultimately, predict what the future of winter-or lack thereof-will look like.

This original research will be animated by five harrowing and illuminating journeys- each grounded by interviews with idiosyncratic, charismatic experts in their respective fields and Fox's own narrative of growing up on a remote island in Northern Maine.

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Timely, atmospheric, and expertly investigated, *The Last Winter* will showcase like never before the true cost of climate change.



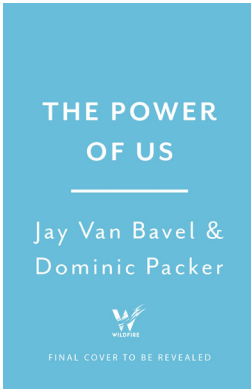
Porter Fox was born in New York and raised on the coast of Maine. His book *Northland: A 4,000-Mile Journey Along America's Forgotten Border* was published by W.W. Norton July 3, 2018. He lives, writes, teaches and edits the award-winning literary travel writing journal *Nowherein* Brooklyn. His work has been widely published in a range of sources and in 2021 he won a Western Press Association award for a two-part feature about climate change and a Lowell Thomas Award for an excerpt from *Northland*. In 2013 he published *DEEP: The Story of Skiing and the Future of Snow*. The book was featured on the cover of *The New York Times Sunday Review* and in both the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives.

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The Power of Us

Jay Van Bavel and Dominic Packer



If you're like most people, you probably believe that your identity is stable. But in fact, your identity is constantly changing - often outside your conscious awareness and sometimes even against your wishes - to reflect the interests of the groups of which you're a part. And that fluid identity has a powerful influence over your feelings, beliefs, and behaviours.

In *The Power of Us*, psychologists Dominic Packer and Jay Van Bavel integrate their own cutting-edge research in psychology, neuroscience and economics to explain what identity really is and show how to harness its dynamic nature to:

- Increase our productivity
- Improve physical and psychological health
- Overcome our individual prejudice
- Unlock our altruism
- Break the political gridlock
- Galvanize others to solve controversial but persistent global problems.

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Along the way, they explain such seemingly unrelated phenomenon as why men cry at football games but not funerals, why the history of slavery in U.S. counties is one of the best predictors of current day racism, and why Canada keeps a national reserve of maple syrup. Packed with fascinating insights, vivid case studies, and a wealth of pioneering research, *The Power of Us* will change the way you understand yourself - and the people around you - forever.

Dominic Packer is a Professor of Psychology at Lehigh University, and the Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Programs in Arts & Sciences. Much of his research investigates how and why people decide to dissent from their groups, as well as to cooperate with members of other groups. Dr. Packer's writing has appeared in *Scientific American Mind*, *the Washington Post*, and *Harvard Business Review*, and for a time he had a popular blog entitled "It's a Group Life" at Psychology Today.

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Jay Van Bavel is an Associate Professor of Psychology and Neural Science at New York University and is affiliated with Management and Organizations in the STERN School of Business. His research draws on everything from neuroscience to social networks to examine how our group identities shape our perceptions and actions. Dr. Van Bavel's writing has appeared in the *New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *Harvard Business Review* and the *Washington Post*. He has given a TEDx talk and appeared on *Through the Wormhole with Morgan Freeman*, as well as *Al Jazeera*, *CBC*, *Bloomberg News*, and *The Wall Street Journal*.

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Big Veg

Gerald Stratford



At a time when many have discovered the joy of growing-your-own veg, Gerald Stratford has become an online star: the gardening grandad with over 200,000 fans on Twitter. With his love for growing big vegetables, funny photos with endearing captions, and gardening tips and know-how, Gerald has gained a loyal following from around the world.

Big Veg is Gerald's charming and accessible veg growing guidebook, written for his fans and for gardening beginners everywhere. It will distill nearly 70 years of gardening tips into one handy guide, including the top 10 veg to get started with and how to grow them; a month-by-month guide to sowing, planting and harvesting; and how and why to 'supersize' your veg.

Just as Gerald's father passed on the gardening bug to him, Gerald is passionate about helping others to discover the joy of growing veg. This book makes the perfect companion, full of gentle encouragement, dry humour and grandfatherly wisdom.

