# DAISY NEW TITLES LIST – October 2023

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The Library continually adds new titles to the collection in DAISY. Each month we produce a list of titles which inform Library members about what’s recently been added to the catalogue.

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## ANIMALS

### Book 1 Bite club: real-life attacks by sharks and other killer predators by Douglas Wight

When an animal strikes it is lightning fast, determined and can't be reasoned with. Often brutally violent, such an attack can leave horrific injuries, both physical and emotional that endure long after the encounter. Whether it's a great white shark, a bear, lion, or other deadly predator, the impact such attacks can have on the victim, their families, the communities, and the wider human psyche is often profound and enduring.

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### Book 2 Last sunset in the west: Britain's vanishing west coast orcas by Natalie Sanders

Britain has a single pod of orca, also known as killer whales, native to its home waters, although other orca visit from more northern regions. In 2014 Dr Natalie Sanders joined the crew of the HV Silurian to seek them out and study them before we lose them forever. In The Last Sunset in the West she discusses them one by one, and the many issues surrounding their lives in a captivating account that will take the reader deep into the history of our relations with the sentient and beautiful creatures.

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## AUSTRALIANA

### Book 3 Here be leviathans by Chris Flynn

A collection of funny, brilliant, boundary-pushing stories from the bestselling author of Mammoth.A grizzly bear goes on the run after eating a teenager. A hotel room participates in an unlikely conception. A genetically altered platypus colony puts on an art show. A sabretooth tiger falls for the new addition to his theme park. An airline seat laments its last useful day. A Shakespearean monkey test pilot launches into space. The stories in Here Be Leviathans take us from the storm drains under Las Vegas to the Alaskan wilderness; the rainforests of Queensland to the Chilean coastline.

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### Book 4 Jesustown by Paul Daley

Morally bankrupt popular historian Patrick Renmark leaves London in disgrace after the accidental death of his infant son. With one card left to play, he takes a commission to write the biography of his pioneering anthropologist grandfather. With no enthusiasm and even less integrity, Patrick travels to the former mission town in Australia's far north where his grandfather famously brokered 'peace' between the Indigenous people of the area and the white constabulary. Of course nothing is as it seems, or as Patrick wants it to be. Unable to lay his own son to rest, Patrick unwillingly becomes part of local lawyer Jericho Bakerman's quest to return the settlement's ancestral remains to Country.

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### Book 5 Body friend by Katherine Brabon

A woman leaves the hospital after an operation and starts swimming in a pool in Melbourne's inner suburbs. There she meets Frida, who is uncannily like her in her experience of illness. Soon after, she meets another woman in a local park, Sylvia, who sees her pain and encourages her to rest. The two new friends seem to be polar opposites: Frida adores the pool and the natural world, Sylvia clings to the protection of interior worlds. What begins as two seemingly simple friendships is challenged by what each woman asks of her, of themselves, and their bodies.

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### Book 6 Hopeless kingdom by Kgshak Akec

Akita’s family have always kept moving to survive. Sudan to Cairo. Cairo to Sydney. Sydney to Geelong. At each new place, challenges test and break Akita, her four siblings and her parents. Just when eight-year-old Akita is feeling settled at her new school and community in Sydney for the first time in her life, her parents decide to relocate to Geelong to be closer to their Sudanese relatives. The move is the beginning of a downward spiral that threatens to unravel the fabric of their family and any hope for finding peace and belonging. Told through the interchanging perspectives of Akita and her mother, Taresai, this coming of age story shines a light on the generational curses of trauma, and gives voice to the silent heartache of searching for acceptance in an adopted society which isn’t able to look past the surface of skin colour. Individually, the female narrators experience racism, rejection and despair, but together their narratives reveal a resilience of spirit and determination to transcend expectations of what a daughter, a sister, and a mother can be.

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### Book 7 Pomegranate & fig by Zaheda Ghani

The women arrive first, on an afternoon like any other, when Henna is safely enclosed behind her desk at school. They come to start a conversation that is both taboo and a normal part of life. A small, intimate group . . . precious stones decorate their necks and fingers, the sond, embroidery, on their pantaloons and translucent veils catches the afternoon light. Their eyebrows are groomed into elegant curves. They float on a cloud of perfume to Henna's family home.'A deeply moving novel about tradition, love, war and the sorrow & hope exile will bring.Tracing the lives of three young people, Henna, her brother Hamid, and a man who will become her husband, Rahim, this lyrical and evocative story reveals the political entanglements and family dynamics that are heightened and shattered by conflict. Taking us from the streets of Herat in the 1970s, invaded by Soviet forces, to India in the 1980s and then to the suburbs of Sydney, Pomegranate & Fig vividly illuminates the disruption, displacement and tragedy that war unleashes.

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### Book 8 Bad art mother by Edwina Preston

Good mothers are expected to be selfless. Artists are seen as selfish. So what does this mean for a mother with artistic ambitions? Enter: frustrated poet Veda Gray, who is offered a Faustian bargain when a wealthy childless couple, the Parishes, invite her to exchange her young son Owen for time to write. Veda's story unfolds as an adult Owen reflects on his boyhood in the Melbourne suburbs, and in the vibrant bohemian inner-city art world where his restaurateur father was a king. Meanwhile, the talented women in his orbit - Veda, Mrs Parish, wife of an influential poet, muralist and restaurant worker Rosa - push against gender expectations to be recognised as legitimate artists, by their intimates and the wider world. And almost-aunt Ornella, who declares herself without an artistic bone in her body, is perhaps the closest thing Owen has to a traditional mother. As Owen is encouraged to 'be a man', he loses something of himself, too.

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### Book 9 West girls by Laura Elizabeth Woollett

Luna Lewis is white. But her friends aren't, nor are her brothers, nor her one-time Princess of Indonesia-finalist stepmother. After transforming from pudgy preteen to 'exotic' beauty, Luna reinvents herself as 'Luna Lu' and takes her ticket out of the most isolated city on earth. However, as her international modelling career approaches its expiry date, Luna must grapple with what she's sacrificed - and who she's become - in her mission to conquer the world.

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### Book 10 Long Bay by Eleanor Limprecht

It's Sydney, 1909. A woman dies when Rebecca Sinclair performs an abortion. The verdict sends Rebecca to the Long Bay Women's Penitentiary - just opened - for three years. Complicating the situation still further-Rebecca herself is pregnant. Inspired by letters found in an archive and a photograph of a young woman prisoner, Long Bay is a compelling, moving novel that reveals the harsh realities of living in poverty-and falling in love.

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### Book 11 The hidden book by Kirsty Manning

When 13-year-old Hannah Campbell's Yugoslavian grandfather, Nico Antonov, arrives in Australia to visit his family, one of the gifts he brings with him is an intriguing-looking parcel wrapped in calico cloth which Roza, Hannah's mother, quickly hides. Later, Hannah sneaks off in search for the mysterious package. She is horrified to find in it a photo book full of ghastly historical photographs of a terrible place full of people suffering.

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## BIOGRAPHIES AND MEMOIRS

### Book 12 The art of breaking ice by Rachael Mead

In 1960, when the legendary icebreaker Magga Dan set sail for Antarctica, it contained a secret. Hiding on board was Nel Law, wife of expedition leader Phillip Law. She would make history by becoming the first Australian woman to set foot on the icy continent, but it was her art that would change everything. Though a talented artist, Nel has always been defined by her role as 'the explorer's wife', but in the clear expanse of the Southern Ocean, her true self is finally allowed to emerge. Despite misogyny from the all-male crew and increasing resentment from her mercurial husband, Nel's art begins to flourish. Her new friend, a gentle ornithologist, encourages her to explore, but as the ship ploughs on towards Antarctica, rumours swirl, threatening her marriage and the tenuous peace between the controlling Phillip and his crew. In the clear, white light of the south, Nel will be forced to confront the truth of herself and the man to whom she has dedicated her life. This stunning reimagining of Nel Law's life reveals a ground-breaking artist searching for freedom in a world where women's lives were still defined by their husbands.

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### Book 13 The facemaker: one surgeon's battle to mend the disfigured soldiers of World War I by Lindsey Fitzharris

After encountering the human wreckage on the Front, Harold Gillies proceeded to establish one of the world's first hospitals dedicated entirely to facial reconstruction. There, he assembled a unique group of doctors, nurses and artists, whose task was to recreate what had been torn apart. Gillies restored not just the faces of the wounded, but also their spirits.

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### Book 14 No more secrets: my part in codebreaking at Bletchley Park and the Pentagon by Betty Webb

Between 1941 and 1945, Betty Webb was part of the vital, top-secret efforts being made at Bletchley Park to decipher the communications of the Germans and later the Japanese. In 1945, she was sent to the Pentagon and was in Washington DC when the atomic bombs fell on Japan and when President Harry S. Truman announced the end of the war. Betty was unable to reveal the true nature of her work until years later.

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### Book 15 The rooster house: a Ukrainian family secret by Victoria Belim

In 2014, while the Russian state was annexing Crimea, Victoria visited her grandmother. Just before the trip she came across her great-grandfather's diary, one page scored deep with the single line: 'Brother Nikodim, vanished in the 1930s fighting for a free Ukraine.' She had never heard of this uncle and no one seemed willing to tell her about him. Victoria became obsessed with recovering his story, and returned to her birth country again and again in pursuit of it.

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### Book 16 The Windsors at war: the Nazi threat to the Crown by Alexander Larman

The Windsors at War tells the story of the turbulent and seismic decade between 1937 and 1947, including the bombing of Buckingham Palace in May 1940, the Duke of Windsor's ill-advised visit to Germany in October 1937 and the death of the Duke of Kent in a plane crash in August 1942. It answers a simple question: how did this dysfunctional family manage to put their differences aside and unite to help win the greatest conflict of their lifetimes?

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### Book 17 George Russell: a biography by James Gray

George Russell, published to mark the British Grand Prix. From dominating the karting tracks of East Anglia to the top of the podium in Formula 3 and Formula 2, George Russell has now fully established himself as a rising Formula 1 star. After cutting his teeth as a driver with Williams, in 2022 he signed a lucrative contract with Mercedes, highlighting the extent of his raw talent. Driving for Mercedes, Russell has been confirmed as the designated successor to none other than Lewis Hamilton.

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### Book 18 Bird: three extraordinary flights, one woman's remarkable journey by Tracey Curtis-Taylor

Tracey Curtis-Taylor has created headlines around the world with three epic flights in a 1942 Boeing Stearman biplane. Paying homage to two historic female aviators, she flew from Cape Town to Goodwood in 2013, from London to Australia in 2015 and, two years later, completed a transcontinental flight across the USA, after surviving a plane crash during the expedition. But her daring exploits came at a huge personal cost.

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### Book 19 Broke by Sam Drummond

A memoir about downward mobility, disability and the power of hope. Sam always knew he was starting life on the back foot. When his parents split, Sam, his mother and his brother had to learn to survive in a world not built for single-parent families. Add to that Sam's diagnosis with a form of dwarfism and the odds seemed stacked against them. As surgeons kept breaking and resetting Sam's legs in attempts to keep him walking, disability and poverty collided, and it took all the family's strength not to crumple in the impact.

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### Book 20 No finish line by Johnny Ruffo

A rags-to-riches memoir of a cheeky tradie who stole Australia's hearts on The X Factor and Home and Away, then faced the biggest battle of his life: brain cancer. Johnny Ruffo came to Australia's attention when he entered The X Factor in 2011. A concreter with a cheeky smile and long-held passion for music, he won millions of hearts and eventually placed third. Sony Music rushed to sign him up and he was offered a guest spot on Australia's favourite soap, Home and Away, which turned into a three-year role. But the sudden rise to fame took its toll. Johnny found it hard to resist the weekend-long parties, drugs, alcohol and fair-weather friends that came with the territory. He had started suffering from severe headaches when his girlfriend, Tahnee, noticed something was also wrong with his speech. Johnny was rushed to hospital, where doctors prepped him for immediate surgery to deal with a 7-centimetre-long tumour. Johnny was ultimately diagnosed with a rare brain cancer, with which - despite a period of remission, he still battles today. But in a strange way Johnny thinks the cancer actually saved his life ...

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### Book 21 Through her eyes: Australia's women correspondents from Hiroshima to Ukraine by Melissa Roberts and Trevor Watson

As Russian rockets slam into a Ukraine hospital, Kabul falls to Taliban fanatics, millions flee upheaval and democracy is under assault - Australia's women correspondents are there, reporting the stories that shake our world. With empathy they also tell of ordinary people swept up in chaos; the quest for love in war-torn Gaza; a boy's search for his lost mother; women robbed of their dreams by religious zealots. And, for the first time, Australia's most acclaimed women correspondents, many of them still in the field, tell their own personal stories behind the stories. Australian women journalists fought their way from the social page to the front page with courage and single-minded determination. Through her eyes reveals the qualities they bring to our understanding of a turbulent world.

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### Book 22 Tell no one by Brendan Watkins

When Brendan Watkins was eight years old, his parents told him he was adopted. In his late twenties, he discovered the identity of his birth mother - a woman who had been a Catholic nun when he was born - but she wanted nothing to do with him. For thirty years he only managed limited communication with her, and had no clues to the identity of his birth father. In 2018, a DNA test led him to the truth: he was the son of a celebrated missionary priest.

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### Book 23 Kindness: what surviving on the kindness of strangers taught me about perspective, connection and happiness by Kath Koschel

Kath Koschel has faced almost unimaginable hurdles. In her mid-twenties, she broke her back and was told she may never walk again. Shortly afterwards, she lost her beloved partner to suicide. Then, just as she was piecing her life back together, she was hit by a car while cycling and forced to relearn to walk a second time. In the midst of these harrowing experiences, Kath created the Kindness Factory on social media to share her small acts of kindness, hoping to inspire a groundswell of people to join her. Her idea went viral: millions of acts have since been logged, giving birth to the 'Kindness Curriculum'—a blueprint for happiness, resilience and connection that has now launched in schools across three countries. In 2016 Kath put her beliefs to the ultimate test, leaving home with nothing but a change of clothes, her phone and a toothbrush—no food, money or water. Her goal? To see how long she could survive on the kindness of strangers. Her journey took her to every state in Australia, where she met with people from all walks of life to share her kindness manifesto. Part stirring memoir and part empowering call to action, Kindness is a timely reminder that there is always light to be found, if only we look hard enough.

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### Book 24 Darren Lockyer: autobiography by Darren Lockyer with Dan Koch

The remarkable longevity of Lockyer's excellence has earned him the respect of fellow athletes around the world and the adoration of fans everywhere. But while undoubtedly one of the most recognisable athletes in Australia, Lockyer has largely maintained his privacy, rarely, if ever, allowing fans a look at the man behind the man. In this book Lockyer, for the first time, opens up on the people, places, incidents and events which have shaped the life and career of an Australian sporting icon.

