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After Virtue Alasdair MacIntyre 2013-10-21 Highly controversial when it was first published in 1981, Alasdair MacIntyre’s After Virtue has since established itself as a landmark work in contemporary moral philosophy. In this book, MacIntyre sought to address a crisis in moral language that he traced back to a European Enlightenment that had made the formulation of moral principles increasingly difficult. In the search for a way out of this impasse, MacIntyre returns to an earlier strand of ethical thinking, that of Aristotle, who emphasised the importance of ‘virtue’ to the ethical life. More than thirty years after its original publication, After Virtue remains a work that is impossible to ignore for anyone interested in our understanding of ethics and morality today.

Through Pelican Eyes Jd Daniels 2013-11 I’ve always thought that Matlacha (say Ma-la-SHAY), the funky Pine Island Florida fishing village cum art colony would be a perfect setting for a mystery, when along comes Jessie Murphy, the perfect gal to sort out the riff from the raff of it all. You’ve got to love this lady, a Goodwill fashion queen, who comes across as a ditzey airhead whose best buddy is a Gargoyle named Gar. Jessie’s taken time off from her job, thrilled to be rekindling the flame of romance with her treasure-hunting guy, Will Rolins, who adores her. Will has just made a wonderful archeological discovery, aka buried treasure. He’s offered to support Jessie in her painting career if only she’ll rejoin him in the sandy, salt-water and flip-flop lifestyle she adores. As she arrives in Matlacha, Jessie, to her horror, is met instead with the crime scene tape in place, bloodstains on the floor and pinholes where Will’s treasure maps should have been. The sheriff insists that Will’s death was a suicide but he refuses to release the police report and Jessie is bewildered. It is true that Will was often depressed and sometimes controlling. But why kill himself when he’s fulfilled his life’s dream? If he meant to kill himself why would he ask Jessie to join him? The facts don’t sit straight with Jessie. She is determined to sort out the case. Jessie’s a red-headed Irish Bostonian, whose art career has gone on the back burner as she struggles to earn a living. Meanwhile, certain investigative skills Jessie has acquired--a stint in a private investigator’s office, classes in theater and karate--all come into play as she trails suspects and sometimes overplays her hand, arousing the suspicions of whoever it is who makes crank calls to her in the middle of the night. Do not be fooled, there’s way more to Jessie than meets the eye, and do not, repeat, do not miss this true beach read with a pelican’s eye view of Florida’s magnificent barrier island landscapes. Sara Williams - author of Millie McCall’s Full Moon Poker Night

Branded by Fire Nalini Singh 2009-07-07 #1 New York Times bestselling author Nalini Singh allies two fierce changelings in this explosive Psy-Changeling novel. Though DarkRiver sentinel Mercy is feeling the pressure to mate, she resists savagely when Riley Kincaid, a lieutenant from the SnowDancer pack, seeks to possess her. The problem is not simply that he pushes her buttons; the problem is that he’s a wolf, she’s a cat, and they’re both used to being on top. But when a brilliant changeling researcher is kidnapped from DarkRiver territory in a seemingly senseless attack, Mercy and Riley must work together to track the young male—before his shadowy captors decide he’s no longer useful. Along the way, the two dominants may find that submitting to one another uncovers not just a deadly conspiracy, but a passion so raw, it’ll leave them both branded by fire...

Proofreading, Revising & Editing Skills Success in 20 Minutes a Day Brady Smith 2003 This comprehensive guide will prepare candidates for the test in all 50 states. It includes four complete practice exams, a real estate refresher course and complete math review, as well as a real estate terms glossary with over 900 terms, and expert test-prep tips.

Mein Kampf Adolf Hitler 2021-03-19 ‘MEIN KAMPF’ is the autobiography of Adolf Hitler gives detailed insight into the mission and vision of Adolf Hitler that shook the world. This book is the merger of two volumes. The first volume of MEIN KAMPF’ was written while the author was imprisoned in a Bavarian fortress. The book deals with events which brought the author into this blight. It was the hour of Germany’s deepest humiliation, when Napoleon has dismembered the old German Empire and French soldiers occupied almost the whole of Germony. The books narrates how Hitler was arrested with several of his comrades and imprisoned in the fortress of Landsberg on the river Lech. During this period only the author wrote the first volume of MEIN KAMPF. The Second volume of MEIN KAMPF was written after release of Hitler from prison and it was published after the French had left the Ruhr, the tramp of the invading armies still echoed in German ears and the terrible ravages had plunged the country into a state of social and economic Chaos. The beauty of the book is, MEIN KAMPF is an historical document which bears the emprint of its own time. Moreover, Hitler has declared that his acts and ‘public statements’ constitute a partial revision of his book and are to be taken as such. Also, the author has translated Hitler’s ideal, the Volkischer Staat, as the People’s State. The author has tried his best making German Vocabulary easy to understand. You will never be satisfied until go through the whole book. A must read book, which is one of the most widely circulated and read books worldwide.

