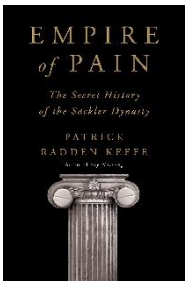


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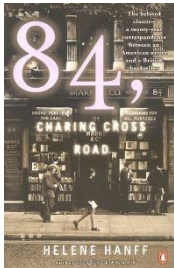


Empire of Pain: The Secret History of the Sackler Dynasty

Patrick Radden Keefe

published 2021

The Sackler name adorns the walls of many institutions: Harvard, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, Oxford, the Louvre. The source of the family fortune was vague until it emerged that the Sacklers were responsible for making and marketing OxyContin, a painkiller that was a catalyst for the opioid crisis. *Empire of Pain* is a masterpiece of narrative reporting and writing, exhaustively documented and ferociously compelling.



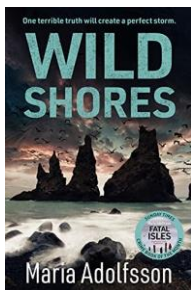
84, Charing Cross Road

Helene Hanff

published 1970

This charming classic brings together twenty years of correspondence between Helene Hanff, a freelance writer living in New York City, and a used-book dealer in London. Through the years, though never meeting and separated both geographically and culturally, they share a winsome, sentimental friendship based on their common love for books.

FICTION



Doggerland #2

Wild Shores

Maria Adolfsson

published 2019

Detective Inspector Karen Eiken Hornby is one of the few female police officers on the remote island nation of Doggerland, situated in the North Sea between the UK and Denmark. When a man's body is discovered in a flooded quarry on Noorö there are questions surrounding his death. With illness and overseas holidays preventing any of her colleagues from attending, Karen has no choice but to head north to investigate.

WET PAINT



Wet Paint

Chloë Ashby

published 2022

Since the death of her friend Grace, twenty-six-year-old Eve has learned to keep everyone at arm's length. But when a chance encounter at work brings her past thundering into her present, Eve becomes consumed by painful memories of Grace. When her self-destructive urges spiral out of control, she's forced to confront the traumatic event that changed the course of her life, and to finally face her grief and guilt.

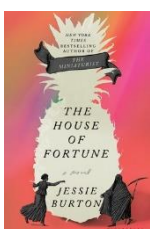


Trailerpark

Russell Banks

published 1981

In this series of related short stories, Russell Banks offers gripping, realistic portrayals of individual Americans and paints a portrait of New England life that is at once dark, witty and revealing.



The Miniaturist #2

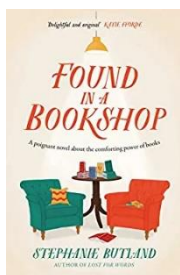
The House of Fortune

Jessie Burton

pub. 2022

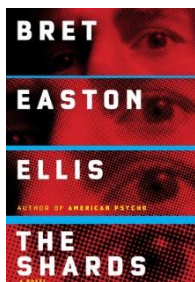
In 1705 Amsterdam, Thea Brandt is coming of age, trying to grapple with her family's secrets and her own identity as a young Dutch-African woman. She's drawn to the theater and an artistic life, but with her family in serious financial decline, pressure is on Thea to marry up in society.

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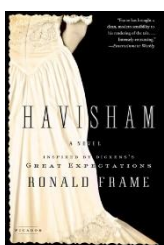
Lost For Words #2 Found in a Bookshop **Stephanie Butland** *pub.2023*

Loveday Cardew's beloved Lost for Words bookshop, along with the rest of York, has fallen quiet. At the very time when people most need books to widen their horizons, or escape from their fears, or enhance their lives, the doors are closed. Then the first letter comes. Suddenly it's clear to Loveday that she and her team can do something useful in a crisis. They can recommend books to help with the situations their customers find themselves in: fear, boredom, loneliness, the desire for laughter and escape.