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Gerald lives in the Cotswolds with his partner Liz and dog, Sky. His earliest childhood memories are of helping his dad in the garden and on the allotment, and he now continues to pass that love for gardening on to his children, grandchildren, and thousands of online followers.

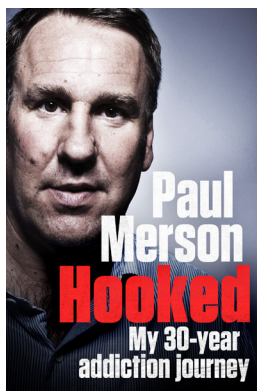
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Hooked

My 30-Year Addiction Journey

Paul Merson



Paul Merson's wonderfully moving and brutally honest memoir of battling addiction for three decades.

For twenty-one years Paul Merson played professional football. He won two First Division titles with Arsenal and was one of the finest players of his generation.

But for thirty years Paul Merson has also been an addict. Alcohol, drugs, gambling: a desperately unenviable cocktail of addictions and depression which has plagued his entire adult life and driven him to the verge of suicide.

Until recently the drinking and gambling were still raging. *'I wanted to kill myself. I couldn't go on anymore. I just couldn't see a way out.'* Then something clicked. *'One day, I was walking home from the pub late on a Sunday evening, and I thought to myself: I've had enough of feeling like this, every day of my life. I rang up Alcoholics Anonymous the next day, and since then I haven't had a drink.'*

Hooked is Merson's wonderfully moving and brutally honest memoir of battling addiction, searingly charting his journey over three decades. It is absolutely unflinching in detailing his emotional and psychological troughs and in raking over the painful embers of an adult life blighted by such debilitating issues. *Hooked* will kick-start a crucial national conversation about addiction, depression and the damage they wreak.

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Paul Merson was born in Harlesden in March 1968. He made his debut for Arsenal in 1986, and in a 12-year stint at Highbury he won the First Division twice, the FA Cup, the League Cup and the European Cup Winners' Cup. He also won 21 caps for England. He went on to play for Middlesbrough, Aston Villa and Portsmouth, as well as Walsall - where he was also manager.

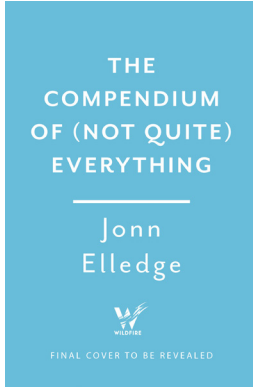
Following retirement in 2006, Merson has become a high-profile football pundit for Sky Sports. He is a long-serving member of the team on Soccer Saturday, the iconic results show, and also writes a regular column for the *Daily Star* newspaper.

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The Compendium of (Not Quite) Everything

Jon Elledge



The Compendium of (Not Quite) Everything is a treasure trove of random knowledge. Covering everything from the furthest known galaxies to the murky origins of oyster ice cream, inside you will find a discussion of how one might determine the most average-sized country in the world; details of humanity's most ridiculous wars; and, at last, the answer to who would win in a fight between Harry Potter and Spider-Man.

Bizarre, brilliant and filled with the unexpected, *The Compendium* covers the breadth and depth of human experience, weaving its way through words and numbers, science and the arts, the spiritual and the secular. It's a feast of facts for a hungry mind.

Includes entries on the cosmos, the human planet, questions of measurement, history/politics, the natural world, leisure and many 'oddities' that don't fit elsewhere...

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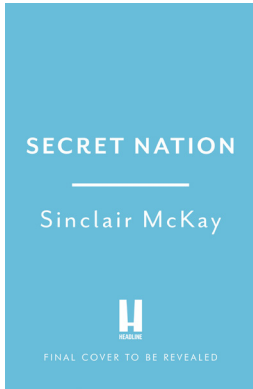
Jon Elledge is a freelance journalist, writing for titles including the *Guardian*, *Wired* and *Politics.co.uk*, and contributing a weekly column to the *New Statesman*. He was previously an assistant editor at the *New Statesman*, where he was responsible for launching and editing the urbanism site *CityMetric*, hosting the *Skylines* podcast and writing a lot of angry columns about the housing crisis.