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### Book 25 Empire, war, tennis and me by Peter Charles Doherty

For those who look, and think deeply, new connections emerge. Peter Doherty, one of the world's foremost authorities on immunology, recipient of the Nobel Prize for medicine, and an active and respected commentator on public health, reflects in this book on empire, war and tennis. Doherty identifies the origins of modern tennis within its imperial context, relating seemingly unlikely connections between the sport, its players and national militaries. He traces the fate of tennis-and its players-as a nascent force for internationalism and cultural tolerance within the context of World War II. And he personalises this account through an unsentimental but revealing depiction of his tennis-loving Queenslander uncles, at war and in captivity in the Pacific. As Doherty shows, tennis and war have threaded their way through the lives of many people since the nineteenth century, in a way intriguingly unique to this sport. This is part of Peter's story. And, as we come to realise, it is also part of the story of our world.

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## GAY LESBIAN BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER

### Book 26 Learned by heart by Emma Donoghue

Drawing on years of investigation and Anne Lister's five-million-word secret journal, Emma Donoghue presents a novel based on the long-buried love story of Eliza Raine, an orphan heiress banished from India to England at age six, and Anne Lister, a brilliant, troublesome tomboy, who meet at the Manor School for young ladies in York in 1805 when they are both fourteen.

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## HISTORY

### Book 27 Fortune by Lenny Bartulin

Fortune is a dazzling, endlessly surprising historical novel that opens the day Napoleon leads his victorious Grande Armee into Berlin after having conquered Prussia in battle. As crowds throng the streets to witness the emperor in his glory, a handful of lives that briefly touch are sprung from their orbits and set on courses that will take them across Europe and around the world ', their fates and desires sometimes intersecting, to strange lands in the Caribbean and South America, the Australian continent and Van Diemen's Land, and back to a Europe now transformed. A frustrated general in Napoleon's army, billeted with one of Berlin's finest families. Elisabeth, a passionate young woman living in that house. The young man with whom she locks eyes through a window as he's engaged in a sexual encounter at the moment Napoleon makes his grand entrance. An entrepreneur in New World exotica, whose house is the setting for the tryst. A slave from Suriname, Mr. Hendrik, with his resentful white American companion, who have traveled to Berlin to sell a barrel of electric eels for their master. And a lost soul enamored of philosophy in the coffeehouses where students gather, who decides to join Mr. Hendrik and the American on their return voyage. Through their stories amid war, cataclysm, colliding cultures, and misadventure, Lenny Bartulin imagines the ways that chance and the grand events of history shape the course of ordinary lives.

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### Book 28 Queen's knight by Griff Hosker

The battle for France is almost over but the Plantagenets do not know it. They cling to the hope that by throwing more and more men at a lost cause they will regain the land lost. Sir Michael of Weedon knows that is not true and is tired of the waste. He has fulfilled his promise to a dead king as well as his mentor but it is a savage attack on his new family's home that makes him return to England. It is there that Fate catches up with him. He is summoned by Queen Catherine, King Henry's widow and she entrusts him with her most valuable treasure and makes him, the Queen's Knight.

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### Book 29 Loki's deceit by Donovan Cook

A king, old and frail. A challenger filled with vengeance. A kingdom's fate at stake. Sven the Boar is Jarl of Ribe once more. He and Charles try to settle into their new lives, but trouble and treachery are never too far away. Tormented by recent events, Charles struggles to adapt to life amongst the heathens that mock his Christian God and the arrival of a priest from the south only makes things worse.

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### Book 30 Cleopatra and Julius by Joanna Courtney

A young queen... Consecrated at birth as a royal goddess, Cleopatra learns early on from her father's experience that to rule means to fight. Politically astute, her deep love for Egypt means she'll do everything in her power to retain its autonomy from the all-devouring Romans. A great emperor... Julius Caesar is a legendary warrior whose might helped secure the Egyptian throne for Cleopatra's father. Years later, when he encounters the now Queen of Egypt, it is more than a meeting of rulers - it is a meeting of souls. Together they could have ruled the world. In Julius, Cleopatra finds the first person who challenges and respects her fiercely brilliant mind, who understands her duty and shares her passionate nature. Their union, forged in conflict, seems unbreakable, but are the bonds binding them to their countries even stronger? Yet in a choice between love and duty, only one can win.

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### Book 31 Ithaca by Claire North

Penelope was barely into womanhood when she wed Odysseus. While he lived, her position was secure. But now, years on, speculation is mounting that her husband is dead, and suitors are beginning to knock at her door. No one man is strong enough to claim Odysseus's empty throne - not yet. But as everyone waits for the balance of power to tip, Penelope knows that any choice she makes could plunge Ithaca into bloody civil war.

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### Book 32 House of Odysseus by Claire North

On Ithaca, Queen Penelope maintains a delicate balance of power. In her husband Odysseus' absence following the Trojan War, Penelope uses her cunning to keep the peace, but this is shattered with the arrival of Orestes, King of Mycenae. Orestes is mad. Guilt-ridden after killing his own mother, he grows ever more unhinged. To protect him from the ambitious men of Mycenae, his sister Elektra brings him to Ithaca to recover.

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### Book 33 Son of Mercia by M. J. Porter

Tamworth, Mercia AD825. The once-mighty kingdom of Mercia is in perilous danger. Their King, Beornwulf lies dead and years of bitter in-fighting between the nobles, and cross border wars have left Mercia exposed to her enemies. King Ecgberht of Wessex senses now is the time for his warriors to strike and exact his long-awaited bloody revenge on Mercia.

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### Book 34 Wolf of Mercia by M. J. Porter

Icel is becoming a warrior of Mercia, but King Ecgberht of Wessex still holds the Mercian settlement of Londonia and its valuable mint. King Wiglaf of Mercia is determined that the last bulwark be reclaimed from his sworn enemy to complete his rehabilitation as Mercia's rightful ruler. In the heart of the shield wall, Icel suddenly finds himself on the wrong side of the battle and thrust into the retreating enemy stronghold where he must take on the pretence of a Wessex warrior to survive and exact a cunning plan to bring down the Wessex force cowering behind the ancient walls.

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### Book 35 Warrior of Mercia by M. J. Porter

Icel is a lone wolf no more. Oath sworn to Wiglaf, King of Mercia and acknowledged as a member of Ealdorman Ælfstan's warrior band, Icel continues to forge his own destiny on the path to becoming the Warrior of Mercia. With King Ecgberht of Wessex defeated and Londonium back under Mercian control, the Wessex invasion of Mercia is over.

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### Book 36 Viking wolf by Griff Hosker

Jarl Dragon Heart has taken to the seas. With his wolf warriors he raids further afield than ever before as he seeks his destiny. He has to fight new enemies as well as treacherous former allies. The Norns weave their webs and the Vikings discover the Middle Sea and Africa before they find themselves at the court of Nikephoros 1, the Emperor of Byzantium.

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### Book 37 Legionary by Gordon Doherty

376 AD: The Eastern Roman Empire is alone against the tide of barbarians swelling on her borders. Emperor Valens juggles the paltry border defenses to stave off invasion from the Goths north of the Danube. Meanwhile, in Constantinople, a pact between faith and politics spawns a lethal plot that will bring the dark and massive hordes from the east crashing down on these struggling borders.

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### Book 38 Viper of the north by Gordon Doherty

Deep winter, 376 AD: Emperor Valens has withdrawn the field armies from Moesia and Thracia to fight in the Persian War. The impoverished limitanei legions left behind to defend the banks of the River Danubius are now all that stand between the war-hungry Goths and heart of the Eastern Roman Empire.

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### Book 39 Land of the sacred fire by Gordon Doherty

377 AD: Emperor Valens has stripped the Persian frontier of its legions, sending every available man to Thracia in an effort to contain the rampaging Gothic hordes. Now, covetous eyes have fallen upon Rome's trade-rich but sparsely defended desert provinces. Shapur II, Shahanshah of the Sassanid Empire and his many client kings have long believed Rome's eastern holdings to be theirs by ancestral right, and those lands have never been more vulnerable.

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### Book 40 The scourge of Thracia by Gordon Doherty

377 AD: Thracia's legions are few and broken in the wake of the Battle of Ad Salices. But the scattered centuries and cohorts rally in an effort to blockade the Haemus Mountain passes and hold back the relentless attacks of Fritigern's swelling Gothic armies. These passes must endure until Eastern Emperor Valens and Western Emperor Gratian can muster and bring their Praesental Armies in relief.

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### Book 41 Flags on the bayou by James Lee Burke

A novel set in Civil War-era Louisiana, as the South transforms and a brilliant cast of characters-enslaved and free women, plantation gentry, and battle-weary Confederate and Union soldiers-are caught in the maelstrom. When Hannah Laveau, an enslaved woman working on the Lufkin plantation, is accused of murder, she goes on the run with Florence Milton, an abolitionist schoolteacher, dodging the local constable and the slavecatchers that prowl the bayous.

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### Book 42 The bewitching by Jill Dawson

Alice Samuel might be old and sharp-tongued, but she's no fool. Visiting her new neighbours in her Fenland village, she finds Squire Throckmorton's family troubled and, she suspects, not as God-fearing as they seem. Yet when one of the daughters accuses her of witchcraft, Alice has no idea of the danger she is in or how quickly matters will escalate. The Throckmortons' maid Martha, uneasy herself about strange goings-on in the household, is reluctant to believe that Alice is a witch. But as the entire village gets swept up in the frenzied persecution of one of their own, she struggles to find a voice. Exploring a neglected episode of English history to powerful effect, The Bewitching vividly conveys the brutal tribalism that can erupt in a closed society and how victims can be made to believe in their own wickedness.

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### Book 43 Warrior by Simon Scarrow and T. J. Andrews

Rome, AD 61. Boudica's rebellion against Roman rule has failed. At a celebratory banquet, an ambitious historian, Caius Placonius Felicitus, takes an interest in a mysterious guest: Caratacus. Once a high king of Britannia, now living in exile, Caratacus gradually opens up to Felicitus. And the young Roman soon realises that Caratacus's is the story he has been waiting all his life to tell.

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### Book 44 Sunbirds by Mirandi Riwoe

1941, West Java. Love and revolution are in the air. And war is on its way. Shortly before the Japanese invade, the van Hoorn family throws their famous Sinterklaas party at their tea plantation in West Java. One of their guests, Mattijs, a Dutch pilot, hopes to forge a future in the Dutch East Indies, possibly with the family's daughter Anna, but she is torn between her dreams of Holland and her desire to belong.

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## HORROR

### Book 45 Bride of the tornado by James Kennedy

In a small town tucked away in the midwestern corn fields, the adults whisper about Tornado Day. Our narrator, a high school sophomore, has never heard this phrase but she soon discovers its terrible meaning: a plague of sentient tornadoes is coming to destroy them. The only thing that stands between the town and total annihilation is a teen boy known as the tornado killer. Drawn to this enigmatic boy, our narrator senses an unnatural connection between them. But the adults are hiding a secret about the origins of the tornadoes and the true nature of the tornado killer—and our narrator must escape before the primeval power that binds them all comes to claim her.

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### Book 46 Where the dead go to die by Aaron Dries

Post-infection Chicago. Christmas. Inside The Hospice, Emily and her fellow nurses do their rounds. Here, men and women live out their final days in comfort, segregated from society, and are then humanely terminated before fate turns them into marrow-craving monsters known as "Smilers". Outside these imposing walls, rabid protesters swarm with signs, caught up in the heat of their hatred. Emily, a woman haunted by her past, only wants to do her job and be the best mother possible. But in a world where mortality means nothing, where guns are drawn in fear and nobody seems safe anymore - at what cost will this pursuit come? And through it all, the soon to be dead remain silent, ever smiling. Such is their curse.

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### Book 47 The ridge by Michael Koryta

On an isolated ridge in the Kentucky woods stands a homemade lighthouse, hundreds of miles from any substantial body of water. Local reporter Roy Darmus has always found it an amusing oddity- until he is selected as the recipient of a suicide note from its builder. Roy enters the bizarre structure to find the walls covered in maps bearing the names of the dead--including his own parents, who were killed in a car accident when he was a boy. Roy soon has a storytelling assignment more daunting than anything he's seen before: convincing people that an age-old legend has in fact come to life.

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### Book 48 Bound by Alan Baxter

Alex Caine is a martial artist fighting in illegal cage matches. His powerful secret weapon is an unnatural vision that allows him to see his opponents’ moves before they know their intentions themselves. An enigmatic Englishman, Patrick Welby, approaches Alex after a fight and reveals, "I know your secret." Welby shows Alex how to unleash a breathtaking realm of magic and power, drawing him into a mind-bending adventure beyond his control. And control is something Alex values above all else... A cursed grimoire binds Alex to Uthentia, a chaotic Fey godling, who leads him towards chaos and murder, an urge Alex finds harder and harder to resist. Befriended by Silhouette, a monstrous Kin beauty, Alex sets out to recover the only things that will free him - the shards of the Darak. But that powerful stone also has the potential to unleash a catastrophe which could mean the end of the world as we know it.

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### Book 49 Obsidian by Alan Baxter

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### Book 50 Abduction by Alan Baxter

The past often catches up with you, but when it's Alex Caine's past, the results can be deadly. Alex Caine has been suffering the weight of the world, and some days it's hard to even get out of bed. Alone one night, a band of Fey overwhelm him and steal him away from the mortal realm. Silhouette, desperate to save her lover, calls in Armour, but the organization seems reluctant to help. Claude Darvill, his fragile alliance with Alex at an end, is still searching for the remains of his father, Robert Hood. In frozen wastes of Iceland, Darvill is driven by a deep-burning grudge and a need for revenge. His efforts are backed by all the considerable resources of Black Diamond Incorporated. Silhouette must overcome her greatest fears and use all her skills to locate Alex. Even if she can find him, that's just the start of their problems.

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### Book 51 So cold the river by Michael Koryta

It started with a beautiful woman and a challenge. As a gift for her husband, Alyssa Bradford approaches Eric Shaw to make a documentary about her father-in-law, Campbell Bradford, a 95-year-old billionaire whose past is wrapped in mystery. Eric grabs the job even though there are few clues to the man's past--just the name of his hometown and an antique water bottle he's kept his entire life. In Bradford's hometown, Eric discovers an extraordinary history--a glorious domed hotel where movie stars, presidents, athletes, and mobsters once mingled, and hot springs whose miraculous mineral water cured everything from insomnia to malaria. Neglected for years, the resort has been restored to its former grandeur just in time for Eric's stay. Just hours after his arrival, Eric experiences a frighteningly vivid vision. As the days pass, the frequency and intensity of his hallucinations increase and draw Eric deeper into the town's dark history. He discovers that something besides the hotel has been restored--a long-forgotten evil that will stop at nothing to regain its lost glory.

