# DAISY NEW TITLES LIST – June 2024

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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 What an owl knows: the new science of the world's most enigmatic birds by Jennifer Ackerman

Through revelatory new behavioural research, Jennifer Ackerman provides an intimate glimpse into these magnificent creatures' lives. From the evolutionary quirks behind their silent flight and rotating heads, to their romantic relationships and parenting styles, What an Owl Knows brings the rich natural history of owls to life. Deftly weaving together science and art, Ackerman journeys into the owl's moonlit world and asks: what is it about these birds that so enthrals us?

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## AUSTRALIANA

### Book 2 Where there is a will by Vimal Du Monteil and Michel

A massive cyclone swell on Sydney's beaches claims a big-wave surfer, leaving his long-term partner without a body to mourn. His four adult godchildren from far and wide gather for the reading of his will. A mysterious girl from Tasmania joins them. Down the coast, a man is pulled from the water and abandoned to his fate with a head injury and amnesia. He sets out on an odyssey along the east coast of Australia in search of his identity. Will he like what he finds?

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### Book 3 Police stories: compelling true stories from the frontline of Australia's police by Vikki Petraitis

From the bizarre to the brutal to the unbelievable, truth is often stranger than fiction, as these fascinating stories testify. Vikki Petraitis has spent hundreds of hours interviewing police - sometimes even accompanying them on active duty - to complete this collection of stories from the frontline of policing. Police officers from many fields have shared some of their best stories: the ones that were out of the ordinary, the ones they'll never forget. The result is this riveting collection of real-life Australian dramas. They include: - a 'black widow' who reported her husband missing after an argument - the perilous body retrieval of a drowned diver from a sunken submarine - the capture and conviction of a man who drugged his unsuspecting victims by spiking their drinks - the disappearance of Sarah MacDiarmid. In each case the police concerned have achieved results through dedication and teamwork, and sometimes at great personal risk. We thank them for their service and understand that sometimes, the toll was too high.

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## BIOGRAPHIES AND MEMOIRS

### Book 4 Bourdain: the definitive oral biography by Laurie Woolever

When Anthony Bourdain died in June 2018, fans around the globe came together to celebrate the life of an inimitable man who had dedicated his life to traveling nearly everywhere (and eating nearly everything), shedding light on the lives and stories of others. His impact was outsized and his legacy has only grown since his death. Now, for the first time, we have been granted a look into Bourdain's life through the stories and recollections of his closest friends and colleagues. Laurie Woolever, Bourdain's longtime assistant and confidante, interviewed nearly a hundred of the people who shared Tony's orbit - from members of his kitchen crews to his writing, publishing, and television partners, to his daughter and his closest friends - in order to piece together a remarkably full, vivid, and nuanced vision of Tony's life and work. From his childhood and teenage days, to his early years in New York, through the genesis of his game-changing memoir Kitchen Confidential to his emergence as a writing and television personality, and in the words of friends and colleagues, as well as family members including his brother and his late mother, we see the many sides of Tony - his motivations, his ambivalence, his vulnerability, his blind spots, and his brilliance.

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## GAY LESBIAN BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER

### Book 5 Cosa Nostra by Emma Nichols

On the other side of Palermo, the Amato family’s growing lust for power presents a dangerous problem. Maria is forced to take action that goes against every fiber of her being, or she will lose the respect of her clan. Falling for Simone complicates an already complex situation. As the two women’s attraction for each other deepens, secrets are revealed that threaten their future together.

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### Book 6 Cosa Nostra 2 by Emma Nichols

Escaping the mafia should have been simple. A new life with a new identity in a new location. But that plan was conceived long before Simone captured Maria’s heart. Maria’s love for Simone changes everything.

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### Book 7 Elodie by Emma Nichols

Elodie Marchand has it all. Money, power, women. As the owner of a prestigious winery in France, she enjoys freedom on levels most people only dream about. She’s built a perfect life and is happy sharing it with no one. But when a travelling stranger drops into her world, Elodie is forced to reassess everything she thinks she knows about the way she lives. On the back of a bitter divorce, Kaye Sykes is wandering the world, trying to find somewhere new to put down roots. After a controlling, abusive marriage, she’s taking the time to concentrate on herself, and the last thing she’s looking for is a relationship. When she volunteers to pick grapes at a vineyard, Kaye meets the charming, beautiful, and enigmatic Elodie: surely the perfect choice for a little holiday, no-strings fun. What begins as an instant and powerful sexual attraction soon becomes so much more, and both women try to fight it for very different reasons.

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### Book 8 Madeleine by Emma Nichols

Madeleine isn't like other grieving war widows. Claudette isn't like other young French women. As their lives collide, Madeleine and Claude will discover a depth of connection and desire they never knew could exist. Can their love flourish in post-WW2 France or will their past derail their future?

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## HISTORY

### Book 9 The hemlock cure by Joanne Burn

It is 1665 and the women of Eyam keep many secrets. Isabel Frith, the village midwife, walks a dangerous line with her herbs and remedies. There are men in the village who speak of witchcraft, and Isabel has a past to hide. So she tells nobody her fears about Wulfric, the pious, reclusive apothecary.Mae, Wulfric's youngest daughter, dreads her father's rage if he discovers what she keeps from him. Like her feelings for Rafe, Isabel's ward, or the fact that she studies from Wulfric's books at night.But others have secrets too... When Mae makes a horrifying discovery, Isabel is the only person she can turn to. But helping Mae will place them both in unimaginable peril. And meanwhile another danger is on its way from London. One that threatens to engulf them all...

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### Book 10 A home from home by Rosie Hendry

Norfolk, 1944. Phylly is a Land Girl on Catchetts Farm. She and her friend Gracie are doing their bit to support the war effort. But times are changing at Catchetts - there's an evacuee and two POWs on their way..And then Phylly meets an American airman from the base up the road. As the War rages on the Continent, Phylly and Gracie's world will be changed forever.

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### Book 11 Hidden yellow stars by Rebecca Connolly

Based on the true story of two World War II heroines who risked everything to save Jewish children from the Gestapo by hiding them throughout Belgium. Young schoolteacher Andrée Geulen secretly defies the Nazis in Belgium, who are forcing Jews to wear a yellow Star of David. Andrée is not Jewish, but she feels a maternal connection to her students, who are living in constant fear, and decides to take action. No child should have to suffer under such persecution. But what can one woman do against an entire army?

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### Book 12 A wartime welcome at Rookery House by Rosie Hendry

October 1940. When VAD nurse Evie narrowly escapes being killed in an air raid during the London Blitz, it propels her to make a life-changing decision to break free of her troubled and unhappy life. She escapes to the Norfolk countryside to start afresh, with a job at the newly opened Great Plumstead Hall hospital, and a wonderful new home at Rookery House. The community of Great Plumstead welcomes evacuees to the village - mothers and children bombed out of their London homes. Sisters Prue and Thea, along with members of The Mother's Day Club, help the new arrivals settle in, while continuing their work for the war effort by holding knitting bees and doing WVS work. But when a patient arrives who knew her in her former life, Evie's newfound freedom and happiness are in danger.

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### Book 13 Digging for victory at Rookery House by Rosie Hendry

March, 1941. After Flo Butterworth loses everything in Manchester's Christmas Blitz, she decides to leave the area and join the Women's Land Army. Putting the past firmly behind her, she arrives at Rookery House in Norfolk hoping for a new start and a chance to do the gardening work she loves. The grip of war has intensified and growing more food is vital to keep the nation going. Thea buys an extra field to grow crops, and in the village, her sister Prue leads members of The Mother's Day Club and Women's Institute as they take on a derelict allotment. Meanwhile the construction of a nearby aerodrome disrupts village life and brings even more new residents to Rookery House.