Songs of Love and Death George R. R. Martin 2011-10-25 An anthology of original tales that explores crossover themes of romance, fantasy and science fiction includes contributions by leading genre authors and is co-edited by the creator of the A Song of Ice and Fire series and a 15-time Hugo Award-winning writer. Reprint. 125,000 first printing.

I L Ran the Zoo Dr. Seuss 2014 Gerald tells of the very unusual animals he would add to the zoo, if he were in charge.

Billboard 1982-12-25 In its 114th year, Billboard remains the world’s premier weekly music publication and a diverse digital, events, brand, content and data licensing platform. Billboard publishes the most trusted charts and offers unrivaled reporting about the latest music, video, gaming, media, digital and mobile entertainment issues and trends.

New York Magazine 1987-12-14 New York magazine was born in 1968 after a run as an insert of the New York Herald Tribune and quickly made a place for itself as the trusted resource for readers across the country. With award-winning writing and photography covering everything from politics and food to theater and fashion, the magazine’s consistent mission has been to reflect back to its audience the energy and excitement of the city itself, while celebrating New York as both a place and an idea.

Pete the Cat: I Love My White Shoes Eric Litwin 2010-12-07 Don’t miss the first and bestselling book in the beloved Pete the Cat series! Pete the Cat goes walking down the street wearing his brand-new white shoes. Along the way, his shoes change from white to red to blue to brown to WET as he steps in piles of strawberries, blueberries, and other big messes! But no matter what color his shoes are, Pete keeps movin’ and groovin’ and singing his song...because it’s all good. Pete the Cat: I Love My White Shoes asks the reader questions about the colors of different foods and objects—kids love to interact with the story. The fun never stops—download the free groovin’ song. Don’t miss Pete’s other adventures, including Pete the Cat: Rocking in My School Shoes, Pete the Cat and His Four Groovy Buttons, Pete the Cat Saves Christmas, Pete the Cat and His Magic Sunglasses, Pete the Cat and the Bedtime Blues, Pete the Cat and the New Guy, Pete the Cat and the Cool Cat Boogie, Pete the Cat and the Missing Cupcakes, Pete the Cat and the Perfect Pizza Party, and Pete the Cat: Crayons Rock!

The Other Wes Moore Wes Moore 2010-04-27 **NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER** • The “compassionate” (People), “startling” (Baltimore Sun), “moving” (Chicago Tribune) true story of two kids with the same name from the city: One went on to be a Rhodes Scholar, decorated combat veteran, White House Fellow, and business leader. The other is serving a life sentence in prison. In development as a feature film executive produced by Stephen Curry, who selected the book as his “Underrated” Book Club Pick with Literati! The chilling truth is that his story could have been mine. The tragedy is that my story could have been his. In December 2000, the Baltimore Sun ran a small piece about Wes Moore, a local student who had just received a Rhodes Scholarship. The same paper also ran a series of articles about four young men who had allegedly killed a police officer in a spectacularly botched armed robbery. The police were still hunting for two of the suspects who had gone on the lam, a pair of brothers. One was named Wes Moore. Wes just couldn’t shake off the unsettling coincidence, or the inkling that the two shared much more than space in the same newspaper. After following the story of the robbery, the manhunt, and the trial to its conclusion, he wrote a letter to the other Wes, now a convicted murderer serving a life sentence without the possibility of parole. His letter tentatively asked the questions that had been haunting him: Who are you? How did this happen? That letter led to a correspondence and relationship that have lasted for several years. Over dozens of letters and prison visits, Wes discovered that the other Wes had had a life not unlike his own: Both had had difficult childhoods, both were fatherless; they’d hung out on similar corners with similar crews, and both had run into trouble with the police. At each stage of their young lives they had come across similar moments of decision, yet their choices would lead them to astonishingly different destinies. Told in alternating dramatic narratives that take readers from heart-wrenching losses to moments of surprising redemption, *The Other Wes Moore* tells the story of a generation of boys trying to find their way in a hostile world. **BONUS:** This edition contains a new afterword and a *The Other Wes Moore* discussion guide.