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### Book 52 Sallow Bend by Alan Baxter

Something old and deadly has awoken. When two teenagers go missing from the small, rural town of Sallow Bend, the residents come together to search for them. Little do they suspect that finding the wayward girls will be the start of their problems. An old evil is rising, and only one man seems to realize that everyone is in danger and this is not the first time it’s happened. With the carnival in town, people want to have a good time, but for many, this will be the worst time of their lives.

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### Book 53 Primordial by Alan Baxter and David Wood

Sometimes, the legends are true. When eccentric billionaire Ellis Holloway hires renegade marine biologist Sam Aston to investigate the legend of a monster in a remote Finnish lake, Aston envisions an easy paycheck and a chance to clear his gambling debts. But he gets much more. There is something terrible living beneath the dark waters of Lake Kaarme and it is hungry. As the death toll mounts, Aston faces superstitious locals, a power-hungry police chief, and a benefactor's descent into madness as he races to find the legendary beast of the lake.

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### Book 54 Overlord by Alan Baxter and David Wood

What lurks beneath the ice? Marine biologist Sam Aston is hired to explore a series of subterranean caverns deep beneath the Antarctic. Somewhere within this lost world of magnificent caverns and underground seas lies a source of limitless clean energy, but something guards this treasure. As enemies bent on obtaining this world-changing resource for themselves close in from above, Aston and his team plunge further into the depths and discover they are not the first to come this way...and they are not alone. As the death toll mounts, Aston and his companions are forced to uncover secrets hidden far beneath the ice. Danger lurks at every turn as they face the deadly threat of the Overlord.

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### Book 55 Crocalypse by Alan Baxter and David Wood

The world's greatest theme park has a new main attraction! When on old friend calls for help, Sam Aston returns to the home town he tried to leave behind. It soon becomes apparent there is something loose in the rainforest, and everybody wants a piece of it. Aston and adventure television show host, Jo Slater, find themselves in a race against local criminal elements, environmental extremists, and mysterious mercenaries to find the creature before it kills again. Sam enlists the aid of his old rival, park ranger Rusty Crews, and Ned King, a naturalist with a flair for self-promotion, who would like nothing better than to find the perfect main attraction for Crocalypse, his new bio theme park.

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### Book 56 Such sharp teeth by Rachel Harrison

Rory Morris isn't thrilled to be moving back to her hometown, even if it is temporary. There are bad memories there. But her twin sister, Scarlett, is pregnant, estranged from the baby's father, and needs support, so Rory returns to the place she thought she'd put in her rearview. After a night out at a bar where she runs into an old almost-flame, she hits a large animal with her car. And when she gets out to investigate, she's attacked. Rory survives, miraculously, but life begins to look and feel different.

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### Book 57 The cypress house by Michael Koryta

Arlen Wagner has seen it in men before--a trace of smoke in their eyes that promises imminent death. He is never wrong. When Arlen awakens on a train one hot Florida night and sees death's telltale sign in the eyes of his fellow passengers, he tries to warn them. Only 19-year-old Paul Brickhill believes him, and the two abandon the train, hoping to escape certain death. They continue south, but soon are stranded at the Cypress House--an isolated Gulf Coast boarding house run by the beautiful Rebecca Cady--directly in the path of an approaching hurricane. The storm isn't the only approaching danger, though. A much deadlier force controls the county and everyone living in it, and Arlen wants out--fast. But Paul refuses to abandon Rebecca to face the threats alone, even though Arlen's eerie gift warns that if they stay too long, they may never leave.

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### Book 58 Fyneshade by Kate Griffin

On the day of her grandmother's funeral, Marta discovers that she is to be sent to be governess at Fyneshade, her charge the young daughter of the owner, Sir William Pritchard. All is not well at Fyneshade. Sir William is mysteriously absent, and his son and heir Vaughan is forbidden to enter the house. Marta finds herself drawn to him, despite the warnings of the housekeeper that Vaughan is a danger to all around him.

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## HUMOUR

### Book 59 Reasonable people by Caroline Hulse

CantBeArsed8: Am I the villain for being furious my partner's father changed my daughter's pirate party into a princess party? After a kid's party faux-pas, mother Janine anonymously vents about her father-in-law's behaviour on internet forum Am I The Villain Here? When the community is invited to take sides the post goes viral, with mild-mannered Roy ending up in the national newspapers and sparking protests at his local library.

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## LAW LEGAL ISSUES AND ETHICS

### Book 60 The trial by Rob Rinder

When hero policeman Grant Cliveden dies from a poisoning in the Old Bailey, it threatens to shake the country to its core. The evidence points to one man. Jimmy Knight has been convicted of multiple offences before and defending him will be no easy task. Not least because this is trainee barrister Adam Green's first case.

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### Book 61 Killing women: the true story of serial killer Don Miller's reign of terror by Rod Sadler

No one would have ever suspected that former youth pastor Don Miller was a serial killer. However, when Miller was arrested for the attempted murder of two teenagers in 1978, police quickly realized he was probably responsible for the disappearance of four women. Offered a controversial plea bargain, he led police to the bodies of the missing women. Now, after 40 years in prison, Miller has served his time and is due to be released into an unsuspecting population.

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## LITERATURE AND FICTION

### Book 62 The 6pm frazzled mum's club by Nina Manning

Whatever the question, the answer is wine! They've swapped the dark and lonely baby days for school gate chaos, but Aisha, Sophy and Mel are discovering that there are new parenting pitfalls just waiting for them. Can the three mums navigate this new stage of motherhood together and keep their friendship and their sanity? Or could life be about to change for them all over again?

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### Book 63 The 3am shattered mums' club by Nina Manning

Three best friends. One late-night lifeline. Meet Aisha, Sophy and Mel. Three new mums. All absolutely shattered. Navigating this new world of motherhood is hard. And the only sanity these three friends have is their 3am mums' club, where they can chat and support each other in the dark of the night as their babies, finally, finally sleep. But in the still of the night, secrets are revealed that could turn all their lives upside down, more than they already are!

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### Book 64 The invisible women's club by Helen Paris

Janet Pimm is used to being invisible. 70-something, with her beloved allotment for company, she simply doesn't need anyone else. But when the local council threatens to close the allotments, Janet will do anything she can to try to save them - even enlisting the help of her irritatingly upbeat and interfering neighbour Bev.

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### Book 65 Ripe by Sarah Rose Etter

A year into her dream job at a cutthroat Silicon Valley startup, Cassie is trapped in a corporate nightmare. She struggles to reconcile the promise of a city where obscene wealth lives alongside abject poverty. When her CEO's demands become illegal and she ends up unexpectedly pregnant, Cassie must decide whether the tempting fruits of Silicon Valley are worth the pain, or succumb to the black hole.

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### Book 66 Tom Lake by Ann Patchett

In the spring of 2020, Lara's three daughters return to the family's orchard in Northern Michigan. While picking cherries, they beg their mother to tell them the story of Peter Duke, a famous actor with whom she shared both a stage and a romance years before at a theater company called Tom Lake. As Lara recalls the past, her daughters examine their own lives and relationship with their mother, and are forced to reconsider the world and everything they thought they knew.

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### Book 67 The well of Saint Nobody by Neil Jordan

William Barrow finds himself in lonely retirement in West Cork. Once an internationally renowned pianist, a terrible skin disease has attacked his hands and made it impossible for him to perform. Tara is a piano teacher with barely enough pupils to pay the month's rent. In the local café, the elegant writing of a job advertisement catches her eye: 'WANTED. HOUSEKEEPER.' She begins to work in William's house, keeping to herself the knowledge that they have met three times before, encounters that have changed her life. He is oblivious to this, while she spins tales of the well discovered in his back garden and of a mythical saint, of the healing powers of the water and the moss that surrounds it.

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### Book 68 Sugar, baby by Celine Saintclare

Agnes Green is turning 21 and her life is heading nowhere. Still living at home with her devoutly religious mother in a lifeless suburb, she works as a cleaner by day. That is until she meets Emily, the daughter of one of her cleaning clients, who lives in London and works as a model - and a sugar baby. Emily's lifestyle is the escape Agnes has been longing for: tasting menus, private flights to Paris and Miami, rich older men who shower her with compliments and designer gifts. But it comes at a cost. Agnes' new life is beyond her wildest dreams, but it comes at a cost.

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### Book 69 Dear neighbour by Jane Claire Bradley

When the residents of Leodis Street are threatened with eviction, Alice knows she needs to make a stand. Reaching out to her neighbours and learning about their lives, she is surprised to discover that she might already live next door to the friends she has been yearning for. Perhaps together they can discover the true meaning of home.

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### Book 70 The widows' wine club by Julia Jarman

The beginning of Janet, Viv and Zelda's friendship could not have been less promising. Navigating their new lives as widows, the three women venture to the same dreary bereavement group in a chilly church hall. But what bonds them is not their shared predicament, but instead how quickly they all decide to flee the depressing gathering, choosing instead to share a bottle of wine.

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### Book 71 The incredible events in women's cell number 3 by Kira Yarmysh

When Anya is arrested at a Moscow anti-corruption rally under false pretences, she is given a 10-day sentence at a detention centre. Her cellmates are five other ordinary women arrested on petty charges. Ten listless days stretch before Anya and, as she appeals her sentence and recalls her progress from apolitical youth to informed citizen, she is troubled by strange, dreamlike visions, and wonders if her cellmates might somehow not be as ordinary as they seem.

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## MILITARY

### Book 72 The Paris agent by Kelly Rimmer

Twenty-five years after the end of the war, Noah Ainsworth is still preoccupied with those perilous, exhilarating years as a British SOE operative in France. A head injury sustained on his final operation has caused frustrating gaps in his memory—in particular about the agent who saved his life during that mission gone wrong, whose real name he never knew, nor whether she even survived the war. Moved by her father’s frustration, Noah’s daughter Charlotte begins a search for answers that resurrects the stories of Chloe and Fleur, the code names for two otherwise ordinary women whose lives intersect in 1943 when they're called up by the SOE for deployment in France. Taking enormous risks to support the allied troops with very little information or resources, the women have no idea they’re at the mercy of a double agent among them who's causing chaos within the French circuits, whose efforts will affect the outcome of their lives…and the war.

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### Book 73 The last masterpiece by Laura Morelli

In the summer of 1943, Eva Brunner is taking photographs of Nazi-looted art hidden in the salt mines of the Austrian hinterland. Across the ocean in Connecticut, Josephine Evans is working as a humble typist at the Yale Art Gallery. When both women are called to Italy to contribute to the war effort, neither imagines she will hold the fate of some of the world’s greatest masterpieces torn from the Uffizi Galleries and other Florentine art collections in her hands. But as Italy turns from ally to enemy and Hitler’s plan to destroy irreplaceable monuments and works of art becomes frighteningly clear, each woman’s race against the clock—and against one another—might demand more than they were prepared to give.

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### Book 74 The blood of others by Graham Hurley

Summer 1942. Abwehr intelligence officer Wilhelm Schultz is baiting a trap to lure thousands of Allied troops to their deaths. George Hogan is a devout young Canadian journalist who has caught the eye of press baron Lord Beaverbrook. Now he faces an assignment that will test his faith to breaking point.

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### Book 75 Brothers of the sword by Peter Gibbons

991 AD. As the Vikings raid and slaughter, Beornoth is forced to fight for the survival of his oath sworn brothers, his Lord, and the Kingdom itself when all roads lead to the fateful Battle of Maldon. Can Beornoth protect his people and survive one of the most famous battles of the Viking Age?

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## MYSTERY AND THRILLERS

### Book 76 12 steps to a long and fulfilling death by Sarah Smith

Stacey was trying to live her best life, but now she's dead. But why hasn't she passed on? Could it be her fatal car accident is actually murder? Detectives Ed Beaufontaine and Rose Garafino have a long list of suspects, chief among them Stacey's fiance, Liam. His business dealings and new relationship with Emily Jackson are raising a few eyebrows. As the detectives dig deeper, so does Stacey.

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### Book 77 Beloved poison by E. S. Thomson

London, 1846. Ramshackle and crumbling, St Saviour's Infirmary awaits demolition. Within its stinking wards and cramped corridors the doctors bicker and fight. Ambition, jealousy and hatred seethe beneath the veneer of professional courtesy. Always an outsider, and with a secret of her own to hide, apothecary Jem Flockhart observes everything, but says nothing. And then six tiny coffins are uncovered, inside each a handful of dried flowers and a bundle of mouldering rags.

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### Book 78 Violet Kelly and the jade owl by Fiona Britton

Sydney, 1930. In a well-heeled corner of Paddington, just a short distance from the razor gangs of Darlinghurst and Kings Cross, sits Maison des Fleurs, an upscale brothel run by the indomitable Madame. The star of Maison des Fleurs is Violet Kelly - beautiful, clever and determined to make something of herself in a world that has already taken so much. When a former associate of Madame's emerges to claim a long-owed favour involving a kidnapped girl and an ancient curse, Violet is drawn into a dangerous game of cat and mouse that takes her from dangerous underworld dealings to raucous parties to untold stories about her own past, and, eventually, right into the heart of Maison des Fleurs.

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### Book 79 The Herefordshire hangmen by Kerry Tombs

October 1891. A stranger is discovered hanging from a tree in the Malvern Hills. Detective Inspector Ravenscroft and Constable Crabb are called in to investigate. But how can they solve the murder if no one can identify the victim? Whoever killed the man must have really wanted him dead -- they strung him up and watched as he suffocated.

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### Book 80 The devil's playground by Craig Russell

1927. Hollywood studio fixer Mary Rourke is called to the home of silent movie actress Norma Carlton, star of The Devil's Playground. Finding Carlton dead, Rourke wonders if the rumours that The Devil's Playground really is a cursed production are true. But nothing in Hollywood is ever what it seems, and cynical fixer Rourke finds herself seeking out the truth she is used to covering up.

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### Book 81 Dr. Spilsbury and the Camden town killer by D. L. Douglas

London, 1920. When a woman's body is dragged from the Regent's Canal on a freezing January night, eminent forensic pathologist and criminal sleuth Dr Bernard Spilsbury immediately detects foul play. And when a second woman washes up dead under similar circumstances, police realise they are looking for a dangerous predator.