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### Book 14 The Mother's Day Club by Rosie Hendry

Norfolk, 1939. The residents of Great Plumstead agree to open up their homes to evacuees from London. Pregnant Marianne is determined to make a fresh start for herself. Local lady Thea opens up her beautiful home, Rookery House, to the evacuee mothers. The ladies of Great Plumstead are fighting their own battles on the Home Front - but can the community come together in a time of need to protect their own?

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### Book 15 The Mothers Day Club victory by Rosie Hendry

Norfolk, 1940. As war rages on, the residents of Great Plumstead are doing all they can to help the war effort, from running the mobile canteen for the Women's Voluntary Service to organising clothing drives and collecting salvage. When a young German girl seeks refuge at the local hall, many welcome her with open arms, while others treat her with suspicion. But when the government try to send her back, it'll take the whole community to keep her safe from war.

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### Book 16 Secrets of the East End angels by Rosie Hendry

London, 1941. The East End Angels - Frankie, Bella and Winnie - are settled into life as ambulance crew members at LAAS Station Seventy-Five. Frankie's grandfather is unwell and she promised him she would always look after Ivy, her step-grandmother, but things between the two women are becoming strained. Winnie is making the difficult decisions on call-outs and begins to wonder how much more war and destruction she can take? Bella starts driving the ambulances and is growing closer to James while her love for writing is opening up new doors. Life and war may keep testing the angels but their friendship will see them through the darkest of times.

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### Book 17 Christmas with the East End Angels by Rosie Hendry

It's the most wonderful time of the year - and the East End Angels are working hard to keep Londoners safe. Frankie is trying to keep everything together. She can count on the support of the East End Angels, even in the face of family trouble. Winnie's beloved husband, Mac, is putting himself at risk every day in the bomb disposal unit and she's finding it hard while he's away. Bella's friendship with Winnie's brother, James, is getting closer all the time. Christmas on the Home Front is a hard time with loved ones far away - but the women of the Auxiliary Ambulance service are making do and mending.

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### Book 18 Victory for the East End Angels by Rosie Hendry

The war is almost over - and it's up to the East End Angels to keep the home fires burning! Frankie's fiance, a doctor, is away looking after the troops in Europe - will he return safely home? Winnie has a happy secret - but can she carry on at Station 75 when she's going to have a baby? And Bella is intrigued by her new friend, a Polish airman. As the war ends and victory is in sight, what next for the girls of Station 75?

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### Book 19 The whirlpools of time by Anna Belfrage

It is 1715 and for Duncan Melville, something fundamental is missing from his life. Despite a flourishing legal practice and several close friends, he is lonely, even more so after the recent death of his father. He needs a wife—a companion through life, someone to hold and be held by. What he wasn’t expecting was to be torn away from everything he knew and find sad woman in 2016. Erin Barnes has a lot of stuff going on in her life. She doesn’t need the additional twist of a stranger in weird outdated clothes, but when he risks his life to save hers, she feels obligated to return the favor. Besides, whoever Duncan may be, she can’t exactly deny the immediate attraction. The complications in Erin’s life explode. Events are set in motion and to Erin’s horror she and Duncan are thrown back to 1715. Not only does Erin have to cope with a different and intimidating world, soon enough she and Duncan are embroiled in a dangerous quest for Duncan’s uncle, a quest that may very well cost them their lives as they travel through a Scotland poised on the brink of rebellion.

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### Book 20 The low road by Katharine Quarmby

Norfolk, 1813. In the quiet Waveney Valley, the body of Mary Tyrell is staked through the heart after her death by suicide. She had been under arrest for the suspected murder of her newborn child. Mary leaves behind a young daughter, Hannah, who is later sent away to the Refuge for the Destitute in London, where she will be trained for a life of domestic service. It is at the Refuge that Hannah meets Annie Simpkins, a fellow resident, and together they forge a friendship that deepens into passionate love. But the strength of this bond is put to the test when the girls are caught stealing from the Refuge's laundry, and they are sentenced to transportation to Botany Bay, setting them on separate paths that may never cross again.

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### Book 21 An ungrateful instrument by Michael Meehan

At its heart An Ungrateful Instrument is a novel that portrays a son’s struggle to be more than a mere instrument of the father’s ambition. Antoine Forqueray and later his son Jean-Baptiste, were each brought up as child prodigies to the court of Louis XIV. Together, they were said to be the only musicians in France who could play the father’s brilliant, eccentric music for the viola da gamba. In an imaginative masterstroke the story is told by Jean-Baptiste’s highly attuned deaf-mute sister, Charlotte-Elisabeth. Threaded throughout, deep in a forest an old man creates the gift of a special viol for the boy, Jean Baptiste. This is a novel that can almost be heard like music, as it soars in language, theme, and a wisdom that both embodies and transcends its period setting.

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**HUMOUR**

### Book 22 The cleaner by Brandi Wells

Every night, she cleans. On the fourth floor of an unnamed office in an unnamed city, the night cleaner comes and does what she does best—sorts out the messes of the daytime employees. None of them know her, but she knows everything about them: Sad Intern’s dreams to get promoted, Résumé Woman’s nasty flight-risk behavior, Mr. Buff’s secret smoking habit (not very conducive to his fitness journey). She’s the office mastermind, the one everyone needs, and no one even knows she exists. And tonight, while scrolling through your emails, she’ll discover the secret you’ve been hiding—the one that will put everyone’s job at risk. But protecting the employees is her responsibility: whether it’s from rats and window smudges or from the sinister CEO who may be driving the company into ruin. And you’re about to find out that, sometimes, your most powerful enemy is the one you don’t even see.

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### Book 23 Chile by Rex Pickett

It's now ten years later, and Miles is a successful author, but he's still searching for something; depression has him, once again, in its taloned grip. Offered a chance to travel to the antipodean country of Chile and visit their wine regions for a magazine assignment, Miles, his world turned upside down by bad financial investments and even worse luck with relationships, happily agrees. A somewhat cynical Miles finds Chile, it people, and its spectacular, and vastly diverse wine regions to be a life-transforming journey.

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### Book 24 New Zealand: The road back by Rex Pickett

Miles and Jack are on a book tour, a road trip from hell in a camper van, journeying from the south of the South Island of New Zealand to the north of the North Island. In tow with them is their beleaguered Mãori publicist Hana, Jack's new inamorata, and Miles's special needs cat Max. A dark secret from his past has wrested Miles from his Central Otago Pinot vineyard and is pulling him back to California to face the confessional truth of that which he has wrought.

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## LAW LEGAL ISSUES AND ETHICS

### Book 25 Naked city by John Silvester

John Silvester has been reporting on crime from the cop stations, courthouses, back alleys and gangster mansions of Melbourne for forty years. His contact book is a who's who of both sides of criminal justice and the shadowy worlds between. He is the trusted confidant of cops, criminals, lawyers and judges. He knows where the cash is stashed and where the bodies are buried. Naked City is a collection of Silvester's best stories, from sophisticated heists to mindless acts of violence and deeds of pure evil - impeccably sourced, wry, wise and witty. Travel the dark depths of Australia's criminal underworld with our most formidable crime reporter and an icon of Australian true crime.

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## LITERATURE AND FICTION

### Book 26 Moon-Face and other stories by Jack London

Jack London—author of The Call of the Wild, White Fang, and Sea Wolf—was among the most highly regarded and most successful writers of the early 20th century. This is a collection of eight of his best short stories.