The Glass Castle Jeannette Walls 2006-01-02 Journalist Walls grew up with parents whose ideals and stubborn nonconformity were their curse and their salvation. Rex and Rose Mary and their four children lived like nomads, moving among Southwest desert towns, camping in the mountains. Rex was a charismatic, brilliant man who, when sober, captured his children’s imagination, teaching them how to embrace life fearlessly. Rose Mary painted and wrote and couldn’t stand the responsibility of providing for her family. When the money ran out, the Walls retreated to the dismal West Virginia mining town Rex had tried to escape. As the dysfunction escalated, the children had to fend for themselves, supporting one another as they found the resources and will to leave home. Yet Walls describes her parents with deep affection in this tale of unconditional love in a family that, despite its profound flaws, gave her the fiery determination to carve out a successful life. -- From publisher description.

What’s Your Green Goldfish? Stan Phelps 2013-03-01 What’s Your Green Goldfish is based on the simple premise that employees are the key drivers of customer experience and that ‘Happy Employees Create Happy Customers.’ The book focuses on 15 different ways to drive employee engagement and reinforce a strong corporate culture. It’s the second book in the goldfish trilogy. The first book was an Amazon Best Seller entitled, What’s Your Purple Goldfish. Purple focused on customers, whereby Green focuses on employees. Both books are based on a revolutionary new approach called marketing g.l.u.e. (marketing by giving little unexpected extras). The book is based on the findings of the Green Goldfish Project, an effort which crowd sourced 1,001 examples of signature added value for employees. Key themes emerged from the Project. The book is filled with over 200 examples. PRAISE FOR WHAT’S YOUR GREEN GOLDFISH ‘Stan is the sherpa that guides executives along the journey between the heart and mind of business stakeholders. Stakeholders aren’t always customers though. At a time when company vision and culture matters more than ever, it takes inspired and engaged employees to bring them to life.’ - Brian Solis, author of What’s the Future of Business #WTF, The End of Business as Usual and Engage ‘So often overlooked, and so very vital to building company value... empowering employees to support each other and the brand. Stan Phelps ‘gets’ it and Green Goldfish will walk you step-by-step though achieving this critical goal.’ - Ted Rubin, author of Return on Relationship ‘Great customer centric organizations only exist because of engaged and empowered employees. The Green Goldfish is packed with awesome examples of what world class companies are doing today to inspire and reward their employees. If you see value in truly building an “A Team,” Green Goldfish will be, without question, your single best reference.’ - Chris Zane, Founder and President of Zane’s Cycles, author of Reinventing the Wheel, the Science of Creating Lifetime Customers ‘Stan Phelps takes customer service to a whole new level by focusing on EMPLOYEE service, and how to do well by your employees - so they take care of your customers. Packed with stories, insights and R.U.L.E.S. any company can follow, this book is a must-read for managers of companies of all shapes and sizes who know that employees don’t leave jobs - they leave managers, especially when they don’t feel your love and appreciation. Pick this up, and start engaging your team and making more GREEN - Phil Gerbyshak, author of The Naked Truth of Social Media ‘Our large-scale research shows unequivocally that engaged employees are more likely to work longer, try harder, make more suggestions for improvement, recruit others to join their company, and go out of their way to help customers. They even take less sick time. Companies can tap into the enormous value of engaged employees by following the 15 ideas that Stan lays out in this book.’ - Bruce Temkin, author of The Six Laws of Customer Experience ‘Too often, the actual employment experience delivered on the job does not measure up to the version sold to job candidates during the interview process. In What’s Your Green Goldfish, Stan Phelps offers 15 ways to close the gap.’ - Steve Curtin, author of Delight Your Customers: 7 Simple Ways to Raise Your Customer Service from Ordinary to Extraordinary (AMACOM, June 2013) ‘In What’s Your Green Goldfish, Stan Phelps brilliantly applies the idea of ‘doing a little something extra’ for employees. You know, those people that actually get the work done and keep customers happy. Read it, put some of the ideas to work, and soon you’ll be reaping more ‘green’ from your customers.’ - Bob Thompson, Founder and CEO, CustomerThink Corp.