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### Book 82 Murder in the bookshop by Anita Davison

1915, London. Working in the dusty bookshop that her Aunt Violet mysteriously inherited, Hannah Merrill is accustomed to finding twists in every tale. But discovering her beloved best friend Lily-Anne - with a paperknife through her heart - in the middle of the bookshop, is not a plotline she saw coming.

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### Book 83 Assassins by Jim Eldridge

London, 1921. The Great War has recently ended and tensions in England are high. Now, prominent Cabinet minister Lord Amersham has been shot dead outside his Regent's Park home and the signs point to a professional hit. Charged with solving one of the most sensitive and high-profile cases Scotland Yard has ever faced, DCI Paul Stark is under pressure to get the job done quickly.

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### Book 84 Shadows of the dead by Jim Eldridge

London, 1921. Lord Johnny Fairfax has been found dead in his study, along with a second victim, a mysterious American who arrived unannounced the previous evening. For DCI Paul Stark, the case is personal: he's in a relationship with Lord Fairfax's former wife, Lady Amelia. The dead man had no shortage of enemies.

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### Book 85 Chaos at Carnegie Hall by Kelly Oliver

1917. New York. Notorious spy, Fredrick Fredricks, has invited Fiona to Carnegie Hall to hear a famous soprano. Fiona sees something - or someone - thrown overboard, and then she overhears a chemist plotting in German with one of her own countrymen! And the trouble doesn't stop when they disembark. Soon Fiona is doing time with a group of suffragettes and investigating America's most impressive inventor Thomas Edison.

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### Book 86 Covert in Cairo by Kelly Oliver

Cairo. December 1917. When a young French archeologist is found dead in a tomb in the desert with his head bashed in, and an undercover British agent goes missing, the threat moves closer to home. As they dig deeper, soon Fiona and Kitty uncover a treasure trove of suspects, including competing excavators, jealous husbands, secret lovers, and belligerent spies!

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### Book 87 Mayhem in the mountains by Kelly Oliver

1918, Italy. When a deadly blizzard traps Fiona Figg and Kitty Lane in the Dolomite Mountains, it's all downhill from here. Their hotel is snowed-in, and no one can get in or out. Then a man is found dead in his locked hotel room - and the killer is still on the premises.

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### Book 88 The Witching Pool by John Pilkington

England, 1617. Susanna Cobbett, teenage daughter of a powerful Worcester landowner, is found dead in a gloomy woodland pond which has an evil reputation as the Witching Pool. The girl is said to have drowned herself, driven to madness by a local widow named Agnes Mason, who is arrested on a charge of witchcraft.

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### Book 89 Deliverance by John Pilkington

England, 1618. At his manor of Thirldon, ex-Justice Belstrang - still at loggerheads with his old rival Justice Standish - receives devastating news: King James intends to purchase the estate for his favourite, the Marquis of Buckingham - and Belstrang must comply. In the ensuing turmoil, while his son-in-law George petitions the King on his behalf, Belstrang receives a plea from a dying friend, Sir Richard Mountford, to visit him at Foxhill Manor.

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### Book 90 The detective up late by Adrian McKinty

Slamming the door on the hellscape of 1980s Belfast, Detective Inspector Sean Duffy hopes that the 1990s are going to be better for him and the people of Northern Ireland. In his final days in charge of Carrickfergus CID, a missing persons report captures his attention. A fifteen-year-old traveler girl has disappeared and no one seems to give a damn about it. Duffy begins to dig and uncovers a disturbing underground of men who seem to know her very well. The deeper he digs the more sinister it all gets.

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### Book 91 Six days, six hours, six minutes by Alex Smith

When Blake Barton opens the door to a stranger one morning, he comes face to face with an unimaginable evil. Because this stranger claims to be the devil, and he promises to kill Blake--not now, but in six days, six hours, and six minutes exactly. Plunged into a nightmare race to save his wife and young son, Blake finds himself fighting not only the stranger but an army of young men who call themselves the devil's disciples--men who will do anything to please their master.

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### Book 92 Death in fine condition by Andrew Cartmel

Cordelia knows books. An addict-turned-dealer of classic paperbacks, when she's not spending her days combing the charity shops and jumble sales of suburban London for valuable collector's items, she's pining for the woman of her dreams. The most elusive prize of all, her white whale, has surfaced -- a set of magnificent, vintage Sleuth Hound crime novels. Gorgeous, and as rare as they come. Just one problem. They're not for sale. Still, that won't stop a resourceful woman like Cordelia... One burglary later, the books are hers.

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### Book 93 The followers by Bradeigh Godfrey

When a social media influencer posts a pic of her new fiancé and his daughter, she's surprised at his backlash. But the damage is done. Someone recognizes him as the man who killed her sister and kidnapped her niece.

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### Book 94 The interpreter by Brooke Robinson

Revelle is a court interpreter, and knows the power of words. She spends her days translating for other people: murderers, fraudsters, and their victims. When she spots an injustice about to take place - a guilty man on the point of being labelled innocent - she has the power to twist an alibi to get the verdict she wants. The verdict she believes is correct. She's willing to risk it all. But someone knows what she's done. And they want justice.

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### Book 95 Close quarters by Cameron Curtis

A group of idealistic young volunteers enters the rain forest to prove the tribesmen were provoked. One is killed, and another, Fiadh Connor, goes missing. Fiadh's father, billionaire Cuchulain Connor, hires Breed to find her. Connor helps Breed get a ride with Brazil's Minister of the Interior who is mounting an expedition to relieve the besieged outpost. He and his entourage will travel up the Amazon on a Navy gunboat with a platoon of Brazilian Marines.

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### Book 96 Miss Morton and the spirits of the underworld by Catherine Lloyd

Mrs. Frogerton finds her own diversions, including spiritualist gatherings at the home of Madam Lavinia, and begs Caroline to come along. Caroline is sceptical of the Madam's antics and faux French accent--until she slips a note into Caroline's hand, which contains intimate family knowledge. Even as Caroline tries to discern whether the spiritualist's powers are real, a much darker mystery presents itself.

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### Book 97 The trap by Catherine Ryan Howard

Stranded on a dark road in the middle of the night, a young woman accepts a lift from a passing stranger. It's the nightmare scenario that every girl is warned about, and she knows the dangers all too well - but what other choice does she have? As they drive, she alternates between fear and relief - one moment thinking he is just a good man doing a good thing, the next convinced he's a monster.

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### Book 98 The body below by Daniel Hecht

Once a superstar investigative reporter, disgraced by misconduct, Conn returned to his Vermont hometown to put his life back together. Conn Whitman’s long-distance swims keep him centered and sane—until a terrifying underwater encounter in a woodland lake plunges him into the middle of a murder investigation.

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### Book 99 A cool breeze on the underground by Don Winslow

Neal Carey is not your usual private eye. A graduate student at Columbia University, he grew up on the streets of New York, usually on the wrong side of the law. Then he met a PI who introduced him to the Bank, an exclusive institution with a sideline in keeping its wealthy clients happy and out of trouble. They pay Neal’s college tuition, and Neal gets an education that can’t be found in any textbook, from learning how to trail a suspect to mastering the proper way to search a room. Now it’s payback time. The Bank wants Neal to put his skills to work in finding Allie Chase, the rebellious teenage daughter of a prominent senator. The problem is that she’s gone underground in the London punk scene. To get her back, Neal has to follow her into a violent netherworld where drugs run rampant and rage is the name of the game.

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### Book 100 Lion and lamb by James Patterson and Duane Swierczynski

Veena Lion and Cooper Lamb are rival PIs working the same headline-making case about the Philadelphia Eagles starting quarterback and his Grammy-winning wife. One spouse is murdered. The other is a suspect.

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### Book 101 Thirty days of darkness by Jenny Lund Madsen

Hanna is publicly challenged to write a crime novel in 30 days. Scared that she will lose face, she accepts, and her editor sends her to Húsafjöður; a quiet, tight-knit village in Iceland, filled with colourful local characters - for inspiration. But two days after her arrival, the body of a fisherman's young son is pulled from the water.. and what begins as a search for plot material quickly turns into a messy and dangerous investigation that threatens to uncover secrets that put everything at risk.. including Hannah.

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### Book 102 Murder at the Ritz by Jim Eldridge

August 1940. On the streets of London, locals watch with growing concern as German fighter planes plague the city's skyline. But inside the famous Ritz Hotel, the cream of society continues to enjoy all the glamour and comfort that money can buy during wartime - until an anonymous man is discovered with his throat slashed open.

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### Book 103 Murder at the Savoy by Jim Eldridge

September 1940. The height of the Blitz. When The Savoy advertises its series of underground shelters, a crowd of people from East London arrive at the hotel and demand entry. There they find a shelter worthy of The Savoy's clientele, but the next morning, after the air raid and when the Stepney protestors have left, it is discovered that one of the hotel's guests is dead, stabbed through the heart.

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### Book 104 Murder at Claridge's by Jim Eldridge

One of the Claridge's kitchen porters is found dead - strangled. He was a recent employee who claimed to be Romanian, but evidence suggests he may have been German. Detective Chief Inspector Coburg has to find out exactly who he was, and what he was doing at Claridge's under a false identity.

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### Book 105 The midnight news by Jo Baker

1940. After another loss, Charlotte has an uncanny sense of foreboding. Someone is stalking the darkness, targeting her friends. Following her. She doesn't know who to trust. She can't trust herself - her family have told her so often enough. As grief and suspicion consume her, Charlotte's nerves become increasingly frayed, and soon her very freedom is under threat.

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### Book 106 Killing moon by Jo Nesbo

Two young women are missing, connected only by their attendance at the same party, hosted by a notorious businessman. When one of the women is found murdered, the police discover an unusual signature left by the killer, giving them reason to suspect he will strike again.

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### Book 107 The bequest by Joanna Margaret

Fleeing a disastrous affair with a colleague in Boston, Isabel Henley moves to Scotland to begin a PhD, only to learn upon arrival that her advisor has died mysteriously. Soon afterwards, Isabel is informed that another scholar is about to publish a book on her dissertation topic, leaving her disconcerted and in search of a new subject. After such a rocky start to life overseas, Isabel needs a good friend, and finds one when she reconnects with Rose Brewster, a charismatic former classmate. But when Rose reveals she is in trouble, then goes missing, Isabel's already unsteady life is sent into a tailspin.

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### Book 108 48 clues into the disappearance of my sister by Joyce Carol Oates

When a beautiful woman mysteriously vanishes, her sister must tally up the clues to discover her fate. Marguerite has disappeared from her small town in Upstate New York. Did she merely get away for fun? Or did she finally make the decision to leave behind her claustrophobic life of limited opportunities? Her younger sister Gigi wonders if the flimsy silk Dior dress, so casually abandoned on the floor, is a clue to Marguerite's having seemingly vanished. The police examine the footprints made by her Ferragamo boots leaving the house, ending abruptly, and puzzle over how that can help lead to her.

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### Book 109 Sleep when you're dead by Judith O'Reilly

Michael North is the man you call when there's nothing left to lose. He executes every mission with determination, skill and a certain amount of flair. There's just one problem: the bullet lodged in his brain. If it moves, he will die - and so will the mission. Now North's been sent to infiltrate a doomsday cult on a remote island off the coast of Scotland to stop the terrorist attack its leader is planning on the mainland.

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### Book 110 Foul play at Seal Bay by Judy Leigh

It was meant to be the start of quiet season in the sleepy Cornish village of Seal Bay, but not for sexagenarian librarian and wild swimming enthusiast Morwenna Mutton. Because when a local businessman is found on the beach with a bread knife is his back, bungling police officer DI Rick Tremayne is soon out of his depth. Morwenna knows it's going to be down to her to crack the case.

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### Book 111 Another person by Kang Hwagil

'Vacuum cleaner bitch'. When Jina sees this anonymous comment on a forum it forces her out of her stupor. It is posted on a website dissecting her public allegations of workplace sexual assault, the backlash to which forced her to quit her job. She has spent months glued to her laptop screen, junk-food packaging piling up around her, tracking the hate campaign that's raging against her online. This post stands out from the noise, for it could only have been made by someone who knew her as a student at university. The comment stirs something deeply repressed.

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### Book 112 Cold blooded liar by Karen Rose

Detective Kit McKittrick works homicide in the hope that one day she will find out what happened to her foster sister, Wren. When a tip from an anonymous caller leads her to the body of a girl whose murder has the hallmarks of a serial killer at large for almost 20 years, it also leads her to the information's source: Dr Sam Reeves.

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### Book 113 The killing place by Kate Ellis

When a man is shot dead on Bonfire Night, DI Wesley Peterson realises this will not be the quiet month he was expecting. Patrick North's body is discovered in woodland connected to the 18th-century estate of Nesbaraton Hall. North had been an employee of the Smithsons, the estate owners who are away on holiday.

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### Book 114 The misper by Kate London

Following the death in the line of duty of a fellow detective, DI Sarah Collins has left the capital for a quieter life in the countryside. But when a missing teenager turns up on her patch, she finds herself drawn into a much bigger investigation - one that leads her right back to London, back to the Met, and back to Ryan Kennedy, the kid who killed a cop.

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### Book 115 Death on the Isle by M. H. Eccleston

When Victor Leech, the local busybody, is found washed up under the town pier, Astrid thinks lightning has struck twice. She's stumbled on a fresh case that only she and her new art club friends can solve. But getting to the bottom of the unexplained death will draw out powerful new enemies...

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### Book 116 The lost by Mari Hannah

Alex arrives home from holiday to find that her ten-year-old son Daniel has disappeared. It's the first case together for Northumbria CID officers David Stone and Frankie Oliver. But as the investigation unfolds, they realise the family's betrayal goes deeper than anyone suspected. This isn't just a missing persons case. Stone and Oliver are hunting a killer.

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### Book 117 The insider by Mari Hannah

In the incident room, the murder wall makes grim reading: three women have been killed within the past year and nothing links the crimes. Joanna Cosgrove is the latest victim, her body discovered fully clothed close to a railway line in the Tyne Valley. The MO is the same as the other three, but the words "serial killer" are not welcome in the Northumbria force. And the manner in which she was killed is too close to home for Frankie.

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### Book 118 The scandal by Mari Hannah

When a man is found stabbed to death in a side street in Newcastle city centre, it looks like a botched robbery to DCI David Stone. But when DS Frankie Oliver arrives at the crime scene, she gets more than she bargained for. She IDs the victim as Herald court reporter, Chris Adams, who she's known since they were kids.