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## MILITARY

### Book 27 The sun will rise by Misha Zelinsky

Oksana Shevchenko remembers life as it once was. Before the War. Before the Invaders stripped her freedom away. Before the Motherland decided to take what wasn't hers, and call it her own. As the leader of the local Union, thirty-one-year-old Oksana has met her match in enemy officer Lieutenant General Mikhailovich, who will stop at nothing to win glory for the Motherland and himself. After he captures the city of Heryvin, the young, ambitious Mikhailovich forces Oksana and her Union comrades to operate the local nuclear power plant for the Motherland's gain, while sapping its capacity to operate safely. It's a nightmare for a city still reeling from the disastrous accident that took the lives of dozens, including Oksana's father, decades before. Caught between her loyalty to those resisting the Occupation and a nuclear catastrophe threatened by increasingly impossible orders, Oksana must find a way to defeat Mikhailovich before his sadistic determination leads him to doing the unthinkable. But Oksana might not be alone in her fight, because war makes heroes out of the ordinary and unlikely. A grandmother defiantly waving the colour of her nation. A principal offering a safe haven for students dreaming of brighter futures. A young adult choosing courage in the face of mortal danger.

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### Book 28 76 hours: a novel of Tarawa by Larry Alexander

In WWII, Private Pete Talbot and the US Marines are tasked with taking the Japanese-controlled island of Tarawa. Pete knows this is going to take all his training and wits to stay alive.

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### Book 29 Shattered jade: a novel of Saipan by Larry Alexander

Tarawa was hell but Saipan is worse. For Sergeant Pete “Hardball” Talbot, recently returned from being wounded on Tarawa seven months earlier, Saipan is just another battle as the United States leaps island to island toward an invasion of the Japanese homeland. But the Japanese have learned, all too well, how to defend their islands, with carefully constructed and concealed bunkers and machine gun nests. Talbot and the dozen men of Second Squad have no idea they are running headlong into thirty-five thousand Japanese soldiers who have sworn to fight to the last man.

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## MYSTERY AND THRILLERS

### Book 30 The runner by Stephen Leather

Sally Page is an MI5 'footie', a junior Secret Service Agent who maintains 'legends': fake identities or footprints used by real spies. Her day consists of maintaining flats and houses where the legends allegedly live, doing online shopping, using payment, loyalty and travel cards and going on social media in their names - anything to give the impression to hostile surveillance that the legends are living, breathing individuals. One day she goes out for coffee leaving the safe house from which she and her fellow footies operate. When she comes back they have all been murdered and she barely escapes with her own life. She is on the run: but from whom she has no idea. Worse, her bosses at MI5 seem powerless to help her. To live, she will have to use all the lies and false identities she has so carefully created while discovering the truth . . .

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### Book 31 The fake wife by S. J Bolton

Olive Anderson has accepted that tonight she'll be dining alone, without her husband. So when a beautiful stranger appears at Olive's dinner table, telling the waiter she's her wife, Olive is immediately unsettled. But the stranger wants to talk, and isn't this what Olive wants on this lonely winter night? To vent to a perfect stranger? She's too ashamed to tell her real friends the truth - six months into the marriage they all warned her against, her life is a living nightmare. Perhaps Olive should have asked the fake wife who she's really married to. Perhaps she should have known this chance encounter had something to do with her secretive husband. Because there is a string of missing women connected to Mr Anderson, and by the morning, Olive will be the latest...

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### Book 32 Hunting blind by Paddy Richardson

On a perfect summer's day, at a school picnic beside a lake, four-year-old Gemma Anderson goes missing, leaving a family devastated and a community asking questions. Seventeen years later, Gemma's older sister Stephanie is practising as a psychiatrist. A new patient's revelations force her to re-examine the disappearance. Why are their stories so similar? Unable to let the matter rest, Stephanie embarks on a journey to find out what really happened to Gemma on that long-ago afternoon.

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### Book 33 All by myself, alone by Mary Higgins Clark

Fleeing the humiliating arrest of her husband-to-be on the eve of their wedding, Celia Kilbride, a gems and jewellery expert, hopes to escape from public attention by lecturing on a brand-new cruise ship, the Queen Charlotte. On board she meets eighty-six-year-old Lady Emily Haywood - the owner of a priceless emerald necklace that she intends to leave to a museum after the cruise. But three days out to sea Lady Emily is found dead - with the necklace missing.

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### Book 34 What grows in the dark by Jaq Evans

Brigit Weylan’s older sister, Emma, is dead. Sixteen years ago, Emma walked into the woods in their small hometown of Ellis Creek and slit her wrists. She was troubled, people said—moody and erratic in the weeks leading up to her death, convinced that there was a monster in Ellis Creek, and had even attempted to burn down the copse of trees where she later took her life. Marked by the tragedy, Brigit left and never once looked back. Now, Brigit and her cameraman Ian travel around the country, investigating paranormal activity (and faking the results), posting their escapades on YouTube in the hopes that a network will pick up their show. The last thing she expects is a call from an Ellis Creek area code with a job offer—and payout—the two cannot refuse. When Brigit and Ian arrive in Ellis Creek, they’re thrust in the middle of an investigation: two teenagers are missing, and the trail is growing colder with each passing day. It’s immediately apparent that Brigit and Ian are out of their depth; their talents lie in faking hauntings, not locating lost kids. Except for the fact that, in the weeks leading up to their disappearance, the teens had been dreaming about Emma—Emma in the woods where she died, ringed with trees and waiting for them. As Brigit and Ian are drawn further into the investigation, convinced that this could be the big case to make their show go viral, the parallels to Emma’s death become undeniable. But Brigit is worried she’s gone too far this time, and that the weight of being back in Ellis Creek, overwhelmed by memories of Emma, will break her…if it hasn’t already.

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### Book 35 Lilith by Eric Rickstad

After her son Lydan suffers traumatic injuries in a school shooting, single mom Elisabeth Ross grows enraged at men in power. If they won’t do anything to help end this epidemic of violence, she will. Believing it’s her destiny, she sets out to awaken the world to the cowards these men are and commits her own shocking act of violence.

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### Book 36 Every single secret by Christina Dodd

In an isolated lighthouse on the California coast, Rowan Winterbourne lives a solitary life with only her secrets for company. For she has a mission that drives her, to avenge herself against Gregory Torval, the powerful drug and arms dealer who murdered her mother and vowed to eliminate everyone in her family. Then Joe Grantham arrives at her door and, for the first time, Rowan lets her guard down, a dangerous mistake when he blackmails her to go with him to Torval's private island. On Raptor Island, Torval's will is law and Joe, the closest she has to an ally, is an enigma she can't trust. One false move and Rowan will die. As dark truths are uncovered, one by one, Rowan recognizes her last chance for revenge has come.

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### Book 37 The final party by A. A Chaudhuri

In a luxury villa set high in the hills above the glamorous town of Sorrento, southern Italy, three couples gather for the perfect 40th birthday celebration. Before the week is out, one of them is dead. Their perfect reunion quickly becomes the holiday from hell when one of the group starts receiving anonymous messages, threatening to expose a dark secret from their university days. As old friendships are tested to the limit, it's clear that what happens in the dark past won't stay buried.

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### Book 38 The seven doors by Agnes Ravatn

University professor Nina is at a turning point. Her work seems increasingly irrelevant, her doctor husband is never home, relations with her difficult daughter are strained, and their beautiful house is scheduled for demolition. When her daughter decides to move into another house they own, things take a very dark turn. The young woman living there disappears, leaving her son behind, the day after Nina and her daughter pay her a visit. With few clues, the police enquiry soon grinds to a halt, but Nina has an inexplicable sense of guilt. She begins her own investigation, but as she pulls on the threads of the case, it seems her discoveries may have very grave consequences for her and her family.

