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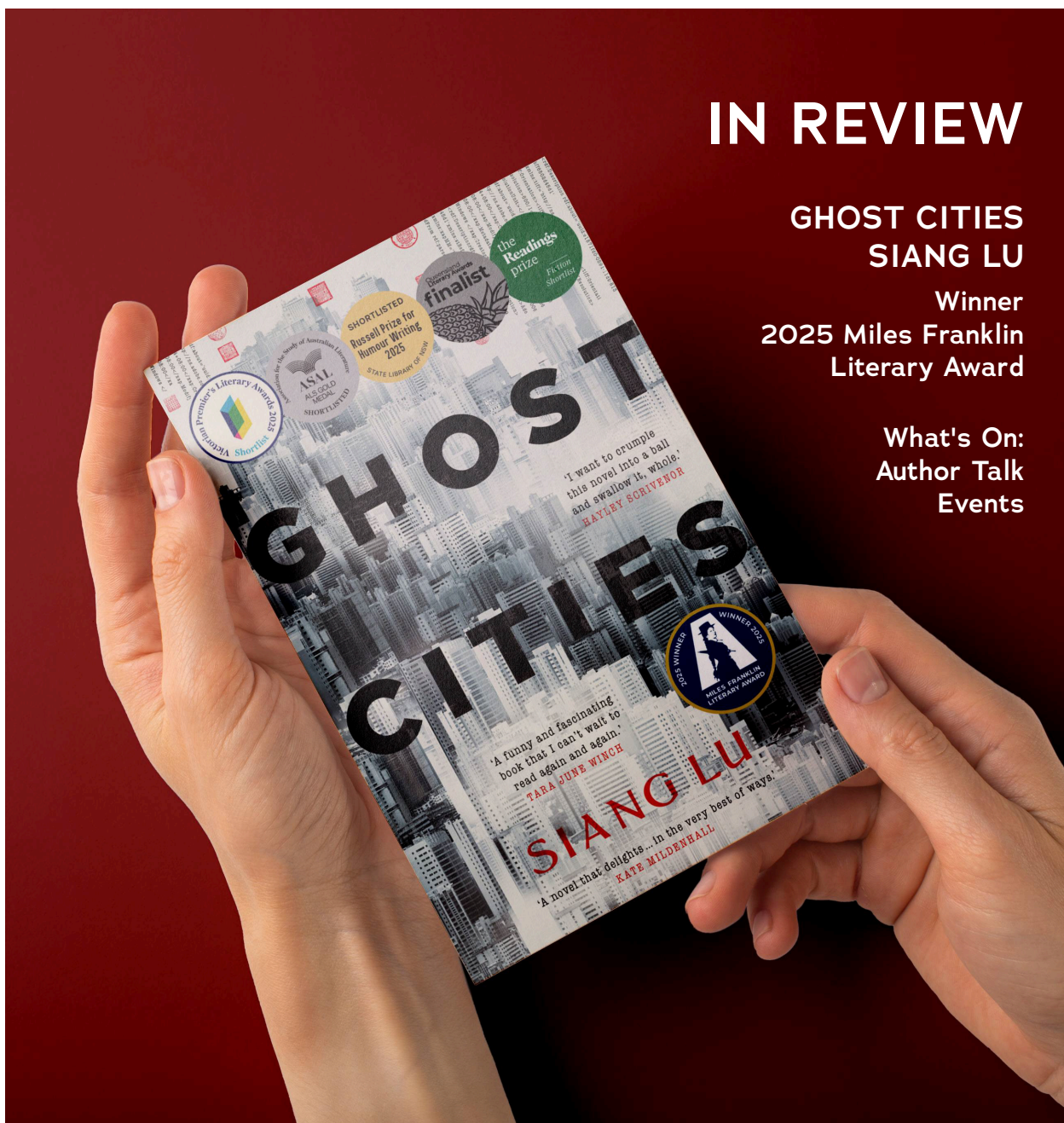
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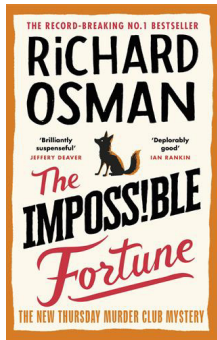
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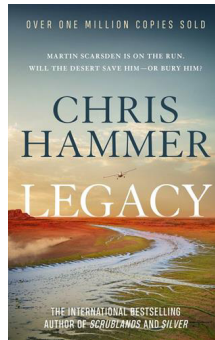
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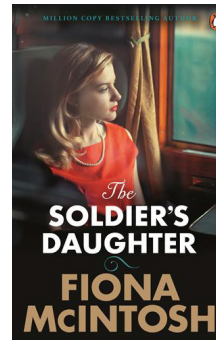
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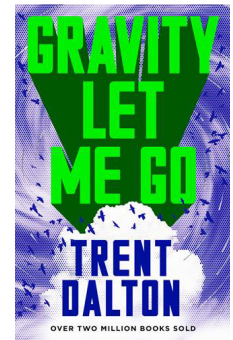
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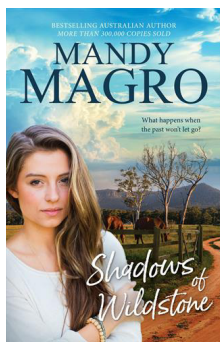
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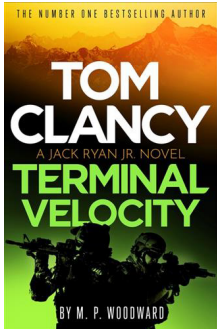
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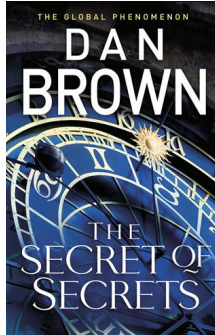
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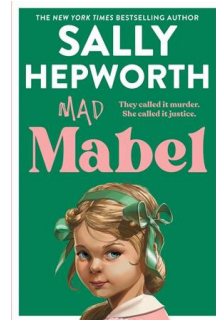
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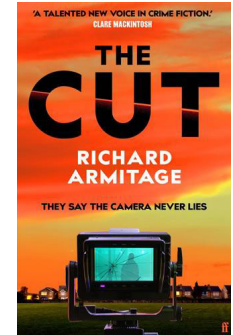
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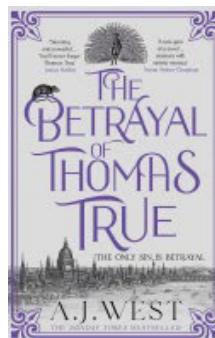
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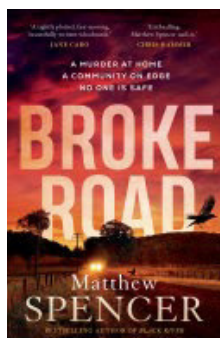