Seeing is Believing Erin McCarthy 2013-03-05 Cuttersville, Ohio is full of ghosts, and they all want Piper Tucker’s help. One guy in town just wants Piper. Ever since Piper Tucker was young she wanted to be like everyone else, but her uncanny ability to see ghosts always put her on the other side of normal. And the apparitions are showing up now more than ever, desperately seeking help. But what can she possibly do for them? They’ve already been dead for years. Besides, she has a personal concern of her own right now. A real flesh and blood concern—named Brady. He’s Piper’s childhood crush, and no sooner is he back in town than sparks start giving off heat. For Brady, it’s hard not to notice the sexy young woman Piper’s become, or forget the special gift she had as a girl. And right now it could come in handy, because a long-forgotten murder has been keeping a restless spirit from finding peace. All Piper and Brady have to do is solve the crime to put the specter to rest. But the passion brewing between them is just as restless, and could prove twice as dangerous.

An Enchanted Season Nalini Singh 2009-11-03 A magical paranormal romance collection celebrating the spirit of the holidays from three bestselling authors. It’s the time of year when dreams come true, miracles happen every day, and love is the greatest gift of all. The holidays always seem to bring out the best in everyone, with heartfelt hugs for long-missed friends, sincere smiles in the spirit of the season, and a feeling of magic in the air... This scintillating collection of paranormal romances celebrates the holidays as never before. From a shape-shifting leopardess who wants a pack-mate to be her soulmate to a surprise snowstorm that brings an incredible gift, these three tales by Nalini Singh, Erin McCarthy, and Jean Johnson will stir your spirit in all the right places.

Seeker’s Mask P. C. Hodgell 2007-04-01 Obedience. Self-restraint Endurance. Silence. . . . These are the duties of a Highborn lady, and like the veils, masks and tight-fitting underskirts female Kencyr students are obliged to wear, Jame finds them darnably constricting. Sent here by her brother Torisen, Highlord of the Kencyrath, she has tried valiantly to fit in, but the unruly girl can’t help throwing the quiet Women’s Halls into an uproar. It’s not entirely Jame’s fault, though.

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While Tori’s vain and vicious consort treats her like an underling, the Kencyr Matriarchs, determined to winnow out her secrets, scheme to use her to their own advantage. And her own brother wants nothing to do with her. On top of this, Shadow Guild assassins have come hunting her, eager to fulfill a long-held contract to dispose of the last of the powerful Knrth clan. It’s no wonder that Jame decamps. In the company of her telepathic hunting cat, Jorin, a runaway priestling named Kindrie, and a chance-met squad of cadets, she sets out to rescue a friend from a cruel and ambitious Kencyr lord who seeks the deadly Book Bound in Pale Leather. Dodging ghostwalkers and shadow assassins, riding weirdingstorms and peripatetic trees, Jame discovers that her life is tangled up in a much larger purpose. For the war against Perimal Darkling cannot resume until three terrible objects of power, and the avatars who will wield them, appear. And she just might be one of them. . . . The long-sought third book in P.C. Hodgell’s intricate and engaging fantasy series follows the warrior-magician Jame as she battles enemies both in and out of the Women’s Halls at Gothregor. At the publisher’s request, this title is sold without DRM (Digital Rights Management).

Methland Nick Reding 2010-06-03 Traces the efforts of a small Iowa community to counter the pervasiveness of crystal methamphetamine, in an account that offers insight into the drug’s appeal while chronicling the author’s numerous visits with the town’s doctor, the local prosecutor and a long-time addict. Reprint. A best-selling book.

The Witching Hour Anne Rice 2010-11-17 From the author of the extraordinary Vampire Chronicles comes a huge, hypnotic novel of witchcraft and the occult through four centuries. Demonstrating, once again, her gift for spellbinding storytelling and the creation of legend, Anne Rice makes real for us a great dynasty of witches—a family given to poetry and to incest, to murder and to philosophy; a family that, over the ages, is itself haunted by a powerful, dangerous, and seductive being. On the veranda of a great New Orleans house, now faded, a mute and fragile woman sits rocking. . . . and The Witching Hour begins. It begins in our time with a rescue at sea. Rowan Mayfair, a beautiful woman, a brilliant practitioner of neurosurgery—aware that she has special powers but unaware that she comes from an ancient line of witches—finds the drowned body of a man off the coast of California and brings him to life. He is Michael Curry, who was born in New Orleans and orphaned in childhood by fire on Christmas Eve, who pulled himself up from poverty, and who now, in his brief interval of death, has acquired a sensory power that mystifies and frightens him. As these two, fiercely drawn to each other, fall in love and—in passionate alliance—set out to solve the mystery of her past and his unwelcome gift, the novel moves backward and forward in time from today’s New Orleans and San Francisco to long-ago Amsterdam and a château in the France of Louis XIV. An intricate tale of evil unfolds—an evil unleashed in seventeenth-century Scotland, where the first “witch,” Suzanne of the Mayfair, conjures up the spirit she names Lasher . . . a creation that spells her own destruction and torments each of her descendants in turn. From the coffee plantations of Port au Prince, where the great Mayfair fortune is made and the legacy of their dark power is almost destroyed, to Civil War New Orleans, as Julien—the clan’s only male to be endowed with occult powers—provides for the dynasty its foothold in America, the dark, luminous story encompasses dramas of seduction and death, episodes of tenderness and healing. And always—through peril and escape, tension and release—there swirl around us the echoes of eternal war: innocence versus the corruption of the spirit, sanity against madness, life against death. With a dreamlike power, the novel draws us, through circuitous, twilight paths, to the present and Rowan’s increasingly inspired and risky moves in the merciless game that binds her to her heritage. And in New Orleans, on Christmas Eve, this strangest of family sagas is brought to its startling climax.