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### Book 39 The guests by Agnes Ravatn

Married couple Karin and Kai are looking for a pleasant escape from their busy lives, and reluctantly accept an offer to stay in a luxurious holiday home in the Norwegian fjords. Instead of finding a relaxing retreat, however, their trip becomes a reminder of everything lacking in their own lives, and in a less-than-friendly meeting with their new neighbours, Karin tells a little white lie... Against the backdrop of the glistening water and within the claustrophobic walls of the ultra-modern house, Karin's insecurities blossom, and her lie grows ever bigger, entangling her and her husband in a nightmare spiral of deceits with absolutely no means of escape...

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### Book 40 Payday by Celia Walden

Late at the office party, you're chatting to two female colleagues. You've never spoken before, but suddenly you're talking in hushed voices about Jamie, co-partner and 'golden boy' of the firm. About what he does to women. You all agree something must be done. The next day though, you're not so sure. After all, these situations are complicated, easily misinterpreted. Could there be another side to the stories your colleagues told? Was your own story quite as black and white as you claimed? But things have already escalated. And now the police are involved. They're calling Jamie 'the victim', but that's all wrong. Jamie is the guilty one. Isn't he?

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### Book 41 The square by Celia Walden

Addison Square is one of the most desirable addresses in London. But behind the bright white facades, darkness lurks... Colette spends a lot of her time at Addison Square. She knows the place and the people better than anyone. But the wealthy residents she works for can barely remember her name. Which is unfortunate, because Colette knows all about them. She sees all their secrets. Even the ones they'd kill to protect.

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### Book 42 Scorned by Kerry Kaya

Spiteful and twisted, Bethany Johnson is a woman scorned. After spending the past twenty years exiled, she's about to set foot on British soil and there's only one man in her sights, the man who once rejected her - Tommy Carter. Determined to make Tommy pay, Bethany will stop at nothing to get close to him again. But with his family and business interests in freefall Tommy hasn't got time to play Bethany's warped games.But ignoring Bethany again could be Tommy's biggest mistake, with devastating results for everyone.

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### Book 43 The reckoning by Kerry Kaya

An eye for an eye...Once the top dog, Danny Mckay has walked away from his old gangland life. He's on the straight and narrow now, looking forward to settling down and living a quiet life.But trouble seems to follow Danny. And when his own family is caught up in a shocking event, Danny is dragged back into the gangland world, hell bent on revenge.Danny's determined to make someone pay, but the rules are different this time around - old friends are enemies, and Danny doesn't know who he can trust.

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### Book 44 Two for the money by Blair Howard

The phone call came on a Tuesday evening in the middle of August. Harry Starke hadn't heard from his old school friend in almost five years, and he hadn't thought about him in almost as long. Tom Sattler wanted to meet, and it wouldn't wait until morning. But when Harry arrived at Sattler's home less than an hour later, he found him lying in a pool of blood with a single gunshot wound to his head and .22 revolver lying close to his hand. Was it suicide, or was Tom Sattler murdered? The search for answers plunges Harry into a far-reaching investigation that involves murder, corruption, organized crime, and duplicity.

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### Book 45 Hill House by Blair Howard

A woman lay beneath the floorboards of Hill House for for more than ten years. Harry Starke vows to discover who she was, who put her there, and why she had to die. To find the answers, Harry must embark upon an investigation that will put him and those close to him in deadly danger, take him to the lost and long-forgotten streets buried under the city, and deep into the Dark Web where he comes face to face with murder, organized crime, prostitution, and human trafficking.

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### Book 46 Last testament in Bologna by Tom Benjamin

When an old man makes a bequest to investigate the mysterious death of his son, English detective Daniel Leicester follows a trail leading to one of Bologna's wealthiest families - makers of some of the world's most coveted supercars - and discovers that beneath the glitz and glamour of the Formula One circuit lurk sinister interests that may be prepared to kill to keep their secrets.

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### Book 47 Presumption of guilt by Archer Mayor

A forty-year-old skeleton is found encased in a concrete slab at a recently decommissioned nuclear energy site. It becomes a case for the Vermont Bureau of Investigation (VBI) and its leader, Joe Gunther, since they have the resources and the ability to investigate an old, very cold, missing persons case that has now been reclassified as murder.

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### Book 48Trace by Archer Mayor

The Vermont Bureau of Investigation (VBI) has been pulled onto three cases at the same time; meanwhile, VBI head Joe Gunther has to take time off to care for his ailing mother. Sammie Martens is assigned a murder case. The victim is a young woman, the roommate of the daughter of medical examiner Beverly Hillstrom. Lester Spinney takes over a famous cold case, a double murder where a state trooper and a motorist were killed in an exchange of gunfire. Willy Kunkle’s case starts with a child’s discovery of three teeth on a railroad track, leading eventually to a case of possible sabotage against critical military equipment.

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### Book 49 Bury the lead by Archer Mayor

When the body of a young woman is found at a popular ski mountain, the case falls to Joe Gunther and his team. They quickly have a suspect and a confession, but not everyone on the team is convinced.

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### Book 50 Bomber's moon by Archer Mayor

Two young women form the heart of this tale. One is an investigative reporter, the other a private investigator. Uneasy allies from completely different walks of life, they work together - around and sometimes against Joe Gunther and his VBI cops - in an attempt to connect the murders of a small-town drug dealer; a smart, engaging, fatally flawed thief; and the tangled, political, increasingly dark goings on at a prestigious prep school. While Joe Gunther and the VBI set about solving two murders, Sally Kravitz and Rachel Reiling combine their talents and resources to go where the police cannot.

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### Book 51 The orphan's guilt by Archer Mayor

Looking to find mitigating circumstances for John Rust's arrest for drunk driving, his lawyer hires private eye Sally Kravitz to look into the recent death of John's younger brother. The debate over his death brings in Joe Gunther and his team. His efforts quickly uncover an ancient tale of avarice, betrayal, and vengeance that swirled around the Rust boys growing up, while the presumably innocent John Rust mysteriously vanishes with no explanation.

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### Book 52 Misery bay by Steve Hamilton

On a frozen January night, a young man hangs himself in a lonely corner of the Upper Peninsula, in a place they call Misery Bay. Alex McKnight does not know this young man, and he won’t even hear about the suicide until two months later, when the last person Alex would ever expect comes to him for help. What seems like a simple quest to find a few answers will turn into a nightmare of sudden violence and bloody revenge, and a race against time to catch a ruthless and methodical killer. McKnight knows all about evil. Mobsters, drug dealers, hit men―he’s seen them all, and they’ve taken away almost everything he’s ever loved. But none of them could have ever prepared him for the darkness he’s about to face.

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### Book 53 Die a stranger by Steve Hamilton

Late one night, a plane lands on a deserted airstrip. Five dead bodies are found there the next morning. And now Vinnie LeBlanc is missing. Vinnie is an Ojibwa tribal member, a blackjack dealer at the Bay Mills Casino, and he just might be Alex McKnight's best friend. There's a deadly crime war creeping into Michigan's Upper Peninsula, leaving bodies in its wake, and Alex wouldn't think for a minute that his friend could be involved. But when an unexpected and unwelcome stranger arrives in town, Alex will soon find out that the stakes are higher than he ever could have imagined.

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### Book 54 Night work by Steve Hamilton

New York juvenile probation officer Joe Trumbull Joe Trumbull is not a man who scares easily. But tonight he is scared to death. It’s been two years since the murder of Joe’s fiancée, Laurel. Two years of grief and loneliness. On this hot summer night, he is finally going on a blind date, his first since Laurel’s death. He’s not looking for love, just testing the waters to see if it’s possible to live a normal life again. And after the first awkward minutes, Joe starts to think this date wasn’t such a bad idea after all. In fact, maybe it will turn out to be one of the best things that ever happened to him. He couldn’t be more wrong. Because somehow, for reasons Joe doesn’t yet understand, this one evening will mark the beginning of a new nightmare—a nightmare that will lead him to realize that the past is never past. And the worst is yet to come.