The Shards **Bret Easton Ellis** *published 2023*

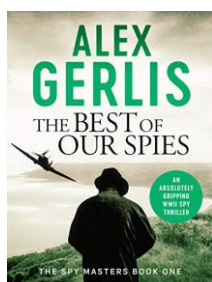
Bret Easton Ellis's masterful new novel is a story about the end of innocence, and the perilous passage from adolescence into adulthood, set in a vibrantly fictionalized Los Angeles in 1981 as a serial killer begins targeting teenagers throughout the city.



Havisham: A Novel Inspired by Dickens's Great Expectations

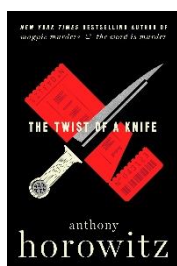
Ronald Frame *published 2012*

Ronald Frame unfurls the psychological trauma that made young Catherine into Miss Havisham and cursed her to a life alone, roaming the halls of the mansion in the tatters of the dress she wore for the wedding she was never to have.



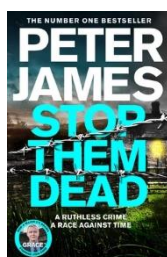
Spy Masters #1 The Best of Our Spies **Alex Gerlis** *published 2012*

The Allies have landed, the liberation of Europe has begun. In the Pas de Calais, Nathalie Mercier, a young British Special Operations Executive secret agent working with the French Resistance, disappears. In London, her husband Owen Quinn, an officer with Royal Navy Intelligence, discovers the truth about her role in the Allies' sophisticated deception at the heart of D-Day (based on real events of the Second World War).



Hawthorne & Horowitz #4 The Twist of a Knife **Anthony Horowitz** *published 2022*

In Anthony Horowitz's ingenious fourth literary whodunit, Horowitz becomes the prime suspect in a murder investigation—and only one man can prove his innocence: his newly estranged partner in solving crime, Detective Hawthorne.

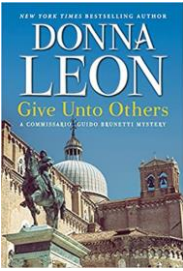


Roy Grace #19 Stop Them Dead **Peter James** *published 2023*

When a young farmer confronts intruders in the middle of the night he has no idea that just minutes later he will be left dying in a pool of blood.

At the scene of the crime, Detective Superintendent Roy Grace soon realises this is no isolated robbery gone wrong but the tip of the iceberg of a nationwide crime wave.

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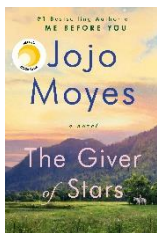
Commissario Brunetti #31 Give Unto Others Donna Leon *published 2022*

Brunetti is approached for a favor by Elisabetta Foscarini, a woman he knows casually, but her mother was good to Brunetti's mother, so he feels obliged to at least look into the matter privately, and not as official police business. Exploring the wobbly line between the criminal and non-criminal, revealing previously untold elements of Brunetti's past, *Give Unto Others* shows that the price of reciprocity can be steep.



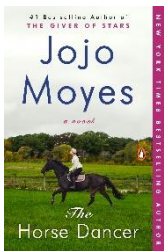
Fredrik Welin #2 After the Fire Henning Mankell

Fredrik Welin is a seventy-year-old retired doctor. Years ago he retreated to the Swedish archipelago, where he lives alone on an island. He swims in the sea every day, cutting a hole in the ice if necessary. He lives a quiet life. Until he wakes up one night to find his house on fire. Tackling love, loss and loneliness, *After the Fire* is Henning Mankell's compelling last novel.



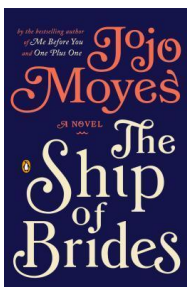
The Giver of Stars Jojo Moyes *published 2019*

From the author of *Me Before You*, set in Depression-era America, a breathtaking story of five extraordinary women and their remarkable journey through the mountains of Kentucky and beyond.



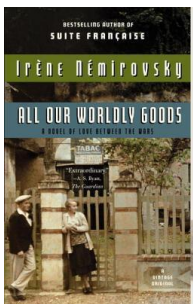
The Horse Dancer Jojo Moyes *published 2009*

A novel about a lost girl and her horse, the enduring strength of friendship, and how even the smallest choices can change everything.