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### Book 119 Black fell by Mari Hannah

The peace of Kielder Water is shattered when tourists open a barrel they found floating in the reservoir at dawn. Detectives Stone and Oliver are called to examine the skeletal remains inside. The tourists are eliminated from the investigation, but that same day a second body is discovered - this one with skin.

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### Book 120 A blind eye by Marion Todd

Harry Richards, a local solicitor, is found in his car, throat slit. DI Clare Mackay is on the case. She soon learns that Harry was not the upstanding man he seemed to be. Finding the killer should be easy. Then the wife of one of Harry's colleagues is discovered dead in her car, and Clare realises there is something more sinister at play ...

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### Book 121 Sandstorm by Mark Dawson

In the city of Cairo, a sandstorm is coming. Group Fifteen operative and ex-MI6 officer Charlie Cooper is working undercover as a political negotiator. Attending a conference surrounded by diplomats, businessmen and lobbyists, nobody would suspect what he really does for a living.

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### Book 122 The prophet by Michael Koryta

Adam Austin hasn't spoken to his brother in years. When they were teenagers, their sister was abducted and murdered, and their devastated family never recovered. Kent Austin is the beloved coach of the local high school football team, a hero in the community. Just before playoffs begin, the town and the team are thrown into shock when horrifically, impossibly, another teenage girl is found murdered. When details emerge that connect the crime to the Austin brothers, the two are forced to unite to stop a killer - and to confront their buried rage and grief before history repeats itself again.

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### Book 123 Never far away by Michael Koryta

Once a pilot, mother, wife, and witness to a gruesome crime, Nina had to flee her old life to save her family. She reinvented herself as Leah Trenton, a guide in the Allagash Wilderness in northern Maine. She never expected to see her children again, but now tragedy has returned them to her—only they have no idea that she’s their mother—and delivered all of them back into danger.

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### Book 124 Saints by Nicholas Sansbury Smith

In the aftermath of a devastating civil war, America has fallen into anarchy and chaos. Los Angeles is divided into different territories controlled by criminal organizations. Don Antonio Moretti has won a slice of the pie but is hungry for more. In his quest for power, he sends his nephew and a small crew to Mexico, to negotiate a new deal for their staple product, while the don returns to Italy for some unfinished business. While the crime families battle for power in LA, Dominic Salvatore and his elite team at the LAPD fight tirelessly to stem the rot. But their fight often seems futile in a force rife with corruption. Dom’s father, Ronaldo, is a deputy fighting to secure the border, but when intel arises about his missing daughter, he leaves Los Angeles for the desert wastes, to find her and bring her home. To the Morettis and the Salvatores, family is everything, and they will protect their own no matter the cost.

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### Book 125 Sinners by Nicholas Sansbury Smith

The motto of Marine Sergeant Ronaldo Salvatore lives on in his son, Dominic, and his undercover team known as the Saints. With the support of LAPD Captain Zed Marks, the Saints embark on a mission to destroy the criminal organizations that have a stranglehold on Los Angeles. Through brains, cunning, and sheer ruthlessness, the most powerful leader, Don Antonio Moretti, has risen from underdog to contender for the throne. He believes that only the Vega family of narcos stands in his way, but he has underestimated another underdog. As the Morettis and Vegas slug it out, the Saints go outside the law to deliver the City of Angels from evil. In this three-way death match, the streets will run with blood before a victor ever emerges.

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### Book 126 Nothing bad happens here by Nikki Crutchley

Nothing bad ever happens in the small seaside town of Castle Bay - until the body of missing tourist Bethany Haliwell is found in the bush, buried in a shallow grave. News crews and journalists from all over the country descend as old secrets are dragged up and gossip is taken as gospel.

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### Book 127 The daughter in law by Nina Manning

As a single mother, Annie has an especially close relationship with her son, Ben. They have always been together. Just the two of them. So, when Ben brings home his mysterious beautiful new wife, Daisy, immediately Annie doesn't trust her. Who is this woman who has taken her son away from her? And what is she hiding? She'll protect him with her life.

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### Book 128 Her darkest fear by Nina Manning

Frankie Keegan is struggling. Not only is she juggling being a good mother, a good wife, a good colleague, she is also desperately trying to keep the dark secrets of her past buried where they belong. And that is not proving to be easy. Someone else remembers.

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### Book 129 The house mate by Nina Manning

When Regi moves into her new house share, she's ready for a clean slate. A new home. A new routine. A new identity? Desperate to escape the shadow of her past that follows her everywhere she goes, Regi finds the ideal distraction in the perfect lives of others on social media. But as innocent scrolling turns into an unhealthy obsession, Regi will soon learn that seeking perfection comes at a price?

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### Book 130 The only one left by Riley Sager

The Hope family murders shocked the Maine coast one bloody night in 1929. While most assume 17-year-old Lenora Hope was responsible, the police couldn't prove it. It's now 1983, and home-health aide Kit McDeere arrives at Hope's End to care for Lenora. One night, Lenora uses it to make a tantalising offer - I want to tell you everything. But Kit starts to suspect Lenora isn't telling the complete truth - and that the seemingly harmless woman in her care could be far more dangerous than she first thought.

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### Book 131 The fine art of invisible detection by Robert Goddard

Umiko Wada has had quite enough excitement in her life. With her husband recently murdered and a mother who seems to want her married again before his body is cold, she just wants to keep her head down. As secretary to a private detective, her life is pleasingly uncomplicated, filled with coffee runs, diary management and paperwork. That is, until her boss takes on a new case. A case which turns out to be dangerous enough to get him killed.

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### Book 132 The fine art of uncanny prediction by Robert Goddard

A businessman who wants Umiko Wada to track down his estranged son offers what appears to be a straightforward assignment. But she should have known that the simplest cases are never really simple at all. Soon she finds herself pulled into a labyrinthine conspiracy with links to a twenty-seven-year-old investigation by her late employer, and to the chaos and trauma of the dying days of the Second World War.

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### Book 133 The innocent and the dead by Robert McNeill

A local distiller's daughter has gone missing, and when he receives a ransom note, his fears that it is a kidnapping are confirmed. Knox decides to take a serious risk to capture the abductors, but the stakes could not be higher. The father is wealthy and well-connected. If Knox's gamble goes wrong, he'll have hell to pay.

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### Book 134 Murder at flood tide by Robert McNeill

Detective Jack Knox is faced with a troubling case when a woman's body is found on a beach near Edinburgh. Police match her to missing persons, because her personal effects have been swept out to sea. When she is finally identified, the victim's last known movements are investigated. She was courted by a man who proves elusive, having evaded surveillance cameras. He has covered his tracks well. Was this her killer?

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### Book 135 Dead of night by Robert McNeill

A lecturer is killed and dumped in the Union Canal. When DI Jack Knox investigates his past, he discovers a long list of old flames. Quite the lothario, the victim left several pining women and jealous husbands in his wake. There is no shortage of suspects. So, who put an end to the gigolo's antics?

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### Book 136 Noughts and crosses by Robert McNeill

DI Jack Knox's Edinburgh team are busy dealing with a series of violent rapes when a man is found murdered on a residential street. The detective splits the under-resourced squad and follows up the murder himself, quickly establishing that there is no shortage of individuals who would have wanted the man dead. The victim had secured private investments for NewTech, a video games company that fell foul of copyright law. A lot of serious people lost serious money. Whilst Knox treads on eggshells and traces the finances, the rest of the team led by his real life partner, DC Yvonne Mason, focus on the rape. They zone in on the perpetrator, but cornered and desperate, their quarry won't go without a fight.

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### Book 137 A view to murder by Robert McNeill

Cases come in thick and fast for the veteran crime solver ... A student meets an untimely demise when she falls from Salisbury Crags in Edinburgh's Holyrood Park. Was she pushed? Whilst DI Jack Knox is picking through the lies of the victim's friends, he is called upon to help the narcotics division on the other side of the city. A drug dealer is dead and the squad is setting up a deadly sting.

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### Book 138 Confession to murder by Robert McNeill

Edinburgh detectives hunt a man with an instinct to kill... After wrangling with his conscience, a priest approaches Edinburgh police and reports that a man confessed to killing a young woman. During a passionate petting session with the girl, he flipped and strangled her. Following a hunch that the victim could be a missing Canadian tourist, DI Jack Knox scrambles his team to track him down. Yet their only lead is the confession, and they have little other information to go on.

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### Book 139 The killing room by Robert Swartwood

While on vacation in Las Vegas, a businessman wakes up in a strange hotel room to find a dead woman in the bathtub. Panicked, he runs. But before he can get far, a pair of detectives stop him. Desperate, he tells them that he’s innocent. That there’s no way he killed the woman. That he’ll do anything not to go to prison. That’s when they offer him a way out. But there is no way out—as the detectives will soon learn.

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### Book 140 Missing by Ruby Speechley

Single mum Ellie is shown a missing person post on Facebook. It's of her three-year-old son, Tyler. But he's right there, holding her hand. Surely this is some kind of prank - she knows her friend Louise can go too far with her jokes sometimes. And Ellie is used to the other mums gossiping at the school gates. But now the other parents are questioning whether Tyler is really her child.

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### Book 141 Zero days by Ruth Ware

Hired by companies to break into buildings and hack security systems, Jack and her husband Gabe are the best penetration specialists in the business. But after a routine assignment goes horribly wrong, Jack arrives home to find her husband dead. To add to her horror, the police are closing in on their only suspect - her.

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### Book 142 The night raven by Sarah Painter

Lydia has always known she has no power, especially next to her infamous and more-than-slightly dodgy family. Which is why she carved her own life as a private investigator far away from London. When a professional snafu forces her home, the head of the family calls in a favour, and Lydia finds herself investigating the disappearance of her cousin, Maddie.

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### Book 143 The silver mark by Sarah Painter

London is Lydia Crow's city so when a man is found hanged under Blackfriars Bridge, she takes it personally. Even when it seems as if the Silver Family might be involved, Lydia refuses to back down. The Silver Family, who run the finest law firm in London, have a gift for persuasion. In the Bad Old Days it was said they could make a man jump off a roof by convincing him he could fly.

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### Book 144 The fox's curse by Sarah Painter

Lydia Crow has long suspected there is more beneath London than just trains but has never been keen to poke around in the dark. But when Paul Fox, powerful member of the Fox Family, blackmails her into taking a case, she has no choice. Investigating a suspicious death in a disused tunnel of the London Underground for her ex-boyfriend causes friction between her and DCI Fleet - and not the fun kind.

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### Book 145 The pearl king by Sarah Painter

Lydia is pulled into the Crow Family business by her shady Uncle Charlie. He has decided that Lydia needs to learn the truth about her infamous Family and to step into her role within it - whether she likes it or not. After Lydia's wrongful arrest, her relationship with DCI Fleet is decidedly rocky, but when a teenage girl goes missing from Highgate Woods she must put aside her emotions and work the case.

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### Book 146 The copper heart by Sarah Painter

Lydia has taken over as the leader of the Crow Family and is trying to keep the criminality to the bare minimum. DCI Fleet has told her he is 'all in' but there have to be limits and Lydia doesn't want to find out what they are. When the head of the Silver Family, Alejandro, drops down dead, Lydia needs to work out whether it was natural causes or murder. And fast.

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### Book 147 The shadow wing by Sarah Painter

There's a new Crow in town ... After the explosive events of The Copper Heart, Lydia must deal with a secret service operative with murder in his heart. The mysterious Mr Smith has sent a professional assassin after Lydia and the bonds of blood are stretched to breaking point when it turns out to be someone very close to home. Meanwhile, the head of the powerful Silver Family is demanding a favour and Lydia must comply or risk their fledgling alliance.

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### Book 148 The broken cage by Sarah Painter

Get the Crow. A man dies in a locked room, leaving a message written in blood and a lot of unanswered questions. Lydia is still recovering from the fallout with her psychopathic cousin, but there are new threats to the Crows, and she must fight to maintain her position as leader of the Family.

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### Book 149 The magpie key by Sarah Painter

Black water, dark skies, a reckoning like no other. A new threat has sailed in on the tide and is haunting the waterways of London. DCI Fleet is struggling to control his gift and can no longer tell reality from illusion. Meanwhile, Uncle Charlie is making trouble from his prison cell, proving how hard it is to keep a Crow caged. Worst of all, the truce between London's four magical Families lies in ruins. If Lydia can't rebuild it, and fast, all will be lost.

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### Book 150 Dirt by Sarah Sultoon

When the body of an Arab worker is discovered in the dirt of the kibbutz chicken house, it triggers a series of events that puts the whole community in jeopardy. The cub reporter Jonny Murphy begins to uncover secrets that put everything at risk, and realises just how far some people will go to belong.

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### Book 151 Should I fall by Scott Shepherd

When NYPD Detective John Frankel's ex-wife is discovered murdered on the floor of his Manhattan studio apartment, he instantly becomes the prime suspect. Frankel's gun is linked to the fatal bullet, he had a motive, and he flees the city, all of which convinces his colleagues of his guilt. In spite of the mounting evidence, Frankel's bride-to-be, Rachel Grant, and her father, Austin Grant, formerly a detective at Scotland Yard in London, are certain of Frankel's innocence.

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### Book 152 Burning bridges by Stephanie Harte

Nobody stays at the top forever... Since East End loan shark Davie Saunders was murdered, his widow and three daughters have taken control of the business. But it's harder to gain the respect of their clients than they imagined, especially when Mum Amanda can't get her girls to work together. Fragile eldest daughter Mia seems to be crumbling under the pressure, wild-child Kelsey is taking a casual approach to responsibility, and pampered princess Scarlett is more focused on finding out the truth about her missing boyfriend than keeping the business afloat.

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### Book 153 Triggers by Stephen Leather

Marianne is an assassin. One of the best in the business. Except killing isn't her business - it's her way of getting revenge. Revenge that has been a long time coming. But there are dark forces who want to use Marianne for their own ends. Dark forces who will do whatever is necessary to acquire her skills.

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### Book 154 Clean kill by Stephen Leather

Terrorists have shot down a British helicopter in West Africa and taken the crew hostage. Their lives are on the line and the British government is refusing to negotiate. Shepherd and an SAS team fly out to the badlands of Mali to rescue the kidnapped Brits. But the mission takes Shepherd away from an investigation in a high security prison that is about to explode into violence. Hundreds of lives are at risk, and Shepherd is running out of time.

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### Book 155 Murder in Siena by T. A Williams

Dan Armstrong and the new love of his life, Anna, are heading to a hotel deep in the gorgeous Tuscan countryside for a long weekend, looking forward to some time away from the stresses of their day jobs. With the beautiful and historic city of Siena just around the corner, it promises to be relaxing and enjoyable. But when a mutilated body is discovered in the hotel grounds Dan is called in to help with the investigation.