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Secret Nation

Sinclair McKay



From the outset of the Second World War, most of Britain felt like a mystery even to those who lived there. All road and railway signs were removed up and down the country to thwart potential enemy spies. An invisible web of cunning spread across the United Kingdom; secret laboratories were hidden in marshes, underground bases were built to conceal key strategic plans and grand country houses became secret and silent locations for eccentric boffins to do their confidential cryptography work.

In *Secret Nation*, Sinclair McKay maps out Second World War Britain through the hidden spots where you may not be aware that the war was fought. Journeying through secret wildernesses, secret suburbs, secret underground tunnels and bases and secret manor houses, Sinclair gives a glimpse into the stories so long hidden and shows how you might go and visit these places yourself.

In his trademark warmth and compassion, Sinclair unearths the truths of the war under the layers of secrecy that have pervaded since the war was won in 1945.

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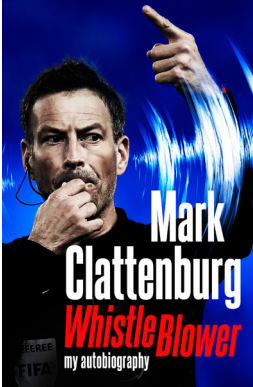
Sinclair McKay is the author of the *Sunday Times* bestseller *Bletchley Park Brainteasers* as well as the bestselling *Secret Life of Bletchley Park*. He writes for the *Spectator* and the *Telegraph* and spends much of his life eyebrow-deep in dusty archives! He lives in east London.

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Whistle Blower

Mark Clattenburg



The outspoken and hard-hitting autobiography of one of the most highly-rated, recognisable and controversial football referees of modern times.

Mark Clattenburg found himself in the centre circle, whistle in hand, at the start of 450 Premier League matches during a highly eventful 13-year career in football's top flight.

He has shaken hands with, issued red and yellow cards to, and been sworn at by hundreds of players. He has been screamed at and shared jokes with dozens and dozens of managers. And he's felt the wrath of thousands upon thousands of irate fans.

His autobiography is the ultimate guide to what it's really like to be in the referee's spotlight. It offers numerous intriguing insights into the daily trials and tribulations, the acute stresses and strains, of a top-flight referee. Clattenburg takes the reader into the referee's room, the players' tunnel and out on the pitch to experience precisely what a referee goes through on match day.

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Born in County Durham in 1975, **Mark Clattenburg** is one of the most highly-rated and recognisable football referees of modern times.

He started officiating in the Premier League in 2004 and over the course of the next thirteen season he took charge of an astonishing 450 games in the top flight.

During his career he refereed the 2012 League Cup final and Olympic Men's final, and in 2016 the finals of the FA Cup, the Champions League and the European Championships.

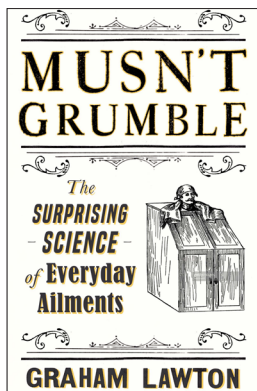
In 2017 Clattenburg left the UK to take up a role as Head of Refereeing for the Saudi Arabian Football Federation, and in 2019 he became a referee for the Chinese Football Association.

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Musn't Grumble

The Surprising Science of Everyday Ailments
Graham Lawton



A fascinating and insightful book about the multitude of minor ailments that humans live with every day of the year, and what we can learn about them.

One of the many strange effects of the 2020 pandemic has been to make us much more vigilant about the state of our health in general and about minor symptoms in particular. And this, in turn, has made us more conscious that we all feel slightly out of sorts a great deal of the time; maybe even every day.

This book is not about what happens when we're ill with something sufficiently serious to send us to the doctor or confine us to bed. Instead, it focuses on the multitude of mild, irksome, distracting illnesses, aches and pains that we all put up with constantly.