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### Book 55 Murder in the library by Anita Davison

1916, London: Keen to support the war effort, bookshop manager and sometime amateur sleuth Hannah Merrill has taken a volunteer role in the library of the nearby military hospital. But arriving at the hospital one cold winter's morning, she is horrified to find the body of a dead soldier in the library. What's more, a beautiful young nurse confides in Hannah that she thinks she's being followed, and then she abruptly disappears. Hannah can't shake the suspicion that the two cases are connected, but she can't solve the case alone.

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### Book 56 Halfway house by Helen FitzGerald

When her disastrous Australian love affair ends, Lou heads to Edinburgh for a fresh start, moving in with her cousin. After a week of partying, she starts at the only job she can get, working at a halfway house for very high-risk offenders. On her first solo night shift, Lou wakes to discover that she has been locked in her room, and is being held hostage. With no one to turn to but the other residents - all of them dangerous criminals - Lou is forced to rely on her own resources. Turns out she's excellent at negotiating - and even better at killing.

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### Book 57 Resurrection walk by Michael Connelly

Defense attorney Mickey Haller is back, taking the long-shot cases where the chances of winning are one in a million. He agrees to represent a woman in prison for killing her ex-husband, a sheriff's deputy. Despite her conviction four years earlier, she still maintains her innocence. Haller enlists his half brother, retired LAPD Detective Harry Bosch, as an investigator. Reviewing the case, Bosch sees something that doesn't add up, and a sheriff's department intent on bringing a quick search for justice in the killing of one of its own. The path to justice for both the lawyer and his investigator is fraught with danger from those who don't want the case reopened. And they will stop at nothing to keep the Haller-Bosch dream team from uncovering what the deputy's killing was really about.

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### Book 58 Vertigo by Karen Herbert

Frances, a public servant, struggles to come to terms with the disappearance of her colleague. While piecing together spreadsheets and reports, she begins to discover clues that could help her solve the mystery of Eric's vanishing. As Frances uncovers a trail of corruption that leads to the highest levels of government, she must use her wits and resourcefulness to stay one step ahead of those who want to keep the truth hidden.

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### Book 59 A wing and a prayer by M. W Arnold

When Betty Palmer's sister dies under suspicious circumstances whilst landing her Tiger Moth, Betty and three other women pilots of the Air Transport Auxiliary in WWII England unite to discover who killed her and why. Estranged from her family, Penny Blake wants simply to belong. American Doris Winter, running from a personal tragedy, yearns for a new start. Naturally shy Mary Whitworth-Baines struggles to fit in. Together though, they are a force to be reckoned with as they face the mystery that confronts them.

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### Book 60 Wild blue yonder by M. W Arnold

Air Transport Auxiliary pilot Doris Winter is accused of stealing a valuable item from a famous Hollywood movie star, now a captain in the US Army Air Corps, after a dance at the air base in England where he's stationed. Gathering her close friends together, she's determined to clear her name.

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### Book 61 I'll be home for Christmas by M. W Arnold

A mysterious key left by her murdered sister takes Air Transport Auxiliary pilot Betty Palmer on a journey of discovery and danger. Her estranged parents force themselves back into her life, motivated purely by greed and self-preservation. Penny's life is unexpectedly turned upside down by a potentially life-changing situation that causes her wounded husband to question their marriage. No one seems safe in the turmoil of the middle years of the war, and some relationships face a breaking point whilst others become stronger.

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### Book 62 In the mood by M. W Arnold

In February 1944, the girls of the Air Transport Auxiliary Mystery Club face the devastating personal loss of one of their own in a tragic crash. At the same time, another member is blackmailed, whilst honeymoon plans of a third are threatened by a puzzling mystery. As they share each other's joys and troubles, the friends find the comfort and strength to go on with their vital work and dangerous investigations in wartime England, even when few situations are what they seem to be.

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## PARENTING AND FAMILY

### Book 63 The widow's choice by Nancy Revell

When Angie marries her sweetheart Quentin and moves into Cuthford Manor to begin their new life together, she feels like the luckiest woman in the world. But Quentin falls victim to a tragic accident and Angie's life is left devastated. Now, along with the prospect of rebuilding her life, she is faced with an impossible choice that will have far-reaching consequences for herself and those she loves most.

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### Book 64 A new home in the Dales by Betty Firth

October 1940. Twenty-three-year-old Bobby Bancroft is working as a typist for a city newspaper, but she longs to be breaking the news herself. When she successfully applies for a junior reporter role at The Tyke, a magazine serving the Yorkshire Dales, she's thrilled even if she only gets the position because so many men are away fighting. Bobby moves to the sleepy village of Silverdale, but she quickly discovers life in the countryside is a different world. Not only does she need to win over the local animals but there are a whole host of eccentric characters to get to know, not least of whom is her editor's younger brother: charming but infuriating village vet Charlie. As Bobby struggles to be taken seriously by the gruff dalesfolk, she starts to wonder if she's made a huge mistake. Will the city girl ever find her place?

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### Book 65 War comes to the Dales by Betty Firth

June, 1941. When Bobby Bancroft arrived in Silverdale to take a job as a reporter on The Tyke magazine, the sleepy Yorkshire Dales village felt like a little pocket of a past long gone. But war finally seems to have come to Silverdale. The villagers face new hardships when shortages and rationing begin to bite, young men become scarce as more are called up, and Bobby finds herself juggling her job on the magazine with a new role as an ARP warden. Even her surly editor Reg and his wife are doing their bit, agreeing to take two evacuees from London into their home. Meanwhile, Bobby has been growing closer to village vet Charlie. But with Charlie about to leave Silverdale to begin training with the RAF, will their relationship be able to survive the challenges and separation of war?

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### Book 66 Four sisters by Valerie Wood

Hull, 1852. Matty has been the mother to her three younger sisters since their mother's death ten years ago. To celebrate her 18th birthday, their father takes all four sisters on holiday where two painters offer to immortalise their happiness forever. But their joy is short-lived, a little while after they return home tragedy strikes: their father is hit by a horse whilst on his way to London and critically injured. The sisters have no way of knowing what has happened to him. With little money of their own, they're forced to live with their cruel uncle and battle life's misfortunes alone.

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### Book 67 Secrets and promises by Rosie Hendry

1944. With deadly doodlebugs terrorising London, Bessie Rushbrook agrees to give shelter to eight-year-old evacuee, Marigold, in her Norfolk home. However, the little girl is no stranger, and Bessie must honour the promise she gave to Marigold's mother, Grace, and not reveal her connection to the child. Marigold's arrival stirs up Bessie's memories from the past when the world was at war the first time. She is forced to face her actions from those days and question the haunting secret that she's long kept hidden. When Grace is injured in London, Bessie makes the heart-wrenching decision to confess her secret, knowing that it could destroy everything she holds dear.

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### Book 68 Diamond promises by Anna Jacobs

Lancashire, 1895. Abigail Dawson has lived in fear of her father for thirty years. But when, after uprooting them to a grand new home in Ollerthwaite, he's found murdered in the street, her life is turned upside down. Alone and caught in a web of her father's secrets, Abigail needs someone to rely on - so when hardworking handyman Rufus promises her a new life, she's thrilled at the chance to have a family of her own. But as they grow closer, could it be more than a marriage of convenience? Meanwhile, the rebuilding of the Ollerton estate is bringing new life to the valley - but old grudges, and new threats, are disturbing the peace. With plans for the Diamond Jubilee approaching, can the whole village band together to protect their home?

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### Book 69 A mother's journey by Donna Douglas

Hull, 1940. Edie Copeland has just arrived on Jubilee Row, carrying a secret and a heavy suitcase. She left York and her job at the Rowntrees works after tragedy struck to make a fresh start, but she's a stranger to this street, and her fellow tenant doesn't hesitate to remind her of this, widow or not. Luckily, the neighbours are a little more welcoming and Edie is soon made to feel at home by the Maguires and the Scuttles.