The Ship of Brides Jojo Moyes *published 2005*

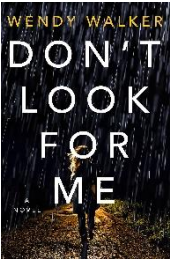
1946. World War II has ended and all over the world, young women are beginning to fulfill the promises made to the men they wed in wartime. In Sydney, Australia, four women join 650 other war brides on an extraordinary voyage to England—aboard HMS *Victoria*, which still carries not just arms and aircraft but a thousand naval officers.



All Our Wordly Goods Irène Némirovsky *published 1947*

In haunting ways, this compelling novel prefigures *Suite Française* and some of the themes of Némirovsky's great unfinished sequence of novels. All *Our Worldly Goods*, though, is complete, and exquisitely so — a perfect novel in its own right. First published in France after the author's death, it is a gripping story of family life and star-crossed lovers, set in France between 1910 and 1940.

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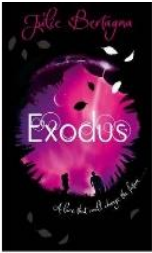


Don't Look for Me **Wendy Walker**

published 2020

One night, Molly Clarke walked away from her life. The car abandoned miles from home. The note found at a nearby hotel. The shattered family that couldn't be put back together. It happens all the time. Women disappear, desperate to leave their lives behind and start over. She doesn't want to be found. Or at least, that's the story. But is that what really happened to Molly Clarke?

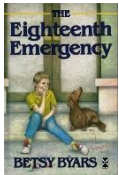
YOUNG READERS



Exodus / Raging Earth #1 Exodus **Julie Bertagna**

published 2003

A startling novel set in a dystopian future ravaged by global warming. It is 2099 - and the world is gradually drowning, as Arctic ice melts, the seas rise and land disappears forever. For fifteen-year-old Mara, her family and community, huddled on the fast-disappearing island of Wing, the new century brings flight. Packed into tiny boats, a terrifying journey begins to a bizarre city that rises into the sky, built on the drowned remains of the ancient city of Glasgow.



The Eighteenth Emergency **Betsy Byars**

published 1973

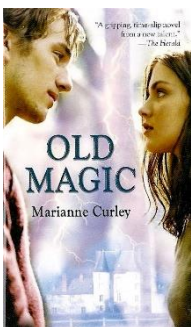
When the toughest boy in school swears to kill him, twelve year-old Mouse finds little help from friends and must prepare for this emergency alone.



Tag **Michael Coleman**

published 1998

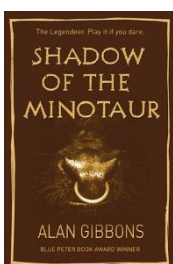
An exciting novel about changing friendships, gang rivalry and inner conflicts, with a roller-coaster ride of a plot.



Old Magic **Marianne Curley**

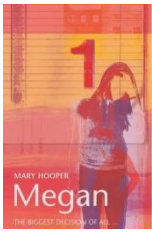
published 2000

Jarrood doesn't believe in the paranormal. When Kate tries to convince him that he has extraordinary powers that need to be harnessed, he only puts up with her "hocus pocus" notions because he finds her captivating. However, the dangerous, uncontrolled strengthening of his gift finally convinces Jarrood that he must take Kate's theories seriously. Together, they embark on a remarkable journey -- one which will unravel the mystery that has haunted Jarrood's family for generations and pit the teens against immense forces in a battle to undo the past and reshape the future.



Legendeer Trilogy #1 Shadow of the Minotaur **Alan Gibbons** *pub .2000*

This is a novel about a boy, Phoenix, the son of a computer geek who creates a virtual reality game that gets a bit too real. Phoenix becomes Theseus pursued by the Minotaur, becomes Perseus and confronts the Gorgon, and goes down into the underworld.



Megan #1 Megan 1 Mary Hooper

published 1999

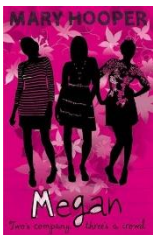
Megan, at age 15, discovers that she is 5 months pregnant in her 'Personal Development' class. How she copes, the decisions that she has to make, how her family and friends react are all told in a telling, compulsive tale.