Covering 120 ailments, Graham explains the latest scientific thinking about everything from blackheads to chilblains; dead legs to haemorrhoids; ear wax to hiccups; and hay fever to heat stroke. It's a mixture of science and history, with a light touch, and provides practical information about each ailment for the reader.

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Always, in December

Emily Stone



Heartbreaking. Life-affirming. Truly unforgettable. *Always, in December* is the timeless, stay-up-all-night love story you'll take straight to your heart.

If you loved *One Day*, *Me Before You* and the hit movie *Last Christmas*, this is the perfect book for you.

Every December, Josie posts a letter to the parents she lost one Christmas night, many years ago. She always writes the same three words: Missing you, always.

When Josie accidentally collides with a stranger, Max, at the postbox, she is unaware that Max has his own reasons for trying to avoid the season... or that their chance encounter is set to alter both their lives - and their hearts - in the most unexpected and beautiful of ways...

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Set in London, Manhattan, Edinburgh and the gorgeous English countryside, *Always, in December* is the love story everyone will be talking about this year.



Emily Stone lives and works in Chepstow and wrote *Always, in December* in an old Victorian manor house with an impressive literary heritage. Her debut novel was partly inspired by the death of her mother, when Emily was seven, and wanting to write something that reflected the fact that you carry this grief into adulthood, long after you supposedly move on from the event itself.

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The Midwife's Secret

Emily Gunnis



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A little girl goes missing from Yew Tree Manor - the same house from which a girl vanished decades before. Does the key to the present lie buried even deeper in the past, in the forgotten history of an innocent midwife accused by a family of shocking betrayal? A gripping, heartwrenching story of love, loyalty and family secrets.

From the internationally bestselling author of *The Girl in the Letter* and *The Lost Child*.

When six-year-old Alice Hilton goes missing in the snow on New Year's Eve 1969 from Yew Tree Manor, suspicion immediately falls on local man Alf Simms. Simms had a grievance against Alice's father, wealthy Richard Hilton, and he is arrested, tried and found guilty for Alice's death. Tragically the child is never found.

Decades later, Willow Simms, an architect working on a development at Yew Tree Manor, discovers that the land surrounding the house is holding a secret. And when another little girl goes missing from Yew Tree, Willow realises the key to her disappearance lies in the history of the house, and the two families attached to it. A terrible wrong needs to be made right...and to uncover it, Willow must unravel events from long ago, when in 1919 a court sentenced a midwife to death, for a shocking crime that happened at Yew Tree Manor...



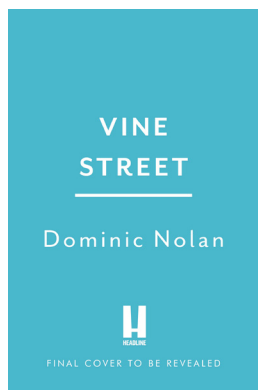
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Vine Street

Dominic Nolan



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SOHO, 1936.

Meet Sergeant Leon Geats, a door-kicking, head-breaking misanthrope who marshals the grimy rabble according to his own elastic moral code.

The damp streets are lousy with jazz bars, bookies, blackshirts, ponces and tarts so when a young woman is found dead, the Flying Squad are content to dismiss the case as just another brass who topped herself.

But Geats - a good man prepared to be a bad one if it keeps the worst of them at bay - suspects darker forces at play. Dedicating himself to finding a sadistic killer, Geats doesn't realise he's made a decision that will reverberate for a lifetime - and transform him in ways he could never expect.

Praise for Dominic Nolan:

'A dark tale that suggests Nolan is set to become Britain's Michael Connelly' Daily Mail

'A great story told with real poise' Simon Kernick, Sunday Times bestseller

'Crime as it should be written...gripping, addictive, a thrill of a ride.' Jo Spain, international bestseller

'A beautifully written debut... this is a moving story, poignantly told.' Daily Mail

'This powerhouse novel is not for the fragile-hearted...one hell of a debut' Heat

'A smart, distinctive debut' Sunday Mirror



Dominic Nolan was born and raised in London. He graduated with first class honours from the writing programme at London Met and his fiction has featured in several periodicals. He has published and contributed to various books on film and television including *1001 Comics You Must Read Before you Die*; *1001 Movies You Must See Before You Die* and *The Greatest Movies You'll Never See: Unseen Masterpieces By the World's Greatest Directors*.