Christmas, Actually Katie Pryal 2015-07-13 You never know how Christmas will turn out! Festive and fun, or dreary and dull? While the holidays are magical for some, they are somber for others. “Christmas, Actually” is a holiday collection that runs the gamut of seasonal emotions: humor, hope, joy, confusion, excitement. Curl up next to the fire, and laugh, cry and dream along with the characters in this collection of holiday tales. Christmas past, Christmas present, and Christmas future.. All play a part in “Christmas, Actually.” A Christmas collection full of Christmas humor, Christmas spirit, and even a little Christmas romance If you’re looking for a great read this holiday season, don’t miss “Christmas, Actually!” The six stories in this holiday collection take you on an adventure full of Christmas cheer. And it makes the perfect Christmas gift! Interview with the Editors Q: There are a lot of Christmas stories out there. Why read this collection in particular? A: The answer is in the question! This book is a Christmas collection, with no two stories about the holiday season alike. You’ll find Christmas humor and Christmas romance. Christmas spirit and Christmas cheer. Noticing a theme? One thing’s for sure, it’s a must-have on this Christmas season! Q: What types of stories will we find in this Christmas collection? A: The stories are grouped into Christmas past, Christmas present, and Christmas future. Spanning a variety of genres (humor, memoir, fiction, dystopia), you’re sure to find something you like! Q: Can you share a little bit about each contributor to this anthology? A: Of course! Aimee Horton (“Survival of the Christmas Spirit”) is the author of the Survival Series, a collection of humorous novels about Dottie Harris, a mother of two energetic kids who loves her gin. Katie Rose Guest Pryal (“Nice Wheels”) is the author of “Entanglement” and its novella prequel “Love and Entropy.” She is a lawyer, freelance journalist and author. Cheryll McAlister (“Noelle”) has been published in several anthologies, including “That’s Paris: An Anthology of Life, Love and Sarcasm in the City of Light,” also published by Velvet Morning Press. She loves travel and escaping to France whenever she can. Didier Quemener (“Chris Aftermaths”) is a chef, foodie, father and writer. He lives in Paris where he eats fresh bread every day, rain or shine. Laura Schalk (“Joyful Noise”) writes in stolen moments throughout the year and has also been published in “That’s Paris: An Anthology of Life, Love and Sarcasm in the City of Light.” Vicki Lesage (“All I Want For Christmas Is My Two Front Teeth”) is the author of the Paris Confessions series, a collection of humorous memoirs where she recounts the ups and downs of her life in the City of Light. Q: What’s the key to a great Christmas story? A: The key to a great Christmas story is the same as the key to any great story-make the reader feel something. Whether it’s the joy of the season or the strong emotions that come out this time of year, a Christmas story needs to draw the reader in and make them feel like it’s Christmastime, no matter where they are or what time of year it is when they’re reading it. Categories for Christmas, Actually Short Story Collection Holiday Fiction Christmas Collection Christmas Fiction Christmas Travel Christmas Romance Collections Christmas Gifts Christmas Christmas Humor Christmas Love Stories Christmas Novella “For readers looking for books on: the holiday season, Christmas travel, Christmas romance collections, family Christmas, Christmas humor, Christmas love stories, Christmas collections, Christmas novellas, Christmas women’s fiction.”

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The Indigo Book Christopher Jon Sprigman 2016-05-02 This public domain book is an open and compatible implementation of the Uniform System of Citation.