Megan #2 Megan 2 Mary Hooper

published 1999

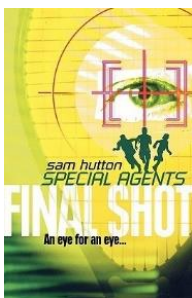
With the first book ending with Megan giving birth, the sequel describes what Megan decides to do with the baby (yes she keeps it) and also how she copes in her first six months as a young mother - as her life is completely turned around.



Megan #3 Megan 3 Mary Hooper

published 2001

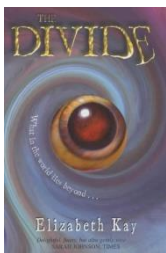
It is Jack's, Megan's son, first birthday party and the atmosphere is very tense. But Megan is being distracted by the unusual amount of telephone calls that her mother is getting. Surely Mum hasn't got a boyfriend has she? But it turns out that she has - and what is more, he is moving in. This really shakes up the dynamics of the house-hold.



Special Agents #2 Final Shot Sam Hutton

published 2003

The tennis championships at Wimbledon and something horrible is about to happen to Will Anderson, the British Number One. During the course of a murder investigation, police find photos of Will in a derelict London flat, and in all of them, his eyes are missing. The police to realize with horror that Will is about to be the murderer's next victim. Luckily for Will, he has just met Maddie at a party. Maddie is one of three teenage detectives in the Police Investigation Command unit of Special Branch, so who better to protect the British ace?



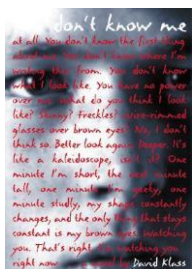
The Divide #1 The Divide Elizabeth Kay

published 2003

When Felix and his parents visit the Divide in Costa Rica, a place where the waters that run down to the Pacific and Atlantic oceans separate, he faints and wakes to discover an amazing back-to-front world where mythical creatures are real and humans and science are legend.

You Don't Know Me David Klass

published 2001

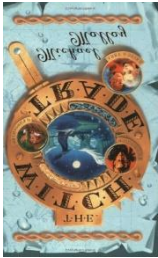


John wrestles with the certainty that no one really knows him—not in his miserable home, and certainly not at school. It's true that no one can guess his hidden thoughts, which are hilarious, razor-sharp observations about lust, love, tubas, algebra, everything. And then there's his home: his father ran off years ago, so he's being raised by his mother, who works long hours, and by her boyfriend, whom John calls "the man who is not and never will be my father." This man is his enemy, an abusive disciplinarian who seems to want to kill John and, in a horrible final confrontation, nearly succeeds.



Be Yourself **Michelle Magorian** *published 2004*

What would you rather, parents whose dreams are bigger than yours, or parents who have no dreams for you at all? How would you cope in a small boat with eight angry people giving you a bellyful of flack? Who'd you prefer to have as a friend, an old wrinkly who's there for you or a couple of mates who make you feel small? Ages 10+.



Night Witches #1 **The Witch Trade** **Michael Malloy** *pub.2001*

Abby and Spike are drawn into a world of witches, hidden caverns, fabulous boats, captive children, lost parents, and a quest to find Ice Dust - the source of magical power. With their strange new companions - Captain Starlight, Benbow the giant albatross, and Sir Chadwick Street, flamboyant Master of the Light Witches - they hurtle through perilous seas, face fearsome monsters, and do battle with an enemy darker and dirtier than they could ever have imagined.