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Supersonic

The Complete, Authorised and Unabridged Interviews

Oasis



'We are the biggest band in Britain of all time, ever. The funny thing is, all that fucking mouthing off three years ago about how we were going to be the biggest band in the world - we actually went and did it.' Noel Gallagher

Oasis are one of the biggest bands the world has ever seen. Here, in *Supersonic*, they tell the story of their beginnings from dive-bar hopefuls to global superstars. They themselves talk us through the pivotal moments in their phenomenal trajectory, from the day Noel Gallagher joined his brother Liam's band, through their first crucial five years culminating at their landmark gigs at Knebworth Park in 1996 - the pinnacle of their success.

With over thirty hours of interviews with Liam, Noel and those closest to them, this book documents in unprecedented depth and with their trademark candour and humour, the story behind one of the world's greatest bands, all told in their own words and fully illustrated with exclusive photographs and ephemera throughout.

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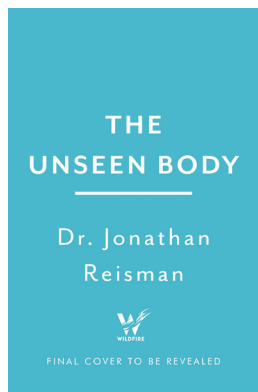


Oasis formed in Manchester in 1991 and would go on to define the sound of the 1990s and the Britpop era. In the eighteen years that the group were together, band members came and went but Liam and Noel Gallagher remained the notorious sibling duo at the heart of it all. (What's the Story) Morning Glory, their 1995 album spent ten weeks at the top of the British charts and remains one of the best-selling albums of all time. To date they have sold over 78 million albums around the world.

The Unseen Body

A Doctor's Journey Through the Hidden Wonders of Human Anatomy

Dr Jonathan Reisman



In his beautifully written prose, Dr Jonathan Reisman - physician, adventure traveller and naturalist - allows readers to navigate their insides like an explorer discovering a new world.

Through his offbeat adventures in healthcare and travel, Reisman discovers new perspectives on the body: a trip to the Alaskan Arctic reveals that fat is not the enemy, but the hero; a stint in the Himalayas uncovers the boundary where the brain ends and the mind begins; and eating a sheep's head in Iceland offers a lesson in empathy. By relating his experiences in far-flung lands and among unique cultures back to the body's inner workings, he shows how our organs live inextricably intertwined lives in an internal ecosystem that reflects the natural world around us.

Reisman's unique perspective on the natural world and his expert wielding of wit ultimately helps us make sense of our lives, our bodies and our world in a way readers have never before imagined.

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Saving Time

Jodi Taylor



From the bestselling author of *The Chronicle of St Mary's*.

The further antics of Luke, Jane and Matthew.

Aka Team Weird.

Aka the three most unlikely recruits ever to join the Time Police.

FOR FANS OF DOCTOR WHO, BEN AARONOVITCH AND JASPER FFORDE.

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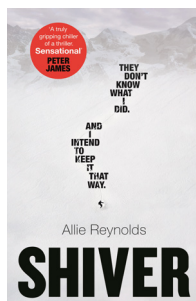
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Shiver

Allie Reynolds



They don't know what I did. And I intend to keep it that way.

When Milla is invited to a reunion in the French Alps resort that saw the peak of her snowboarding career, she drops everything to go. While she would rather forget the events of that winter, the invitation comes from Curtis, the one person she can't seem to let go.

The five friends haven't seen each other for ten years, since the disappearance of the beautiful and enigmatic Saskia. But when an icebreaker game turns menacing, they realise they don't know who has really gathered them there and how far they will go to find the truth. In a deserted lodge high up a mountain, the secrets of the past are about to come to light.