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### Book 70 A sister's wish by Donna Douglas

Spring 1941. The families of Jubilee Row are still reeling from the loss of one of their own, and as the Blitz on Hull intensifies, it seems as if there will be more tragedies to come. As the street braces itself, capable mum Ruby Maguire takes charge as usual, bolstering spirits and lending a hand, as well as keeping her flighty sister Pearl on the straight and narrow. But the unexpected appearance of a face from her past threatens Ruby's future far more than Hitler's bombs.

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### Book 71 A daughter's hope by Donna Douglas

Autumn, 1942. The Blitz has come to an end, but for many families, it's not over yet. As the residents of Jubilee Row begin to rebuild their lives, twins Sybil and Maudie Maguire decide to go off and do their bit by joining the WAAFs. But what starts off as a great adventure soon forces the girls to grow up as they are confronted with the harsh realities of war. Will they stick together, or will their experiences drive them apart? Back in Hull, their older sister Ada faces struggles of her own as she nurses the war wounded. But can anyone help to mend her own broken heart?

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### Book 72 The guardian angel by Kay Seeley

When Nell Draper leaves the workhouse to care for the five-year-old son of Lord Eversham, a wealthy landowner, she has no idea of the heartache that lies ahead of her. Robert can't speak. He can't tell her what makes him happy or sad. Nell has to work that out for herself. And not everyone is happy about Robert's existence. Can Nell save him from a desolate future, secure his inheritance and ensure he takes his rightful place in society?

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### Book 73 A girl called Hope by Kay Seeley

London's East End. Life for Hope Daniels in the public house run by her parents is not as it seems. Pa drinks and gambles, brother John longs for a place of his own, sister Violet dreams of a life on stage and little Alfie is being bullied at school. Silas Quirk, the charismatic owner of a local gentlemens club and disreputable gambling den her father frequents, has his own plans for Hope. When disaster strikes the family lose everything and the future they planned is snatched away from them. Secrets are revealed that make Hope question all she’s ever believed in.

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### Book 74 A girl called Violet by Kay Seeley

Violet Daniels isn't perfect. She's made mistakes in her life, but the deep love she has for her five-year-old twins is beyond dispute. When their feckless and often violent father turns up out of the blue, demanding to see them, she's terrified he might snatch them from her. She flees with them to a place of safety where she meets the handsome and charming Gabriel Stone. He shows her a better way of life, but is he everything he appears to be?

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### Book 75 A girl called Rose by Kay Seeley

The close, loving family life Rose has known is shattered when the country goes to war. Rose resolves to do her bit so, aged 16, she leaves home to train as a nurse in London. There she finds freedom, excitement and a different way of life. A brief encounter with a soldier opens her eyes to romance, but is he the man she thinks he is? Can first love survive long separation or will Rose discover that her heart belongs to another?

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## POETRY

### Book 76 New and selected poems: volume one by Mary Oliver

Mary Oliver was awarded the National Book Award for New and Selected Poems, Volume One.Since its initial appearance it has become one of the best-selling volumes of poetry in the country. This collection features thirty poems published only in this volume as well as selections from the poet's first eight books. Mary Oliver's perceptive, brilliantly crafted poems about the natural landscape and the fundamental questions of life and death have won high praise from critics and readers alike. "Do you love this world?" she interrupts a poem about peonies to ask the reader. "Do you cherish your humble and silky life?" She makes us see the extraordinary in our everyday lives, how something as common as light can be "an invitation/to happiness,/and that happiness,/when it's done right,/is a kind of holiness,/palpable and redemptive." She illuminates how a near miss with an alligator can be the catalyst for seeing the world "as if for the second time/the way it really is." Oliver's passionate demonstrations of delight are powerful reminders of the bond between every individual, all living things, and the natural world.

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## POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

### Book 77 The samurai contract by John Preston and Michael McDowell

In the arms race against Russia, the United States has eked ahead with their superior advancements in computer technology. All that changes when Russia recruits some of Japan’s finest scientific minds to build their greatest weapon yet: a supercomputer capable of annihilating the US’s formidable Star Wars defense system. Destined for the land of the Samurai, the Black Berets know just how much is riding on this latest mission. If Russia succeeds in its quest for world domination, the future of the warriors’ countrymen—and their loved ones—is bleak indeed.

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### Book 78 The Akbar contract by John Preston and Michael McDowell

India is a country divided, torn by religious strife and hounded by potential invaders on all sides. The world’s most powerful governments believe that whoever controls India holds the strategic advantage for global domination. As the chaos spins out of control, a name resurfaces after centuries of obscurity: Akbar. Beeker wants nothing to do with a tangle of religious fanatics—until he learns they’ve stolen two atomic bombs they intend to use in their new holy war.

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## ROMANCE

### Book 79 The wedding of the year by Jill Mansell

Love, friendship and secrets revealed as the sun beats down on dazzling blue Cornish seas... It's set to be a perfect day - until the chauffeur is asked to keep driving the bride around the church. This wedding definitely isn't going as planned. Lottie is a guest at the wedding when she sees Max. No kiss has ever matched the last one they shared 15 years ago. Now here he is, still ridiculously good-looking, teasing Lottie in the old way - and that overwhelming electric attraction is back. But Max is way out of bounds. Freya owes Cameron everything. But she doesn't love him. Which is a shame, because they're about to be married. Ruby has been the perfect wife. When she discovers the truth about her husband, her response is reckless and delicious. But after that, nothing will ever be the same again.

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### Book 80 Just one spark by Carly Phillips

Dash Kingston is living the rock 'n' roll dream until a baby scare wakes him up. Dash wants to clean things up, so he enlists a California blonde named Cassidy to pose as his fake girlfriend. A few months ago, Dash offered a shoulder for Cassidy to cry on. Somehow, they wound up spending the night together. She’s now serving as the band’s temporary personal assistant. But acting as Dash’s fake girlfriend is definitely not part of the job description. For the band’s sake, she agrees to play the role. But only a fool would make the same mistake twice, and Cassidy refuses to let their spark burn her a second time.

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### Book 81 Just one dare by Carly Phillips

Aurora Michaels isn’t the same girl she was that spring night. No longer homeless and living in the back room of a diner where she worked, she’s now a member of the wealthy Kingston family. She has her daughter, a career, and has adjusted to her new normal. Billionaire Nick Dare is a man who takes charge. He runs the hotel arm of the family empire, and his life revolves around business and travel. A quick stop at his brother’s movie premier has him doing a double take. The woman who haunts his dreams is there. He’s been given a second chance and is determined to make the most of it.

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### Book 82 Just one kiss by Carly Phillips

Jade Dare has done everything in her power to overcome her mother’s unstable influence. Changed her name. Became a success. Now she’s sworn off men. But when the chance to indulge in a little revenge sex with a man she’s secretly fantasized about arrives, she jumps in. Only to land heart-first into a case of the feels she can’t bring herself to trust. Knox Sinclair always suspected he liked his brother’s fiancé a little too much, that’s why he kept his hands to himself. But while Knox is busy convincing Jade they have a chance at forever, the past is planning one last parting shot.

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### Book 83 Just one taste by Carly Phillips

As owner and CEO of Dirty Dog Spirits, thirty-three-year-old Asher Dare has it all. Money. Power. Women whenever he wants. A private island retreat when he doesn’t. People he trusts? He can count those on one hand. When one of his best friends asks a favor—hide his twenty-one-year-old supermodel sister on the island until a scandal blows over—Asher can’t say no. But he doesn’t have to like it. Under soothing tropical breezes, Asher discovers that Nicolette is nothing like the spoiled brat portrayed in the tabloids. She’s warm, sexy, and a temptation Asher must resist at all costs—or he risks betraying his closest friend, bringing a powerful political dynasty to its knees … and losing the woman he loves.