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### Book 156 The ship of death by Vera Morris

At Rooks Wood Farm, Rosalind Breen's twin sons grieve her death. Daniel shoulders the burdens of running the farm and caring for his brother, Caleb, who is shunned for his strange appearance. Meanwhile, Minsmere Bird Reserve is suffering a spate of vandalism, and senior partners of the Anglican Detective Agency, Frank Diamond and Laurel Bowman, are enlisted to find the culprits.

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### Book 157 The great shroud by Vera Morris

Aldeburgh, 1972. The local community is devastated by the accidental death of a local fisherman. Another tragedy to add to the recent murders of three young women. Soon, Laurel Bowman, Frank Diamond and the rest of the Anglian Detective Agency are pulled in to investigate another complex and dangerous case.

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### Book 158 Grave intentions by R V Raman

Seasoned detective Harith Athreya is back, this time to investigate suspicious incidences on a riverside dig in the heart of remote Bundelkhand. In this place, rich in myth and history, the legend goes that anyone who sets foot on nearby island Naaz Tapu would be cursed forever. When an archaeologist defies local folklore, the fallout is swift and deadly. Is the death a result of the ancient curse - or a more down-to-earth case of murder?

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### Book 159 Hour of the assassin by Matthew Quirk

As a Secret Service agent, Nick Averose spent a decade protecting the powerful by thinking like an assassin. Now, he uses that skill to test security around our highest officials for vulnerabilities. His latest assignment is the home of the former CIA director. But when Nick enters the man's study, he finds that someone has attacked the chief and left him for dead, just moments before. Nick knows he's the perfect scapegoat. But who is framing him, and why?

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### Book 160 Inside threat by Matthew Quirk

The White House has been breached; the President forced to flee to a massive doomsday bunker outside DC to defend against whatever comes next. Erik Hill has given his life to the Secret Service. Despite his disillusionment from seeing Washington corruption up close, Erik can't ignore years of instincts honed on the job. The evidence leads him to a conspiracy at the highest levels of power, with the attack orchestrated by some of the very individuals now locked in with him. As the killers strike inside the bunker, it will take everything Erik Hill has to save his people, himself, and his country.

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### Book 161 Coming up roses by Kim M Watt

There's a fine line between 'eccentric' and 'a danger to oneself and others'. That's certainly what DI Adams is thinking when a body turns up in Rose's freezer. Rose might not look like an octogenarian black widow, but it's the inspector's job to follow the evidence. Alice and the ladies of the Toot Hansell Women's Institute, however, couldn't disagree more. They don’t believe for a moment that Rose is responsible for anything worse than a little forgetfulness, and they're certainly not going to let her be hauled off to jail or an old folk's home for a crime she didn’t commit. They're taking matters into their own hands, and if certain detective inspectors have rather limiting beliefs regarding what constitutes helping the police with their investigations, well, they shall just have to deal with it.

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### Book 162 Out of nowhere by Sandra Brown

The lives of young mother Elle Portman and high-rolling consultant Calder Hudson collide under devastating circumstances, culminating in a desperate manhunt that will change their futures forever.

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### Book 163 The widow's strike by Brad Taylor

The enemy you see isn't the one you should fear. A genetically manipulated disease has fallen into the wrong hands. The Taskforce - a highly classified Special Forces unit - faces their most lethal mission yet. The Black Widows, a group of female suicide terrorists known for their unrivalled kill rate, are ready to unleash it. If an infected Black Widow detonates in the US, she'll begin a global pandemic.

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### Book 164 Home before dark by J. P. Pomare

As the third wave of the virus hits, all inhabitants of Melbourne are given until 8 pm to get to their homes. Wherever they are when the curfew begins, they must live for four weeks and stay within five kilometres of. When Lou's son, Samuel, doesn't arrive home by nightfall, she begins to panic.He doesn't answer his phone. He doesn't message. His social media channels are inactive. Lou is out of her mind with worry, but she can't go to the police, because she has secrets of her own. Secrets that Samuel just can't find out about. Lou must find her son herself and bring him home.

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### Book 165 Barren grounds by B. Michael Radburn

In 1960s Sydney, a killer stalks the streets - and one cop will risk everything to stop him. The calling card of the killer known as 'The Jeweller' is as elegant as it is gruesome: a pair of ring fingers, separated from their owners, encircled by a band of wire, and delivered directly to Senior Detective Joe Capello.

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### Book 166 Heaven sent by Alan Carter

Detective Sergeant Philip 'Cato' Kwong is light on sleep but high on happiness with his new wife Sharon Wang and their baby girl. But contentment is not compatible with life in the Job, and soon a series of murders of Fremantle's homeless people gets in the way of Cato's newfound bliss.

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### Book 167 Kickback by Garry Disher

Wyatt robs banks and payroll vans. Most men like him are dead or in jail, but Wyatt stamps a cold, pitiless style on his heists and has never been caught. Now his funds are low and his luck is running out - until the day Anna Reid explains about the kickback in her partner's safe. But other players are involved. In Wyatt's world, there is no yielding, no redemption, and when he's crossed, the outcome is inevitable.

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### Book 168 Paydirt by Garry Disher

Careful, exacting and ruthless, Wyatt is a consummate criminal. This time the job is a payroll and bank run in the north of South Australia, an outpost town suddenly transformed by a pipeline construction project that brings petty crime, prostitution - and opportunity. It's a town with its own secrets and Wyatt isn't quick to trust at the best of times. But he's on the run and he can't afford to be choosy.

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### Book 169 Deathdeal by Garry Disher

On the run after a payroll heist that went horribly wrong, wanted by the police and contract hitmen, Wyatt discovers that a shadowy third player has joined the hunt. Enter Stolle. Stolle specialises in finding people who don't want to be found. But who is his Brisbane client? Is this a trap Wyatt's walking into? And what of the score itself, the suburban bank with two million in the vault? It looks easy enough - if you don't count a bank manager who owes favours to the wrong people, a gun-running pilot, grifters, bent cops and punks with ambition...There's death in a deal like that.

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## PARENTING AND FAMILY

### Book 170 Truths I never told you by Kelly Rimmer

With her father recently moved to a care facility, Beth Walsh volunteers to clear out the family home and is surprised to discover the door to her childhood playroom padlocked. She’s even more shocked at what’s behind it—a hoarder’s mess of her father’s paintings, mounds of discarded papers and miscellaneous junk in the otherwise fastidiously tidy house. As she picks through the clutter, she finds a loose journal entry in what appears to be her late mother’s handwriting. Beth and her siblings grew up believing their mother died in a car accident when they were little more than toddlers, but this note suggests something much darker. Beth soon pieces together a disturbing portrait of a woman suffering from postpartum depression and a husband who bears little resemblance to the loving father Beth and her siblings know. With a newborn of her own and struggling with motherhood, Beth finds there may be more tying her and her mother together than she ever suspected.

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### Book 171 A reunion at Mulberry Lane by Rosie Clarke

1949. To pursue her daughter's destiny, Fay must train in London and Peggy is faced with a dilemma of moving the family back to London once more. Meanwhile, Peggy's elder daughter Janet has her own troubles. She fears her husband is having an affair and is desperately unhappy. Peggy is torn two ways and can only hope that a reunion with her friends at Christmas can help resolve her problems.

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### Book 172 Stormy days on Mulberry Lane by Rosie Clarke

Peggy Ronoscki is happily settling back into life running her guesthouse on Mulberry Lane, surrounded by close friends and family. Life just seems too good..but then disaster strikes. Pip, her beloved son is left in a coma following a devastating car crash and a young girl collapses in the market leaving Peggy no option but to nurse her back to health.

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### Book 173 Land girls at the wartime bookshop by Lesley Eames

Kate has always found life on Brimbles Farm difficult, but she is struggling more than ever to find time for the bookshop, for her friends - and for handsome pilot Leo Kinsella. Can two Land Girls help?

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### Book 174 The motherload by Katy Cox

Mishaps at work. Misery at the school gate. Mayhem at home. It'll get easier when he starts school... That's what Lucy was told, and she believed it. But now that her autistic son Stanley has joined Reception, his obsession with Africa and daily screaming fits at the school gates haven't exactly won him or Lucy any popularity contests.

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### Book 175 An unusual boy by F. E. Higgins

Julia Curtis's eleven-year-old son, Jackson, is different. Different to his sisters. Different to his classmates. In fact, Jackson is different from everyone. And bringing up a child who is different isn't always easy. Then, one Monday morning, Jackson follows his new friend Digby into the school toilets. What happens inside changes everything; not only for Jackson, but for every member of his family.

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### Book 176 The last list of Mabel Beaumont by Laura Pearson

The list he left her had just one item on it. Or, at least, it did at first. Mabel Beaumont's husband Arthur loved lists. He'd leave them for her everywhere. Remember: eggs, butter, sugar. I love you: today, tomorrow, always. But now Arthur is gone. He died: softly, gently, not making a fuss. But he's still left her a list. It has just one item on it: 'Find D'. Mabel feels sure she knows what it means. She must track down her best friend Dot, who she hasn’t seen since the fateful day she left more than sixty years ago. It seems impossible. She doesn’t even know if Dot’s still alive. Also, every person Mabel talks to seems to need help first, with missing husbands, daughters, parents. Mabel finds her list is just getting longer, and she’s still no closer to finding Dot. What she doesn’t know is that her list isn’t just about finding her old friend. And that if she can admit the secrets of the past, maybe she could even find happiness again…

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### Book 177 This could be us by Claire McGowan

Kate has done the unthinkable. She'd worked hard to build a perfect life for herself, while ignoring her growing unhappiness. When her second child was born profoundly disabled, reality hit. Kate left, disappearing without a trace. She ends up in LA, with a glittering career, a new family, and suffocating guilt.

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### Book 178 Heartache at Blackberry Farm by Rosie Clarke

Cambridgeshire - 1941. As the war rages on in Europe, it brings untold heartache to the Talbot family at Blackberry Farm. First Tom is missing in action and then his brother John, leaving the family distraught with worry. Faith finds herself in trouble and turns to Lizzie for support as fear and grief bring them closer together. But tragedy is never too far away and when it strikes, it may not be those who fight that suffer most.

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### Book 179 The mistress of Ashmore Castle by Cynthia Harrod-Eagles

England, 1903. Giles, the Earl of Stainton, has fled from his stifling duties to resume his research in Egypt, leaving behind his wife Kitty, and his infant son. Kitty, still reeling from Giles' sudden departure, struggles to keep spirits high in the castle and establish herself as the true mistress of the house, an impossible task given how many secrets the inhabitants are hiding from her.

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### Book 180 War clouds over Blackberry Farm by Rosie Clarke

Cambridgeshire - March 1939. As the clouds of war begin to gather in Europe, the Talbot family of rural Blackberry Farm will be torn apart, just as so many families all over the world will be. Life will never be the same again. Whilst in London, the Salmons family will feel the pain of parting and loss. Brought together by war, the two families become intertwined and, as the outlook looks bleak, they must draw on each other's strength to fight through the hard times.

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### Book 181 Love and duty at Blackberry Farm by Rosie Clarke

Cambridgeshire - 1942. As a new year begins and the war continues, young Artie Talbot feels trapped. In his heart he longs to fight, like his two brothers, for his king and country but is duty tied to Blackberry Farm. As feelings grow between Artie and Jeanie Salmons, Artie wonders if marriage will help him to finally accept his lot and settle down.

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### Book 182 Golden dreams by Anna Jacobs

Lancashire, 1895. Edward Ollerton has returned to the valley to rebuild his ancestral home. Hoping to one day marry and start a family, Edward finds himself drawn to the shy, attractive widow - but not everyone is happy to see him reclaim his estate.. Will their dreams fade to dust, or can a golden future blossom on the shores of Jubilee Lake?

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### Book 183 Winter's orphan by Katie Flynn

When tragedy strikes, Libby Andrews is left homeless and destitute, fending for herself on the capital's most dangerous streets. Desperate times call for desperate measures, and Libby is on the cusp of making a decision that could jeopardise her future when a local boy saves her from ruin.

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### Book 184 The Land Girl's secret by Fenella-Jane Miller

Essex 1941. Unhappy with life at home with her privileged family, Hannah Austen-Bagshaw runs away to join the Land Girls Army, carrying with her a dark and terrible secret. Life on the farm is tough, but when Hannah meets handsome working-class flight lieutenant, Jack, they form an immediate friendship. But unbeknownst to Jack, Hannah is sheltering a young German pilot who has crash-landed in a nearby field. Torn between her duty and her humanity, Hannah knows she risks being arrested as a traitor, but she cannot see the young pilot suffer.

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### Book 185 Meet me in Central Park by Jo Bartlett

Will their Christmas wish come true? Libby Cooper hasn't celebrated Christmas since the night her parents died in a terrible accident. She wants to forget that the season of goodwill even exists; but her grandmother has other ideas. It's time for Libby to start living her life just as her parents would have wanted her to do.

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### Book 186 Where we belong by Sarah Bennett

On paper, Hope Travers has an idyllic life. Living in a bustling farmhouse with her mum, aunt and uncles, cousin and too many dogs to count, surrounded by the breath-taking Cotswolds countryside, she knows she is privileged and protected. But all families have secrets, and the Travers family are no exception.

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### Book 187 In from the cold by Sarah Bennett

Amelia Riley and Ben Lawson have something in common - fathers who have kept secrets. On the day of his father's funeral, Ben's life changes forever when a woman he's never met shows up claiming to be his sister. As he investigates the past, Ben is shaken to discover that much of his life has been built on a carefully constructed foundation of his father's lies.

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## POETRY

### Book 188 The captain's verses: love poems by Pablo Neruda

Pablo Neruda, winner of the Nobel Prize for Literature, finished writing The Captain's Verses in 1952 while in exile on the island of Capri. Surrounded by sea, sun, and Capri's natural splendors, Neruda addressed these poems to his lover Matilde Urrutia before they were married, but he didn't publish them publicly until 1963. This complete collection has become a classic for love-struck readers around the world.

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### Book 189 The flaw in the pattern by Rachael Mead

This is an alive, refreshing and, quite literally, elemental book of water and skin, muscle and fire. Rachael Mead's poems are immediate and grounded whilst entwined with fragility and struggle. They don't shy from the difficulties and sadness as well as joy in human kinship. Along the way Mead offers us a clear-eyed self-consciousness of the human within the larger places of the earth, in this case places such as Antarctica, Kati Thanda-Lake Eyre, Ikara-Flinders Ranges. The book offers us an embodied sense of secular ritual in its attentiveness and its use of form-lists, lyric iterations, admonitions-as the poet both argues and confides with herself and us, about the wild pleasures of earth's physical and emotional topographies, and of our responsibilities within all this. A powerful and invigorating book of journeys well worth taking.