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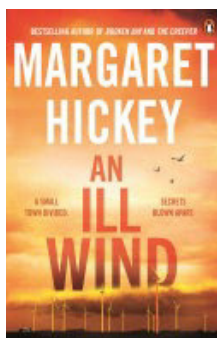
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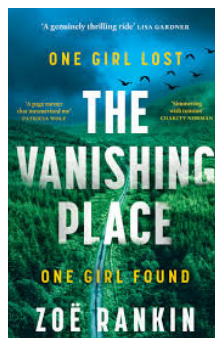
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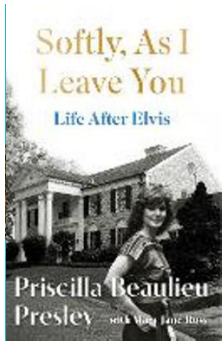
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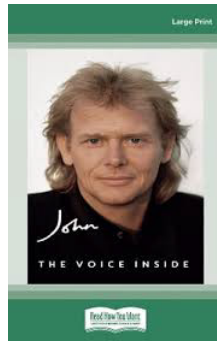
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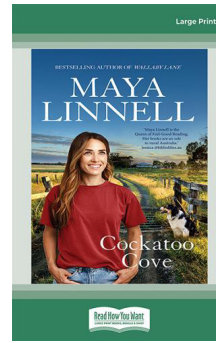
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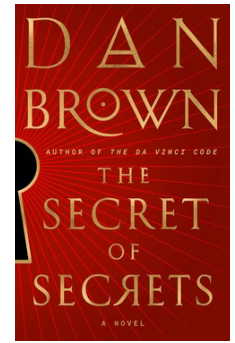
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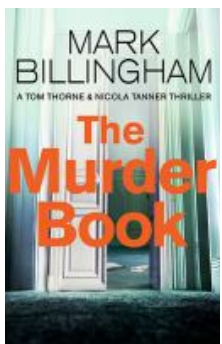
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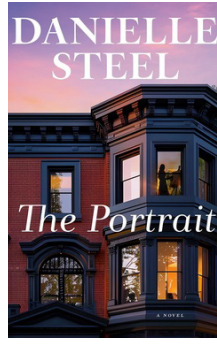
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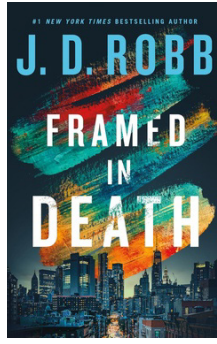
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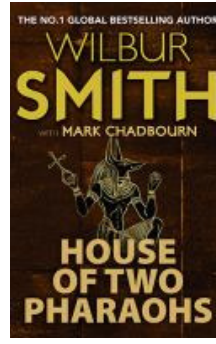
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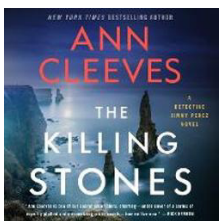


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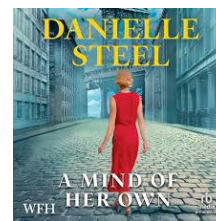