'Shiver is a tour-de-force, a truly gripping chiller of a thriller, genuinely impossible to put down and a sensational debut' Peter James

'Buckle up – this chilling thriller will have you feeling like you're hurtling down a black run. An unforgettable debut' *Woman & Home*

A white knuckle ride through a dangerous world full of deadly ambition' Erin Kelly
 'A nail-biting, wintry thriller' *Daily Mail*

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The Memory Box

Kathryn Hughes



A heartbreakingly beautiful novel, *The Memory Box* unlocks an unforgettable epic story of love and war, from the million-copy-selling author of *The Letter*. If you adored *The Nightingale*, *The Tuscan Contessa* or *My Name is Eva*, this is the book for you.

Jenny Tanner opens the box she has cherished for decades. Contained within are her most precious mementoes, amongst them a pebble, a carving and a newspaper cutting she can hardly bear to read. But Jenny knows the time is finally here. After the war, in a mountainside village in Italy, she left behind a piece of her heart. However painful, she must return to Cinque Alberi. And lay the past to rest.

After a troubled upbringing, Candice Barnes dreams of a future with the love of her life - but is he the man she believes him to be? When Candice is given the opportunity to travel to Italy with Jenny, she is unaware the trip will open her eyes to the truth she's been too afraid to face. Could a place of goodbyes help her make a brave new beginning?

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Kathryn Hughes was born in Altrincham, near Manchester. For twenty-nine years Kathryn and her husband ran a business together, raised two children and travelled when they could to places such as India, Singapore, South Africa and New Zealand.

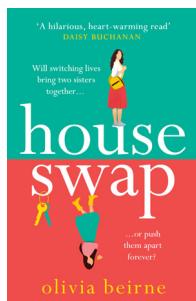
Kathryn has written four bestselling books – *The Letter*, *The Secret*, *The Key* and *Her Last Promise* – all published by Headline. *Her Last Promise* was the winner of Book of the Year in the Prima Big Book Awards 2019.

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House Swap

Olivia Beirne



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'A mesmerising blend of humour and emotion' *Woman & Home*

You can learn a lot about someone when you swap houses. . .

Twins Katy and Rebecca don't know much about each other's lives anymore.

Rebecca thinks that Katy is a high-flying event planner in London, while Katy thinks that Rebecca lives in idyllic marital bliss in the countryside.

Each sister believes the other has created a perfect life - but the truth is that neither twin has the life she pretends she does.

And when these sisters unexpectedly swap houses for a week, they're in for a big shock.

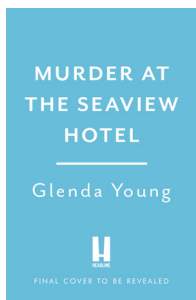
But it might just be the wake-up call they've both been waiting for. . .

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Murder at the Seaview Hotel

Glenda Young



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In the charming Yorkshire seaside town of Scarborough, a murder is nothing to sing about...

After the death of her husband Tom, Helen Dexter is contemplating her future as the now-sole proprietor of the Seaview hotel.

There's an offer from a hotel chain developer to consider, but also a booking from a group of twelve Elvis impersonators, a singing troupe called Twelvis. Tom loved Elvis and for Helen this is a sign that she should stay.

But the series of mysterious events which follow, suggests that the developer is not going to give up easily. Then, shortly after Twelvis arrive, one of the group disappears. His body is found floating in a lake, with his blue suede shoes missing. Could the two be connected?

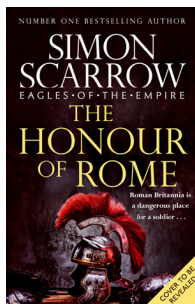
With the reputation of the Seaview on the line, Helen isn't going to wait for the murderer to strike again. With her trusty greyhound Suki by her side, she decides to find out more about her guests and who wanted to make sure this Elvis never sang again.

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The Honour of Rome

Simon Scarrow



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AD 58. BRITANNIA. TENSION IS SIMMERING. DANGER LIES ROUND EVERY CORNER FOR ROME'S BRAVE SOLDIERS ...

Fifteen years after Rome's invasion of Britannia, centurion Marco is back. The island is settled now, bustling with commerce. Macro's goal is to help run his mother's Londinium inn, and exploit his land grant. He's prepared for the dismal weather and the barbaric ways of the people. But far worse dangers threaten all his plans.