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### Book 190 Journey through poetry anthology 2023 by Multiple authors

A collection of poems written by the participants in a poetry writing workshop hosted by Vision Australia Library.

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## POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

### Book 191 With the falling of the dusk by Stan Grant

History is turning. In only a few short decades, we have come a long way from Francis Fukuyama's declaration of the 'end of history' and the triumph of liberal democracy in 1989. Now, with the inexorable rise and rise of China, the ascendancy of authoritarianism and the retreat of democracy, the world stands at a moment of crisis. This is a time of momentous upheaval and enormous geopolitical shifts, compounded by global pandemics, looming world depression, Islamist and far right terror, and a resurgent white supremacy. The world is in lockdown and the showdown with China is accelerated - and while the West has been at the forefront of history for 200 years, it must now adapt to a world it no longer dominates. At this moment, we stand on a precipice - what will become of us? Stan Grant is one of our foremost observers and chroniclers of the world in crisis. Weaving his personal experiences of reporting from the front lines of the world's flashpoints, together with his deep understanding of politics, history and philosophy, he explores what is driving the world to crisis and how it might be averted. From China to North Korea and Northern Ireland to South Africa and the Middle East - Stan captures this moment of democracy in retreat and authoritarianism on the march. He fears for the worst, but begins to chart the way forward. There is bitterness, anger and history here, but there is also the capacity for negotiation, forgiveness and hope.

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## ROMANCE

### Book 192 Unexpected by Kelly Rimmer

Abby Herbert has her life carefully planned out. But then she gets devastating news from her doctor - if she wants a baby, she needs to get started on that by...well, yesterday. Tech entrepreneur Marcus Ross has been harbouring decidedly more-than-friends feelings toward Abby and promises to be there for her. It isn't long until boundaries start to blur, and a deal struck between friends starts to turn into something perilously close to feelings that could change everything...

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### Book 193 Unspoken by Kelly Rimmer

Isabel Winton had planned to spend the last few days of her marriage at her vacation home, intending to reflect, regroup...or maybe just do some solitary sulking. Instead, she collides with her almost ex, Paul, who has the same idea. Too stubborn to leave, Isabel figures this is a chance for them to get some closure. But she's astonished to see that months apart have transformed her emotionally aloof husband into 'Paul 2.0', more open than ever before. Paul was blindsided when Isabel left him. He had no idea she felt he was more committed to his career than to their marriage. With his new, hard-won self-awareness, he blames himself for letting her walk away. But winning her back will take more than simple words. It'll mean finding the courage to grow, to trust, and grab a second chance at life by each other's sides.

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### Book 194 Undone by Kelly Rimmer

Running a major tech company without breaking a sweat? No problem. But being bridesmaid at her best friend’s wedding is giving Jess Cohen a bad case of the jitters. Maybe that’s because she’ll have to face the groom’s brother, Jake—the man she’s been avoiding for the last two years. Jake, who Jess dumped mercilessly, unable to tell him the truth about her past. Jake, who’s loyal, loving and all wrong for someone who refuses to be tied down. If only Jess’s heart could remember that. Jake Winton spent four months secretly dating Jess, and the past two years trying—and failing—to forget her. He’d been ready to propose, convinced Jess was every bit as in love with him as he was with her. Now he’s sure their connection is still there, sizzling and undeniable. Whatever she’s holding back, he can handle—if only she’ll trust him with her secrets, her fears and her heart.

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### Book 195 Outback winds: the jillaroo by Annie Seaton

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### Book 196 Sweet victory by Beverley Watts

Against all odds, perfectly ordinary girl next door, Victory Shackleford has won the heart of Hollywood heartthrob Noah Westbrook. But after a whirlwind courtship, the dust is now settling and Tory is faced with the reality of life with the most famous actor in the world. And it's not all hearts and flowers, especially as the media seem intent on digging up every bit of dirt about her they can possibly find.

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### Book 197 A Scot's pride by Eliza Knight

Lord Bryson Mackenzie Fraser is in need of a wife, but not just any bride will do. He needs someone unaware of his reputation in the Highlands, or the stipulations behind his inheritance. Then he overhears an old baron speak of the five beautiful daughters he must marry off before he dies.

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### Book 198 The perfect lover by Stephanie Laurens

Simon has never considered Portia as a potential wife. But a heated kiss abruptly alters the rules of their interaction, and soon they begin to long for the moments they can spend in each other's arms.

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### Book 199 Faith by Beverley Watts

When Faith Shackleford found herself in the unenviable position of having to accompany her irascible father to convalesce in the genteel seaside town of Torquay, she envisioned three months of wearying monotony, She certainly wasn't expecting to be intrigued by the forlorn empty house situated next to their own elegant villa, especially when she discovered it belonged to a handsome captain in the Royal Navy who was currently away at sea.

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### Book 200 The Cornish midwife by Jo Bartlett

A fresh start... Midwife Ella Mehenick left the small Cornish town of Port Agnes for London and never looked back. But when her seemingly perfect life crashes down around her, there's only one place she can heal her battered heart - the place she once called home.

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### Book 201 A summer wedding for the Cornish midwife by Jo Bartlett

The venue is booked, the dress is picked, and Senior Midwife Anna Jones only has to say 'I Do!' to the man she loves! Theirs might have been a whirlwind romance, but Brae Penrose is everything Anna dreamed her husband would be and she can't wait to start a family with him. But as the big day approaches, Anna still isn't pregnant and when disaster strikes, their perfect day looks destined not to happen at all! Is it a sign to slow things down?

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### Book 202 A winter's wish for the Cornish midwife by Jo Bartlett

A secret love.. As winter descends on the coastal town of Port Agnes, midwife Toni Samuels' mood is as dark as the winter clouds that roll in. Toni loves her job as a midwife, but her private life is falling apart. Because Toni is keeping a secret - a relationship with fellow male midwife Bobby that no one can ever know about.

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### Book 203 Starting over at Primrose Woods by Jill Steeples

Abbey Carter should be feeling on top of the world. She has the home of her dreams - a picturesque cottage just walking distance from her beloved Primrose Woods. She has a job she loves, great friends, and most exciting of all - a wedding dress hanging in her wardrobe ready to be worn. So why does she feel so lonely.

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### Book 204 Snowflakes over Primrose Woods by Jill Steeples

Abbey Carter, her boyfriend Sam and their trusty canine companion Lady, relish living in the picturesque village of Wishwell at the edge of their beloved Primrose Woods. The woods and the country park are full of activity as the festive season approaches. As the snow falls on Primrose Woods, and the village of Wishwell sparkles with Christmas lights, could this be the year that every wish comes true for the three friends?

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### Book 205 Dreams come true at Primrose Hall by Jill Steeples

Pia Temple has always had a soft spot for Jackson Moody following a passionate teenage love affair that burnt out over one long summer, more than ten years ago. First loves can be hard to forget, and the devastatingly gorgeous Jackson, is harder to forget than most. After putting aside her ambitions while she cared for her parents, it is finally time for Pia to think about herself. So, when she's offered the perfect job running the social calendar at Primrose Hall, with a dreamy flat included, how can she refuse?

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### Book 206 Anyone but the billionaire by Sara L Hudson

Thomas Moore is known for being a grump with a condescending attitude and no sense of humour. He's also known for being the golden-boy heir a luxury department store empire and one of the best-looking billionaire bachelors around. When his family implodes, his top priority becomes reconnecting with his estranged siblings. Which currently entails being best man in his younger brother's Elvis-themed wedding in Las Vegas, a concept that this modern-day Mr. Darcy loathes.

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### Book 207 Anyone but the boss by Sara L Hudson

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### Book 208 Christmas once again by Jina Bacarr

Imagine if you could go back in time to a special Christmas, see family and friends you miss, change the course of your life, and save the man you love from being killed overseas during World War 2.. Kate Arden was engaged to be married back then, but the man she loved, Jeffrey Rushbrooke, was called up for active duty in 1943 and later killed on a secret mission in France. An old letter written on army stationery after the war detailing why the mission went wrong found its way to her and tugged at her heart. What if she could change that? Warn him. Could she save his life? Or will fate have a bigger surprise in store for her?

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### Book 209 The runaway girl by Jina Bacarr

When Ava O'Reilly is wrongly accused of stealing from her employer, she has no option but to flee Ireland. The law is after her, and she has only one chance at escape - the Titanic. Aboard the ship of dreams, she runs straight into the arms of Captain 'Buck' Blackthorn, a dashing gentleman gambler who promises to be her protector.

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### Book 210 Maybe this Christmas? by Jill Steeples

When Beth Brown loses her job and her boyfriend in the space of twenty-four hours, she thinks life can't get any worse. That's until she finds herself in the depths of the English countryside working for chef, Rocco di Castri. Not only does she have to deal with his legendary moods, but she's also expected to get his chaotic schedule and workload in check, all while she's nursing a broken heart. It's not long before Rocco's idyllic home starts to work its magic and soon she sees a softer side to her boss too.

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### Book 211 Winter at the Dog and Duck by Jill Steeples

Ellie Browne has left behind her high-flying job in London to return to the charming Buckinghamshire village of Little Leyton. Working shifts at the Dog and Duck pub and running her own doggy-daycare business, Ellie's looking for a simpler way of life in this idyllic English setting. But Little Leyton's landscape is changing: Johnny Tay, Ellie's ex, wants to pick up where they left off.

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### Book 212 The falling by Anna Todd

Twenty-year-old Karina is proud of the independent life she is trying to create for herself in Ft. Benning, Georgia. A dutiful officer’s daughter, supportive sister to a troubled twin brother, and caring friend to her roommate, Elodie, Karina always puts the needs of others ahead of her own and prides herself on being a fixer of broken things—whether it’s the house she’s just bought or the fragmented family she works hard to keep intact. Like anyone who has grown up around an army base, Karina also knows the background noise that follows men and women home from war. And when she meets Kael, a handsome soldier on the cusp of discharge, she’s immediately intrigued by his brooding presence and enigmatic silence. As their uncertain and unexpected friendship starts to turn into something more, Karina tries to piece together Kael’s story: he is emotionally closed off, recovering from wounds and other trauma in the aftermath of two tours in Afghanistan. In her practice as a physical therapist, Karina has a strong desire to help him heal, and though it challenges her many insecurities and anxieties, she has an equally strong desire to trust him. But that trust is fragile, like the preciousness of a soldier’s life. It can be gone in an instant. Ultimately facing a crossroads, their relationship will be tested by the one thing that Karina cannot accept, forgive, or understand.

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### Book 213 The burning by Anna Todd

Life near the army base at Fort Benning, Georgia, might be small, but it’s safe. That suits Karina Fischer just fine. She knows letting anyone get close to her means she could get hurt, and she’s had enough of that in her almost twenty-one years to last a lifetime. The only man she’s ever let in, Kael Martin, betrayed her trust before they could find their way together. She can’t forgive him for what he’s done, but letting go still feels impossible. Kael Martin’s scars run deep, but the mark Karina left on him is deeper. He can’t get her out of his mind or his heart. He’s ready to start fresh, adjust to civilian life, and build a future outside of the Army―one he hopes could include Karina, because their spark, while it burned, was unforgettable. Now, just when it seems their world is crumbling and can’t be put back together, circumstances force them to confront what they can’t deny: the volatile, passionate, all-consuming love they can’t live without.

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### Book 214 Much ado about Nada by Uzma Jalaluddin

Nada Syed is stuck. At twenty-nine, she's living with her parents and mourning the failure of her start-up baby, which failed because of a double-crossing business partner. Nada's best friend Haleema is determined to pry her from her shell - and what better place than at the giant annual Muslim conference? What Haleema doesn't know is that Nada and Baz have a secret history. And in their chance encounter at the conference, that history comes hurtling at Nada, bringing a moment of reckoning.

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### Book 215 The guest house by the sea by Faith Hogan

Esme has run the guest house for as long as anyone in Ballycove can remember. But in her declining years, her sight is failing, and when she has a fall on the eve of the summer season, she is forced to take a back seat for the first time in her life. Esme's guests provide the colour that helps her keep her grip on the world. All of them have something they want to escape - or to hold on to. But can Esme help them find their way before the summer is over?

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### Book 216 Coming home to Cariad Cove by Darcie Boleyn

Following the death of her husband, Ffion moves back to her family hotel in Wales seeking home comfort. In the village of Cariad Cove, she reconnects with her family, and starts to find hope as she takes up running and meets Joe... For Joe, the second his dog crashes into the beautiful woman on the beach, it's love at first sight. But recognising a hurting soul, he offers Ffion his friendship and soon the two are organising a charity run for the local animal sanctuary.

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### Book 217 Just like that by Nina Kaye

Jess is smashing her Edinburgh events management job right now. Her boss is talking about a promotion, her clients love her and other companies want her. But all of that comes to an abrupt halt when her brother suddenly has a stroke. Jess doesn't think twice about stepping in as his carer, but her boss is not so understanding. Demoted to managing low-end events, Jess is less than thrilled to be assigned to a small animal park in need of raising funds. She's even less happy when she clashes with arrogant head keeper, Nick. He's frustrated with her squeamishness; she thinks he's a lech. Nick wants a baggage-free life; Jess has so much drama going on, even the Kardashians can't keep up. But maybe saving the animals of East Lothian Wildlife Park will help these op-paw-sites find some common ground...

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### Book 218 Beach rivals by Georgie Tilney

Clare living with her parents, working a job she hates, and has absolutely no idea what she wants to do with the rest of her life. When she sees a viral job advert for a three-month bookseller position on a Bali beach, she jumps at the chance. But it's not until she arrives in Bali that Clare realises she won't be working in the bookshop alone. Instead, she's sharing the bookshop - and a flat - with a handsome but i infuriating American man.

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### Book 219 Match me if you can by Sandy Barker

Welcome to the Ever After Agency - a clandestine organisation offering bespoke solutions to romantic problems. Whether you're looking for the love of your life, a fresh romantic start, or just want to keep up appearances, the agency can tailor a solution to meet your needs.

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### Book 220 The girl from Norway by Emma Pass

1942. When Helda Dahlstrøm flees her abusive husband and Nazi-occupied Norway with her eight-year-old son she doesn't know if they'll make it out alive. In her desperate journey to safety she'll find safety on the rocky shores of the Shetland Islands, rescued by Canadian Flight Sergeant Bill Gauthier. As WWII's destruction rages at their doorsteps, can love find its way through the rubble?