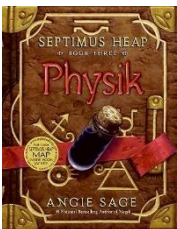
Shiva's Fire **Suzanne Fisher Staples** *published 2000*

In India, Parvati, a talented dancer with supernatural powers, is invited to Madras to study with a great master and sacrifices friends and family for her art. By the Newbery Honor-winning author of Shabanu.the dodo made me do it



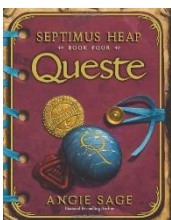
Septimus Heap #1 **Magyk** **Angie Sage** *published 2005*

The 7th son of the 7th son, named Septimus Heap, is stolen the night he is born by a midwife who pronounces him dead. That same night, the baby's father, Silas Heap, comes across a bundle in the snow containing a newborn girl with violet eyes. The Heaps take this helpless newborn into their home, name her Jenna, and raise her as their own. But who is this mysterious baby girl, and what really happened to their beloved son, Septimus?



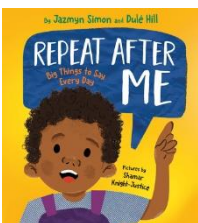
Septimus Heap #3 **Physik** **Angie Sage** *published 2007*

The third book in the internationally bestselling Septimus Heap series by Angie Sage, featuring the funny and fantastic adventures of a wizard apprentice and his quest to become an ExtraOrdinary Wizard.



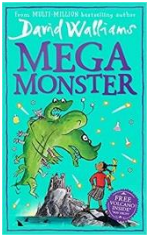
Septimus Heap #4 **Queste** **Angie Sage** *published 2008*

There's trouble at the Castle, and it's all because Merrin Meredith has returned with Darke plans for Septimus. More trouble awaits Septimus and Jenna in the form of Tertius Fume, the ghost of the very first Chief Hermetic Scribe, who is determined to send Septimus on a deadly Queste.



Repeat After Me: Big Things to Say Every Day **Jazmyn Simon, Dule Hill, Shamar Knight-Justice (Illustrator)** *pub.2023*

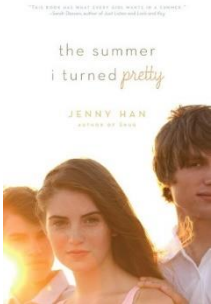
Every child, no matter their age, needs to know how loved they are and, more importantly, should love themselves. In this gorgeously illustrated book of affirmations, young readers are told how cherished, deserving, and gifted they are.



Megamonster David Walliams

published 2021

On a volcanic island stands The Cruel School. The lessons are appalling, the school dinners are revolting and the teachers are terrifying – especially the mysterious Science teacher Doctor Doktor. When Larker is sent to the school, she quickly realises something very odd is going on...



Summer #1 The Summer I Turned Pretty Jenny Han *published 2009*

Winters are simply a time to count the weeks until the next summer, a place away from the beach house, away from Susannah, and most importantly, away from Jeremiah and Conrad. They are the boys that Belly has known since her very first summer—they have been her brother figures, her crushes, and everything in between. But one summer, one terrible and wonderful summer, the more everything changes, the more it all ends up just the way it should have been all along.



Pirate Mouse: A swashbuckling tale that SHOWS the power of courage, perseverance, and friendship! Kirstie Watson *published 2020*

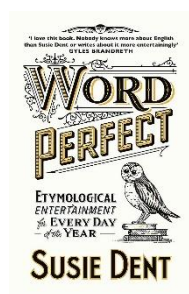
When Pirate Mouse embarks on a treasure hunt one day, something soon catches her eye. But reaching it proves a lot harder than she could have imagined. This intrepid explorer is determined, though, and soon discovers the greatest treasure of all.



Richard III Marcia Williams *published 2015*

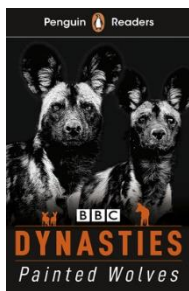
Before the Tudors, there was Richard Plantagenet - a manipulative noble who would do anything to get his hands on the crown. As Shakespeare wrote, Richard is "determined to prove a villain".

NON FICTION



Word Perfect: Etymological Entertainment For Every Day of the Year Susie Dent *published 2021*

Welcome to a year of wonder through the English language with Susie Dent, lexicographer extraordinaire and queen of Countdown's Dictionary Corner.



Dynasties: Painted Wolves Nick Bullard (Adapter), Stephen Moss *published 2021*

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