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### Book 84 Yours truly, the duke by Amelia Grey

Fredericka Hale needs a husband, and fast. She's been caring for her deceased sister's three young children, and now a childless cousin has petitioned the court for custody. Fredericka is powerless to stop her, but having a husband may sway the ruling. The last thing Fredericka wants is a hurried-up marriage to a man she doesn't know - much less love, but she'll do it for the children. So when the handsome Duke of Wyatthaven shows up with a proposal, she accepts. He'll help her, and in return, they'll lead seperate lives. But distance cannot keep them from their powerful attraction.

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### Book 85 Sincerely, the duke by Amelia Grey

Miss Edwina Fine has one shot at finding a husband before the ton learns her secret. With red hair, green eyes, and being one of triplets, she knows the superstitions and rumors about women like her. So when a marriage proposal from the Duke of Stonerick arrives by mail, Edwina jumps at the chance to solve her problems. But nothing could prepare her for the attraction that sparks between them when they finally meet. It will take more than Edwina’s wit to navigate her past, reservations about marriage, and the passion that ignites within her for the irresistible duke. Rick, Duke of Stonerick, enjoys his life exactly as it is: honing his expert marksmanship, playing cards, and fencing with his friends. He even enjoys exchanging affectionate humor with his mother about his lack of matrimonial engagement. But when a recurring illness reminds Rick he has no heir, he picks a name from the list of prospects his mother presents and writes a simple marriage proposal. Then he forgets about it—until that very lady with an iron will and breathtaking bravery shows up at his doorstep, ready to accept. Edwina tempts him like no other and suddenly, marriage doesn’t seem much of an inconvenience after all. But will keeping his illness a secret cost him her love?

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### Book 86 Stand up guy by Nina Kaye

After a string of failed relationships - romantic and platonic - Lea's had enough of watching life happen without her. When she bumps into Shep, a comedian at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival in need of accommodation, it feels like destiny. And voila - Lea now has a lodger and some company. The two get on like a flat on fire, and Lea can't resist falling for outgoing Shep. But she knows it's a mistake that will cost her heart - he's just another guy passing through, after all. And with Shep's stand-up routine edging him closer to his big break, there's no way he'll stick around. Love is no laughing matter as the Fringe draws to a close. Can Lea find the confidence to step up and confess her feelings to Shep? Will he want to stay?

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### Book 87 The lost Duke of Wyndham by Julia Quinn

Jack Audley has been a highwayman. A soldier. And he has always been a rogue. What he is not, and never wanted to be, is a peer of the realm, responsible for an ancient heritage and the livelihood of hundreds. But when he is recognized as the long-lost son of the House of Wyndham, his carefree life is over. And if his birth proves to be legitimate, then he will find himself with the one title he never wanted: Duke of Wyndham. Grace Eversleigh has spent the last five years toiling as the companion to the dowager Duchess of Wyndham. It is a thankless job, with very little break from the routine . . . until Jack Audley lands in her life, all rakish smiles and debonair charm. He is not a man who takes no for an answer, and when she is in his arms, she's not a woman who wants to say no. But if he is the true duke, then he is the one man she can never have ....

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### Book 88 Mr. Cavendish, I presume by Julia Quinn

Amelia Willoughby has been engaged to the Duke of Wyndham for as long as she can remember. Literally. A mere six months old when the contracts were signed, she has spent the rest of her life waiting. And waiting. And waiting . . . for Thomas Cavendish, the oh-so-lofty duke, to finally get around to marrying her. But as she watches him from afar, she has a sneaking suspicion that he never thinks about her at all... It's true. He doesn't. Thomas rather likes having a fiance - all the better to keep the husband-hunters at bay - and he does intend to marry her . . . eventually. But just when he begins to realize that his bride might be something more than convenient, Thomas's world is rocked by the arrival of his long-lost cousin, who may or may not be the true Duke of Wyndham. And if Thomas is not the duke, then he's not engaged to Amelia. Which is the cruelest joke of all, because this arrogant and illustrious duke has made the mistake of falling in love . . . with his own fiance!

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### Book 89 Outback moonlight: the rogue by Annie Seaton

Kindergarten teacher Jacinta Mason is horrified when she attends the hen's night at the local pub for Sophie Cartwright, her future sister-in-law. Meeting Ryder Francesco again leaves her reeling. His new career is a far cry from his past studies in medical research. Jacinta is the last person Ryder expected to encounter on the outback tour with his male dance troupe. Circumstances have changed his life drastically since he had to leave her. Jacinta is torn. The hurt from her past tells her to steer clear of Ryder, but her heart wants to dig deeper and find why he really left.

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### Book 90 Chasing Cassandra by Lisa Kleypas

Railway magnate Tom Severin is wealthy and powerful, and has eyes for Lady Cassandra Ravenel. When Cassandra's reputation is nearly destroyed, Severin seizes the opportunity he's been waiting for. As always, he gets what he wants, or does he? The chase for Cassandra's hand may be over. But the chase for her heart has only just begun.

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### Book 91 Devil in disguise by Lisa Kleypas

Lady Merritt Sterling, a strong-willed young widow who's running her late husband's shipping company, knows London society is dying to catch her in a scandal. So far, she's been too smart to provide them with one. But then she meets Keir MacRae, and all her sensible plans vanish like smoke.

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## SCIENCE FICTION AND FANTASY

### Book 92 Dangerous visions by Harlan Ellison

A landmark short story collection that put the more character-based New Wave science fiction on the map, Dangerous Visions won several prestigious awards and was nominated for many others. This now-classic anthology includes thirty-three stories by thirty-two award-winning authors, over half of whom have won multiple Hugo and Nebula Awards. Contributing authors include: Robert Silverberg, Frederik Pohl, Brian W. Aldiss, Philip K. Dick, Larry Niven, Fritz Leiber, Poul Anderson, Theodore Sturgeon, J.G. Ballard, Samuel R. Delany, and Ellison himself.

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### Book 93 Home sweet hell by Gabby Hutchinson Crouch

It's New Year's Eve, and the Rook family are at odds with one another. Unfortunately, not only is their psychic rival Aurora coming to their hometown, but there's another visitor - Death. The newly appointed Replacement Reaper, who is not grim at all, but a very cute Canadian. He's here to end the world - albeit ethically and politely. This time, Armageddon is coming home. Can the family overcome their differences in time to stop the ultimate New Year Countdown? Who is Aurora, really? And, is Death single?

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## SPORTS

### Book 94 Tackle! By Jilly Cooper

Rupert Campbell-Black, undefeated race-horse owner and handsomest man in the world, is in the darkest of places. His adored wife, Taggie, is about to undergo chemotherapy, his beloved horse Love Rat has died, and now his daughter Bianca wants him to buy a languishing local football club - a sport Rupert knows nothing about - so she can return to Rutshire with her football star husband.

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## CHILDREN’S BOOKS

### Book 95 Slugfest by Gordon Korman

A group of underdogs come together when they attend summer school for failing PE. Teaming up with the most hapless crew in school can really surprise a person. And their teacher might be hiding the biggest surprise yet.

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### Book 96 Wayfinders by Bryan Chick

When a giant crashes into her house, where there is a mermaid is in the bathtub and a unicorn in the barn, Chloe and her dad begin a wild adventure to save the fairy-tale creatures and help them return home.