Atlanta 2003-12 Atlanta magazine’s editorial mission is to engage our community through provocative writing, authoritative reporting, and superlative design that illuminate the people, the issues, the trends, and the events that define our city. The magazine informs, challenges, and entertains our readers each month while helping them make intelligent choices, not only about what they do and where they go, but what they think about matters of importance to the community and the region. Atlanta magazine’s editorial mission is to engage our community through provocative writing, authoritative reporting, and superlative design that illuminate the people, the issues, the trends, and the events that define our city. The magazine informs, challenges, and entertains our readers each month while helping them make intelligent choices, not only about what they do and where they go, but what they think about matters of importance to the community and the region.

The Plague Year Lawrence Wright 2021 Beginning with the absolutely critical first moments of the outbreak in China, and ending with an epilogue on the vaccine rollout and the unprecedented events between the election of Joseph Biden and his inauguration, Lawrence Wright’s The Plague Year surges forward with essential information—and fascinating historical parallels—examining the medical, economic, political, and social ramifications of the COVID-19 pandemic. **The Legend of the Christmas Witch** Dan Murphy 2021-11-16 From Parks and Recreation star Aubrey Plaza and creative partner Dan Murphy comes the long lost tale of the Christmas Witch, Santa Claus’s much misunderstood twin sister. The perfect gift for the holiday season and beyond! Gather ‘round the fire to hear a Christmas legend that has never been told before...until now. Each year a mysterious figure sweeps into town, leaving behind strange gifts in the night. No, not Santa Claus, but his sister... The Christmas Witch. Her story begins many, many years ago when her brother was torn away from her as a child. Raised alone by a witch of the woods, Kristórn’s powers of magic grew, as did her temper. Determined to find her long lost twin, she set out on a perilous journey across oceans to find him. But what she found instead was a deep-seated fear of her powers and a confrontation that would leave the fate of Christmas hanging in the balance. From award-winning producer and actress Aubrey Plaza and her creative partner Dan Murphy comes a holiday story unlike any told before. With all the richness of classic folklore, they’ve woven a tale of bravery, love and magic. Whatever you thought you knew about Christmas...think again.

Christmas Eve at Friday Harbor Lisa Kleypas 2011-10-04 When his sister dies, Mark Nolan is left in charge of her six-year-old daughter, Holly, who refuses to speak after her mother’s death, until she makes a connection with widowed toy shop owner Maggie Collins.

The Golden House Salman Rushdie 2017-09-05 **NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER** • A modern American epic set against the panorama of contemporary politics and culture—a hurtling, page-turning mystery that is equal parts The Great Gatsby and The Bonfire of the Vanities **NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR** BY NPR • PBS • HARPER’S BAZAAR • ESQUIRE • FINANCIAL TIMES • THE TIMES OF INDIA On the day of Barack Obama’s inauguration, an enigmatic billionaire from foreign shores takes up residence in the architectural jewel of “the Gardens,” a cloistered community in New York’s Greenwich Village. The neighborhood is a bubble within a bubble, and the residents are immediately intrigued by the eccentric newcomer and his family. Along with his improbable name, untraceable accent, and unmistakable whiff of danger, Nero Golden has brought along his three adult sons: agoraphobic, alcoholic Petya, a brilliant recluse with a tortured mind; Apu, the flamboyant artist, sexually and spiritually omnivorous, famous on twenty blocks; and D, at twenty-two the baby of the family, harboring an explosive secret even from himself. There is no mother, no wife; at least not until Vasilisa, a sleek Russian expat, snags the septuagenarian Nero, becoming the queen to his king—a queen in want of an heir. Our guide to the Golden’s’ world is their neighbor René, an ambitious young filmmaker. Researching a movie about the Golden’s, he ingratiates himself into their household. Seduced by their mystique, he is inevitably implicated in their quarrels, their infidelities, and, indeed, their crimes. Meanwhile, like a bad joke, a certain comic-book villain embarks upon a crass presidential run that turns New York upside-down. Set against the strange and exuberant backdrop of current American culture and politics, The Golden House also marks Salman Rushdie’s triumphant and exciting return to realism. The result is a modern epic of love and terrorism, loss and reinvention—a powerful, timely story told with the daring and panache that make Salman Rushdie a force of light in our dark new age. Praise for The Golden House “[A] modern masterpiece . . . telling a story full of wonder and leaving you marveling at how it ever came out of the author’s head.”—Associated Press “Wildly satiric and yet piercingly real. . . . If F. Scott Fitzgerald, Homer, Euripides, and Shakespeare collaborated on a contemporary fall-of-an-empire epic set in New York City, the result would be The Golden House.”—Poets & Writers “A tonic addition to American—no, world!—literature. . . . a Greek tragedy with Indian roots and New York coordinates.”—San Francisco Chronicle