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### Book 221 Pillars of light by Jane Johnson

In the Syrian city of Akka, Nathanael, a young Jewish doctor, and a Muslim girl called Zohra are about to fall in love. But Saladin's army has just taken Jerusalem, and soon their own city will be engulfed by war. Akka awaits. It will be the site of the greatest - and cruellest - siege of its time. But even in the midst of war, lovers find ways to make transactions of beauty.

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### Book 222 Lakeside hideaway by Noelene Jenkinson

Escaping personal upheaval, city accountant Billie Gibbs takes a break in a friend's country lakeside shack. Local farmer Noah Sutton arrives at the shack to investigate the unexpected visitor on a neighbouring property. He wants her to stay, but needs her to leave. Resisting an instant attraction in the face of mysterious happenings around the lake, Billie believes Noah is not all he seems, and sets out to discover why. Will she find the refuge she sought - or danger?

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### Book 223 The girl from Venice by Siobhan Daiko

1943. Lidia De Angelis has kept a low profile since Mussolini's laws wrenched her from her childhood sweetheart. But when the Germans occupy Venice, she must flee the city to save her life. Lidia joins the partisans in the Venetian mountains, where she meets David, an English soldier fighting for the same cause. As she grows closer to him, harsh German reprisals and Lidia's own ardent patriotic activities threaten to tear them apart.

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### Book 224 The girl from Portofino by Siobhan Daiko

When Gina Bianchi returns to the beautiful Italian resort of Portofino to attend her father's funeral, she is beset by vivid memories of World War 2, when she joined the Resistance, alongside her identical twin sister, Adele. In her childhood bedroom, Gina reads Adele's diary, left behind during the war. As Gina learns the shocking truth about her sister, she's compelled to face the harsh realities of her own past.

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### Book 225 The girl from Bologna by Siobhan Daiko

Bologna, Italy, 1944, and the streets are crawling with German soldiers. Nineteen-year-old Leila Venturi is shocked into joining the Resistance after her beloved best friend Rebecca, the daughter of a prominent Jewish businessman, is ruthlessly deported to a concentration camp.

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## SCIENCE FICTION AND FANTASY

### Book 226 Life signs by James Lovegrove

Months after Inara leaves Serenity, Mal and the crew finally learn the reason for her sudden departure: she is dying of a terminal illness. Through their shock and despair, rumors of a cure reach the crew.

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### Book 227 Carnival by Una McCormack

When a job on one of the Rim worlds goes wrong, Zoe and Book are taken hostage by some very unsatisfied customers, and Mal is given three days to find 8,000 platinum to get them back.

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### Book 228 What makes us mighty by M. K. England

What they thought was a simple job transporting goods for a nobleman lands the crew of Serenity in the middle of a revolution, and they must each decide where to make their stand, even if it lands them on opposite sides.

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### Book 229 A harvest of ash & blood by D. J. Molles

What is the price of magic? Not the magic of tricks and illusions, but the kind that heats cities, powers armies, and transforms continents. Magic that forges empires. The Brannic Empire owes its existence to this magic, and for those in power, no price is too great. Even when that price is their own children. For it is the ashes of those with magical abilities that the Church of Alchemy harvests to fuel this machine of empire. So the furnaces burn, and the empire grows. And they call it progress. Trying to escape a lifetime of regrets—and outrun his own demons—veteran soldier Lochled Thatcher embarks on the Fourth Crusade to Leftland, a country rich in magic. Desperate to save her brothers, Rony joins Lochled’s squad only to discover that war is very different from all the songs and fancy speeches. As politics and power clash, Kayna, a Seeker, and Ord, a priest of the Church of Alchemy, find their foundations of loyalty and faith shaken and crumbling. In this theater of chaos, magic, and treachery, soldier and priest alike will find their humanity in as much danger as their lives. Will they lose themselves to cruelty and deception? Or can one good action reverse the course of generations of evil?

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### Book 230 Barrayar by Lois McMaster Bujold

In the wake of interplanetary war, former commander Cordelia Naismith has deserted her own planet to marry the leader of the defeated enemy, Aral Vorkosigan. On his home planet of Barrayar, two rival factions are eyeing the recently vacated throne, and Aral, recently appointed Regent of Barrayar by the Emperor on his deathbed, must stand between them. Lord and Lady Vorkosigan, Aral and Cordelia struggle to establish stability in a fragile government thrown into confusion by the transition of power and the threat of civil war.

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### Book 231 The flowers of Vashnoi by Lois McMaster Bujold

Still new to her duties as Lady Vorkosigan, Ekaterin is working together with expatriate scientist Enrique Borgos on a radical scheme to recover the lands of the Vashnoi exclusion zone, lingering radioactive legacy of the Cetagandan invasion of the planet Barrayar. When Enrique's experimental bioengineered creatures go missing, the pair discover that the zone still conceals deadly old secrets.

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### Book 232 Gentleman Jole and the Red Queen by Lois McMaster Bujold

Three years after her famous husband's death, Cordelia Vorkosigan, widowed Vicereine of Sergyar, stands ready to spin her life in a new direction. Oliver Jole, Admiral, Sergyar Fleet, finds himself caught up in her web of plans in ways he'd never imagined, bringing him to an unexpected crossroads in his life.

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### Book 233 Savage skies by Nicholas Sansbury Smith

After waking up with no memories in an underground facility, a squad of elite soldiers and scientists must try to recall what their mission is. But first, it's a race against the clock to escape their collapsing bunker before it becomes a tomb. Topside, an even more dangerous world of fiery skies and desolate terrain awaits. As they venture out to explore their strange new surroundings, bits of memory begin to return, though nothing can prepare them for the strange forces protecting this bleak landscape.

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### Book 234 Evergreens by Liam Brown

What if you could stay young forever? What if you never had to grow old? Ben has no qualms about signing up for the Evergreens project, a controversial new trial. But are the promises of life without ageing too good to be true? Sophie has no doubt that they are. And sixty-five years down the line, she gets the chance to find out. With Ben in hospital, unresponsive and ageing rapidly before her very eyes, can Sophie uncover the dark secret at the heart of the Evergreens project - and save Ben's life in the process?

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### Book 235 Bootstrap by Georgina Young

Jackson Sweeney is stewing in his tiny hometown, feeling stuck as he spends his days working at Al's Takeaway and fending off homophobic losers. His childhood friend Marnie returns to Ginsborough on her family's annual visit, but she's reeling from a break-up and is determined to lie low. After all, nothing ever happens in this part of the world. But then one night an odd-looking stranger shows up he has long black hair, a leather trench coat and the improbable name of Bootstrap. What's more, he says he's here to see the night Jackson Sweeney becomes a hero. Soon, Sweeney and Marnie find themselves swept up in an adventure they never could have dreamt of - with a fugitive from the future.

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## TRAVEL

### Book 236 The life cycle: 8,000 miles in the Andes by bamboo bike by Kate Rawles

One woman's journey through South America - and the devastating story of our planet's disappearing biodiversity Pedalling hard for thirteen months, eco adventurer Kate Rawles cycled the length of the Andes on an eccentric bicycle she built herself. The Life Cycle charts her mission to find out why biodiversity is so important, what's happening to it, and what can be done to protect it.

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### Book 237 The whispering wire: tracing the Overland Telegraph Line through the heart of Australia by Rosamund Burton

Interweaving history and travel, this story traces one woman's journey tracing the 3200-km Overland Telegraph Line from Adelaide to Darwin. Constructed between 1870 and 1872, the line transformed Adelaide into Australia's communication hub, connecting the continent with the rest of the world and heralding the dawn of instant communication. Struggling with a lack of experience and fitness, Rosamund Burton and her friend cycle the first 800 km from Adelaide through the Flinders Ranges to the deserted outback town of Farina, battling piercing winds and pelting rain, visiting sites and chatting with locals as they go. The author moves across the continent, storytelling, sharing its sometimes brutal history and listening to those who have lived in this harsh but beautiful country. This quest for connection with the land and an understanding of its people, is also an exploration of what it means for the author, being Irish born, to belong in Australia.

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## CHILDREN’S BOOKS

### Book 238 Nikki Hind: dressed for success by John Dickson

Nikki Hind always dreamed of being a fashion designer. When she was little she had trouble seeing. Later a stroke took way almost all of her eyesight. Nikki didn't let that stop her. Now she has her own fashion label and her fashions are shown all around the world. Discover how being vision impaired has made Nikki who she is today.

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### Book 239 Royal coo! by Swapna Haddow

Dave Pigeon and his best friend Skipper are taking in the sights of London. Whilst pecking around the gates of the Royal Palace, looking for high-brow snacks to feast on, they meet Prince Raju Pigeon, one of the Queen's personal birds from the Royal Lofts. Raju is tired of royal life and longs to see life beyond the palace gates. Dave suggests they swap places for a short while!

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### Book 240 Mermouse mystery by Philip Reeve

Pedro is getting used to the thrilling life of the Adventuremice. But one stormy night, he finds something he's only ever dreamed of seeing: a real, live mermouse! This little mermouse is lost, and Pedro and the Adventuremice need to get him safely home. They must summon all their bravery and brilliance, plunge into the depths of the ocean and find the mysterious Mermouse City.

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### Book 241 The sight by Erin Hunter

The time has come for three kits of ThunderClan—Hollypaw, Jaypaw, and Lionpaw—to become apprentices. Grandchildren of the great leader Firestar, they possess unusual power and talent. But dark secrets surround them, and all their strength will be needed for the Clans to survive.

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### Book 242 Dark river by Erin Hunter

Lionpaw, Hollypaw, and Jaypaw, grandchildren of the Clan leader Firestar, are thriving as ThunderClan apprentices. Yet their new responsibilities bring new dangers, and each young cat is about to discover darkness: in the past, in the Clans, and in themselves.

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### Book 243 Outcast by Erin Hunter

A secret prophecy shapes the lives of Firestar's grandchildren, and Jaypaw believes that the cats of the ancient Tribe of Rushing Water may hold the key. But when he, Hollypaw, and Lionpaw travel to the Tribe's mountain home, they may discover secrets they never expected.

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### Book 244 Eclipse by Erin Hunter

As Jaypaw, Hollypaw, and Lionpaw struggle with the weight of their destinies, a mysterious warning shakes the Clans' faith in their ancestors. All four Clans are in danger, and the fate of the warrior code now rests in the paws of three apprentices.

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### Book 245 Long shadows by Erin Hunter

As doubt sweeps through the forest, Jaypaw, Lionblaze, and Hollyleaf are determined to convince the Clans that StarClan is still vitally important to the warrior code. But darkness lurks in the most unexpected places, and one cat is about to reveal a secret that will rock ThunderClan to its core.

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### Book 246 Sunrise by Erin Hunter

The secret of Hollyleaf's, Jayfeather's, and Lionblaze's true identities has been revealed, but one shocking question remains unanswered. Now Clanmate will turn upon Clanmate, and one more warrior may be lost forever.

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### Book 247 Guardians by Jordan Gould

Meet Wylah: warrior, hero and friend. Her adventures have been 40,000 years in the making! Wylah is brave, clever and strong-willed, and all her best friends are giant megafauna animals. But she isn't a warrior. Not yet, anyway. Then comes the day when her family is stolen by the dragon army, and her life is forever changed. She must find the courage to set out on a journey to save them. What will it take for Wylah to become a warrior, like her Grandmother before her?

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### Book 248 A bad god's guide to ruling the world by Louie Stowell

When Heimdall and Hyrrokkin abandon their "children" to go on holiday, Odin sends Baldur - Thor's half-brother and god of making Loki look bad - to babysit. As Baldur and Thor bond, Loki's attempts to prove he's good start getting a bit desperate. After the drama teacher casts him as the villain in the school play, Loki starts to wonder whether there's any point in being good when everyone seems convinced of his villain.

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### Book 249 Nowhere island by Tania Unsworth

Hidden at the intersection of several busy highways behind the trees and scrubby undergrowth is an island, full of secrets... Pez has lived there for a while now, enjoying the solitude. She has a vegetable patch, a routine, her own way of doing things and a condor, who may be outstaying his welcome. Runaway brothers, Riley and Grayson call the island home too. They keep their distance from Pez and spend precarious days trying to survive, still relying on the man-made world which speeds around them. Then Gil arrives, with his hagstone and a dream of happy families, and everything changes.

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### Book 250 The mystery of the Radcliffe riddle by Taryn Souders

When Grady and his dad learn that the town oddball, Eudora "Kooky" Klinch left something for them in her will, they can only imagine what it might be. When it turns out it's an old scrap of 300-year-old tapestry, they are bitterly disappointed. But the cloth comes with a note saying, "This is no ordinary piece of needlework. It's a treasure map. Riddles and Clues. To the victor go the riches." Grady's dad dismisses it, but Grady thinks this could be the chance of a lifetime.

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### Book 251 The destiny of Minou Moonshine by Gita Ralleigh

When fierce orphan girl Minou Moonshine's life is unexpectedly shattered, she joins the ragtag band of rebels, the Green Orchids, who are plotting to overthrow the General. Armed with a secret and a map, Minou sets off with her friends and a mechanical elephant, through the lush jungles of Indica, in search of the Dark Lady, a diamond and her destiny.

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### Book 252 Saga of the shooting star by Gary Northfield

Will Leif the Unlucky - Viking wolf pup - become a famous explorer like his dad? Leif is not unlucky. Yes, he does split his trousers at least once a week. And yes, he's always tripping up. But he's determined to become a true viking hero, just like his father. Can he unravel the riddles of a witch to find a magical shard of rock that has fallen from a shooting star and wield its magical powers?

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### Book 253 The brothers Hawthorne by Jennifer Lynn Barnes

Grayson Hawthorne is used to putting family first, but when his billionaire grandfather dies and disinherits the family, Grayson's loyalty is tested. Meanwhile, his risk-taking half-brother, Jameson, is asked by their mysterious father to infiltrate an exclusive underground gambling club in London. As they both become embroiled in twisted games, the brothers must decide who they want to be and what they are willing to sacrifice to win.

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### Book 254 The lovely and the lost by Jennifer Lynn Barnes

Kira Bennett's earliest memories are of living alone and wild in the woods, and the moment Cady Bennett and one of her search-and-rescue dogs found her. Now a teenager, Kira helps Cady train the dogs, hoping someday to put her rescue skills to use, bringing the lost home. But when Cady's estranged father tracks his daughter down and asks for help finding a missing child, she finds herself on the front lines sooner than expected.

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### Book 255 VCE English readings 2024 by multiple authors

A book of readings for the 2024 VCE English curriculum, List 2.

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