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### Book 97 Dirrarn by Carl Merrison and Hakea Hustler

We first met Mia in Black Cockatoo, as she navigated her way through culture, Country and familial ties. Dirrarn follows Mia as she finds herself at boarding school and the challenges of living thousands of kilometres away from home, family and the big sky country she loves. Mia along with her best friend, Naya, negotiate new friends, new ways of thinking and new ways of being in a different world. As Mia wrestles with all that is unfamiliar, she soon must learn to stand in her truth when confronted with unending challenges.

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### Book 98 Stella by McCall Hoyle

Ever since Stella was a puppy, she was trained to use her powerful beagle nose to sniff out chemicals used in explosives and warn her human handler in order to keep people safe. But during a routine security inspection, Stella is distracted and misses the scent of an explosive chemical. The sound of the blast is loud and scary. Stella survives but her handler—her best friend in the whole world—is gone. Stella blames herself, certain she’s a bad dog. Scared of loud noises, especially thunder and fireworks, Stella struggles with her anxiety and must be retired from being a service animal. Several families try to foster her, but sometimes Stella is so scared she howls or digs or tears things up with her teeth. She wonders if anyone will want to adopt her.An expert dog trainer, Esperanza, thinks she can help. It’s Stella’s last chance to prove she can be a good dog. Stella has every reason to love her new family, especially the young human named Cloe who smells like chocolate chip cookies, newly cut grass, the pages of books, and something else—a strange chemical she can’t quite identify. Cloe has epilepsy, and a chemical inside her body surges just before she has a seizure. Stella’s nose makes the connection. But how can she warn Esperanza without her thinking it’s just Stella’s usual anxiety? How can she convince her new family that she can be a new kind of service dog and hopefully save Cloe’s life? Told from Stella’s point of view, listeners will experience life through a dog’s eyes, ears, and, especially, her nose.

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### Book 99 Just Gus by McCall Hoyle

Gus is a livestock guardian dog with one job—protecting his farm from coyotes and foxes. He likes keeping the sheep, the chickens, and his humans safe, and he’s very good at it. One day, Diego and his dad come to visit the farm, and Gus immediately connects to the small boy. They both like to sit still and enjoy the quiet, and Gus can tell that Diego likes being around a gentle giant of a dog, that it helps relieve the boy’s constant worry. When Gus detects the scent of a bear in the woods, he rushes to protect his flock, injuring his leg in a fight with the dangerous beast. Wounded, Gus needs to rest and heal away from his sheep, so he doesn’t risk reinjuring his leg. Diego suggests Gus come home with them to the North Carolina coast. Suddenly, Gus is thrust into a new world of saltwater and sand and neighbors who don’t appreciate the presence of a large guard dog, like the neighbor who reminds Gus of his first owner—the junkyard man with the heavy boots. Gus realizes Diego might need a friend as much as his sheep need a protector, but if he can’t learn to control his instincts, like barking and patrolling the neighborhood, Gus might lose his chance to stay in his new home. If he can’t protect the farm or his boy, Gus worries he might never find his place in the world.

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### Book 100 Millie by McCall Hoyle

Millie is a feisty border terrier who lives on the streets and has a keen sense for finding scraps of food, usually in the shadows or the cover of darkness. She protects herself with a shield of what is perceived by many as aggression—barking and snarling—when in reality, Millie is just plain scared. Turned over to animal control after a recent run-in with the dogcatcher, Millie is rescued by a special education teacher who also rehabilitates and rehomes dogs. It’s a win-win. Together, the dogs and her students learn emotional resilience, anger management, and other coping skills. When one of the students, a struggling reader named Tori, shows a natural gift for dog training and working with fearful dogs, Millie is temporarily placed in her care. Tori may be young, but she knows a thing or two about anger, fear, and abandonment after her mother could no longer care for her and she was placed in kinship care with her grandfather. Millie wonders if she’s finally found her person and begins to let down her emotional guard. But when trust and belonging are challenged, Millie reverts to old habits—fleeing, hiding, and growling. Will she end up back on the streets? Or can Millie and Tori embrace their training, trust in each other, and find a forever home together?

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## TEENS

### Book 101 An improbable season by Rosalyn Eves

When Thalia, Kalliope, and Charis set off to Regency London for their first season, they each have clear goals―few of which include matrimony. Thalia means to make her mark among the intelligentsia and publish her poetry, Charis hopes to earn her place among the scientific elite, and Kalliope aims to take the fashionable ton by storm. But this season, it doesn’t take long for things to fall apart. Kalli finds herself embroiled in scandal and reliant upon an arranged marriage to redeem her reputation. Thalia’s dreams of publication are threatened by her attraction to a charming rake. And Charis finds herself an unexpected social hit―and the source of a family scandal that her heart might not survive. Can this roller-coaster season find its happily ever after?

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### Book 102 An unlikely proposition by Rosalyn Eves

Eleanor did not come to London to be proper and boring. After the death of her husband and a year of mourning, the seventeen-year-old wants nothing more than her independence and to have a little fun. Eleanor quickly devises a plan that includes a fake engagement. Eleanor's newfound companion Thalia is hoping to begin afresh after a disastrous first Season in London. Determined to get her poems published, Thalia struggles to be taken seriously as a female writer. As the spring progresses, she does not expect to take interest in a man from her past, but some feelings demand to be felt even if the timing isn't quite right.

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### Book 103 Geek girl by Holly Smale

Harriet Manners is a geek. As if the Oxford English Dictionary on her nightstand isn't enough of a clue, there are also the weird looks she gets at school, and the way no one appreciates her extensive trivia knowledge. So when her friend Nat drags her along to a fashion show and Harriet is accidentally discovered by a modeling agent, she leaps at the chance to reinvent herself. Harriet isn't sure she'll ever learn to navigate the terrifying world of high fashion - at least not without falling off a runway and embarrassing herself in front of her gorgeous new costar, Nick. But ready or not, she's about to learn whether she has what it takes to transform from geek to chic.

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### Book 104 Model misfit by Holly Smale

Harriet Manners knows that humans have 70,000 thoughts per day. And that the average person eats a tonne of food a year, though her pregnant stepmother is doing her best to beat this. But Harriet doesn't know what she'll do once the new baby arrives. And with her summer ruined, modelling in Japan seems the perfect get away. Can Harriet cope with Tokyo, her competitive model flatmates and her errant grandmother chaperoning?

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### Book 105 Picture perfect by Holly Smale

Harriet Manners knows more facts than most. She knows that New York is the most populous city in the United States. She knows that its official motto is ‘Ever Upward’. But she knows nothing whatsoever about modelling in the Big Apple and how her family will cope with life stateside. And even more importantly, what to do when the big romantic gestures aren’t coming your way from your boyfriend…

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### Book 106 All that glitters by Holly Smale

Harriet Manners has high hopes for the new school year: she’s a Sixth Former now, and things are going to be different. But with Nat busy falling in love at college and Toby preoccupied with a Top Secret project, Harriet soon discovers that’s not necessarily a good thing…

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### Book 107 Head over heels by Holly Smale

Harriet Manners knows almost every fact there is. She knows duck-billed platypuses don’t have stomachs. She knows that fourteen squirrels were once detained as spies. She knows only one flag in the world features a building. And for once, Harriet knows exactly how her life should go. She’s got it ALL planned out. So when love is in the air, Harriet is determined to make things happen! If only everyone else would stick to the script…

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### Book 108 Forever geek by Holly Smale

Harriet Manners knows almost every fact there is. Modelling isn’t a sure-fire route to popularity. Neither is making endless lists. Statistically you are more likely to not meet your Australian ex-boyfriend in Australia than bump into him there. So on the trip of a lifetime Down Under Harriet’s to-do lists are gone and it’s time to shine! Yet with nearly-not-quite-boyfriend Jasper back home, Harriet’s completely unprepared to see supermodel ex Nick. Is the fashion world about to turn ugly for geek girl?

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