Thoroughbreds and Trailer Trash Bev Pettersen 2017 At first their personalities clash—but will their explosive chemistry become too much to resist?AWARDS: Book Buyers Best Finalist, National Readers’ Choice Award Finalist, Heart of Excellence Readers’ Choice Award Finalist, Laurel Wreath Award Finalist, Reader Views Reviewers Choice Award Winner **★★★★**Feisty Jenna Murphy doesn’t give a whiff about an animal’s pedigree. As the local horse masseuse, she knows she has the magic touch and is keen to help every animal in her small town, including her beloved pony, Peanut. Any extra money earned from her job at the Equine Center is earmarked for her younger sister. At least someone in their family is going to receive a college education.High-powered businessman Derek Burke’s main goal is to fix his new company’s financial woes. And the first thing on his agenda is to force employees to only look after Thoroughbreds. Working for free on trashy animals is simply not how a business makes money, and he’s prepared to run off anyone who doesn’t conform, even his attractive but free-spirited horse masseuse. Soon two stubborn people are caught in a battle of wills and there can never be two winners. Or can there?

Changeling Roger Zelazny 2003 Two novels in one volume include Changeling, in which the wizard Mor, after defeating Det Morson and destroying his castle, finds Det’s infant son Pol amidst the ruins, and Madwand, in which Pol, son of Lord Det and a powerful sorcerer, must learn how to control his powers before he can take the throne. Original.

Stuff You Should Know Josh Clark 2020-11-24 From the duo behind the massively successful and award-winning podcast Stuff You Should Know comes an unexpected look at things you thought you knew. Josh Clark and Chuck Bryant started the podcast Stuff You Should Know back in 2008 because they were curious—curious about the world around them, curious about what they might have missed in their formal educations, and curious to dig deeper on stuff they thought they understood. As it turns out, they aren’t the only curious ones. They’ve since amassed a rabid fan base, making Stuff You Should Know one of the most popular podcasts in the world. Armed with their inquisitive natures and a passion for sharing, they uncover the weird, fascinating, delightful, or unexpected elements of a wide variety of topics. The pair have now taken their near-boundless “whys” and “hows” from your earbuds to the pages of a book for the first time—featuring a completely new array of subjects that they’ve long wondered about and wanted to explore. Each chapter is further embellished with snappy visual material to allow for rabbit-hole tangents and digressions—including charts, illustrations, sidebars, and footnotes. Follow along as the two dig into the underlying stories of everything from the origin of Murphy beds, to the history of facial hair, to the psychology of being lost. Have you ever wondered about the world around you, and wished to see the magic in everyday things? Come get curious with Stuff You Should Know. With Josh and Chuck as your guide, there’s something interesting about everything (...except maybe jackhammers).

Tangle of Need Nalini Singh 2012-05-29 Discover the exhilarating risks of passion in the breathtaking new Psy-Changeling novel by Nalini Singh, the New York Times bestselling “alpha author of paranormal romance” (Booklist)... Adria, wolf changeling and resilient soldier, has made a break with the past—one as unpredictable in love as it was in war. Now comes a new territory, and a devastating new complication: Riaz, a SnowDancer lieutenant already sworn to a

desperate woman who belongs to another. For Riaz, the primal attraction he feels for Adria is a staggering betrayal. For Adria, his dangerous lone-wolf appeal is beyond sexual. It consumes her. It terrifies her. It threatens to undermine everything she has built of her new life. But fighting their wild compulsion toward one another proves a losing battle. Their coming together is an inferno...and a melding of two wounded souls who promise each other no commitment, no ties, no bonds. Only pleasure. Too late, they realize that they have more to lose than they ever imagined. Drawn into a cataclysmic Psy war that may alter the fate of the world itself, they must make a decision that might just break them both.

The Magical Christmas Cat Lora Leigh 2008 A collection of special holiday short stories features tales of romance, paranormal adventure, and Christmas surprises with a feline touch in an anthology featuring contributions by four popular authors--Lora Leigh, Erin McCarthy, Nalini Singh, and Linda Winstead Jones. Original.

Twenty Little Froggies Walter Parks 2014-09-17 Teach your child to memorize an age old poem. It will be with her/him for life. My Grandfather taught it to my father in 1887 when he was 5. My Father taught it to me in 1940 when I was 5. I taught it to my children. Make a video of your child reciting the poem and upload it to YouTube. Let your child start a family tradition.