A gang led by an ex-legionary rules the city, demanding protection money and terrorising those who won't pay up. The Roman official in charge has turned a blind eye. Macro has to act. He needs the back-up of the finest soldier he knows: Prefect Cato. But Cato is in distant Rome. Or is he?

As the streets run red with blood, the army's heroes face an enemy as merciless and cunning as any barbarian tribe. The honour of Rome is in their hands ...

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Good Cop Bad Cop

Simon Kernick



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Great plots, great characters, great action' Lee Child

'Simon Kernick writes with his foot pressed hard on the pedal' Harlan Coben

From the number one bestseller comes another masterclass in page-turning suspense - an electrifying new thriller you won't be able to forget.

'An absolute master of the adrenaline-fuelled ride' Peter James

'One of Britain's top thriller writers' *The Sun*

'One of the most reliable purveyors of the edge-of-your-seat thriller . . . gives a more powerful adrenaline rush than an EpiPen' *Sunday Express*

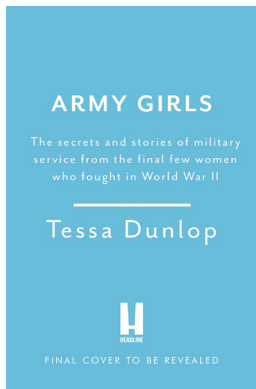
'Pace, pace, pace is what Simon Kernick does best' *Daily Mirror*

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Army Girls

Tessa Dunlop



For fans of *Century Girls* comes a new book by Tessa Dunlop.

Army Girls tells the unique and compelling story of the women who lived and fought during the Second World War. It is a celebration of the phenomenal achievements of women who gave everything to their country and joined the armed forces at the outbreak of war. At long last, the story of their service will be heard, interwoven with events and precious moments from 1939-45.

Army Girls is the chance to hear the incredible true stories from some of the very last living female veterans of the conflict, who capture a pivotal moment in British history from a woman's perspective.

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Tempted By the Runes

Christina Courtenay



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Brimming with romance, adventure and vivid historical detail, Christina Courtenay does for the Vikings what Diana Gabaldon's *Outlander* and *Clanlans* does for Scottish history. This thrilling and epic novel is perfect for fans of Barbara Erskine.

Praise for Christina's *Echoes of the Runes* and *The Runes of Destiny*:

'Seals Christina Courtenay's crown as the Queen of Viking Romance' Catherine Miller

'An absorbing story, fast-paced and vividly imagined, which really brought the Viking world to life' Pamela Hartshorne

Christina Courtenay is an award-winning author of historical romance and time slip (dual time) stories. Christina is half Swedish and grew up in that country. She has also lived in Japan and Switzerland, but is now based in Herefordshire, close to the Welsh border.

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Green One Pound Meals

Over 80 recipes that are good for you and good for the planet

Miguel Barclay



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EATING BETTER ON A BUDGET

The One Pound Chef is back and this time he's on a mission to make our lives a little bit 'greener'.

Whether you eat meat or follow a vegetarian or vegan diet, we all now recognise the importance of doing our bit to help the planet. In *Green One Pound Meals*, Miguel brings his no-nonsense approach and shows you how to eat more consciously, with delicious, planet-friendly, healthy food on a budget.

The book is packed with plenty of veggie and vegan recipes, along with some meat and fish dishes for those days when you might want something different. Miguel wants us all to be more aware of the food we eat: where it comes from, whether it is in season and is it good for you? He includes lots of tips and ideas for shopping smart, timing-saving hacks and how to avoid food waste. Why not switch things around and try 'Meat Mondays' and enjoy plant-based, nourishing meals during the rest of the week?

Miguel will show you that you that these quick, easy and nutritious meals don't have to cost you the earth and can help you do your bit towards helping the planet.

Minimum fuss, maximum flavour and all for £1 per person.



Miguel Barclay loves thinking about recipes. After spending years working in restaurant kitchens in his spare time, he took the professional skills he learned there to deconstruct recipes, obsessively testing and experimenting to work out the core ingredients of classic dishes. Miguel has appeared on *BBC News*, *ITV News* and *This Morning* demoing his recipes, and he believes in a stress-free, maximum flavour philosophy.

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