Ignite My Love Lisa Carlson 2014-05-20 Abby's life was bland. Her love life sucked and recently her boyfriend Brad had been outright ignoring her. Her only bright spot? Her Uncle Ray's new restaurant where Abby will be the executive chef.Max's life was boring. He worked, spent time with his family and went home. He was in a rut. Until he met Abby.Can Max and Abby ignite a passion they so desperately crave?***Due to language and sexual situations this book is intended for mature readers.**

Demon Hunts C.E. Murphy 2010-06-01 Seattle police detective Joanne Walker started the year mostly dead, and she's ending it trying not to be consumed by evil. Literally. She's proven she can handle the gods and the walking dead. But a cannibalistic serial killer? That's more than even she bargained for. What's worse, the brutal demon can only be tracked one way. If Joanne is to stop its campaign of terror, she'll have to hunt it where it lives: the Lower World, a shamanistic plane of magic and spirits. Trouble is, Joanne's skills are no match for the dangers she's about to face—and her on-the-job training could prove fatal to the people she's sworn to protect...

Pre-Incident Indicators of Terrorist Incidents Brent L. Smith 2011-01 This is a print on demand edition of a hard to find publication. Explores whether sufficient data exists to examine the temporal and spatial relationships that existed in terrorist group planning, and if so, could patterns of preparatory conduct be identified? About one-half of the terrorists resided, planned, and prepared for terrorism relatively close to their eventual target. The terrorist groups existed for 1,205 days from the first planning meeting to the date of the actual/planned terrorist incident. The planning process for specific acts began 2-3 months prior to the terrorist incident. This study examined selected terrorist groups/incidents in the U.S. from 1980-2002. It provides for the potential to identify patterns of conduct that might lead to intervention prior to the commission of the actual terrorist incidents. Illustrations.

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Black Boy Joy Kwame Mbalia 2021-08-03 THE INSTANT #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • FIVE STARRED REVIEWS Celebrate the joys of Black boyhood with stories from seventeen bestselling, critically acclaimed Black authors—including Jason Reynolds, Jerry Craft, and Kwame Mbalia! ★ "Pick up Black Boy Joy for a heavy dose of happiness." —Booklist, starred review Black boy joy is... Picking out a fresh first-day-of-school outfit. Saving the universe in an epic intergalactic race. Finding your voice—and your rhymes—during tough times. Flying on your skateboard like nobody's watching. And more! From seventeen acclaimed Black male and non-binary authors comes a vibrant collection of stories, comics, and poems about the power of joy and the wonders of Black boyhood. Contributors include: B. B. Alston, Dean Atta, P. Djèlí Clark, Jay Coles, Jerry Craft, Lamar Giles, Don P. Hooper, George M. Johnson, Varian Johnson, Kwame Mbalia, Suyi Davies Okungbowa, Tochi Onyebuchi, Julian Randall, Jason Reynolds, Justin Reynolds, DaVaun Sanders, and Julian Winters

Harold and the Purple Crayon Crockett Johnson 2015-09-29 From beloved children's book creator Crockett Johnson comes the timeless classic Harold and the Purple Crayon! This imagination-sparking picture book belongs on every child's digital bookshelf. One evening Harold decides to go for a walk in the moonlight. Armed only with an oversize purple crayon, young Harold draws himself a landscape full of wonder and excitement. Harold and his trusty crayon travel through woods and across seas and past dragons before returning to bed, safe and sound. Full of funny twists and surprises, this charming story shows just how far your imagination can take you. "A satisfying artistic triumph." —Chris Van Allsburg, author-illustrator of The Polar Express Share this classic as a birthday, baby shower, or graduation gift!

Lester Kaufman 2021-04-16 The bestselling workbook and grammar guide, revised and updated! Hailed as one of the best books around for teaching grammar, The Blue Book of Grammar and

Punctuation includes easy-to-understand rules, abundant examples, dozens of reproducible quizzes, and pre- and post-tests to help teach grammar to middle and high schoolers, college students, ESL students, homeschoolers, and more. This concise, entertaining workbook makes learning English grammar and usage simple and fun. This updated 12th edition reflects the latest updates to English usage and grammar, and includes answers to all reproducible quizzes to facilitate self-assessment and learning. Clear and concise, with easy-to-follow explanations, offering "just the facts" on English grammar, punctuation, and usage Fully updated to reflect the latest rules, along with even more quizzes and pre- and post-tests to help teach grammar Ideal for students from seventh grade through adulthood in the US and abroad For anyone who wants to understand the major rules and subtle guidelines of English grammar and usage, The Blue Book of Grammar and Punctuation offers comprehensive, straightforward instruction.

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