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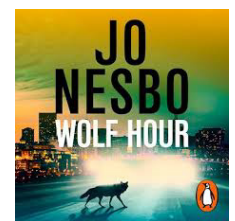
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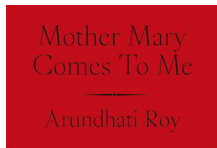
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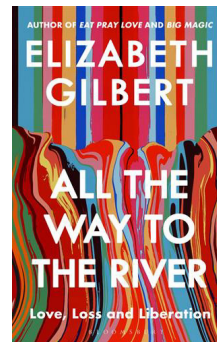
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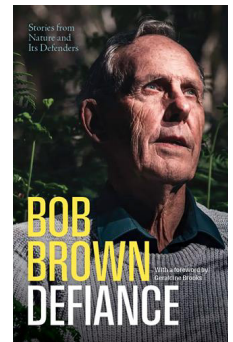
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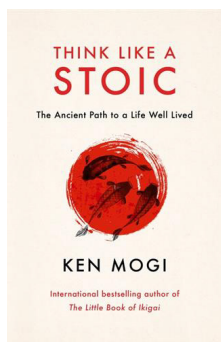
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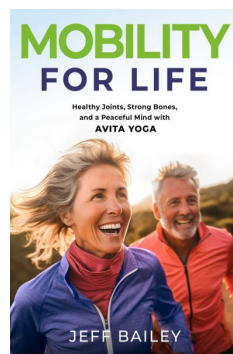
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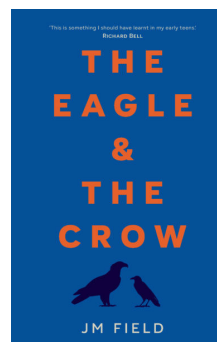
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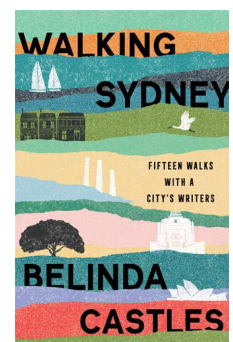
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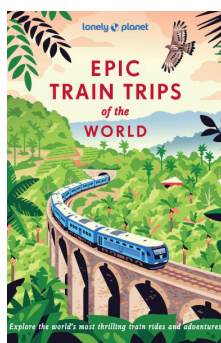
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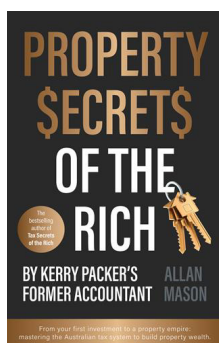
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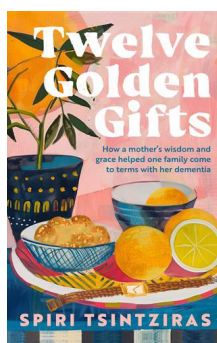
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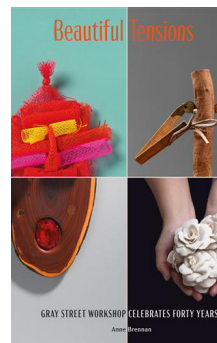
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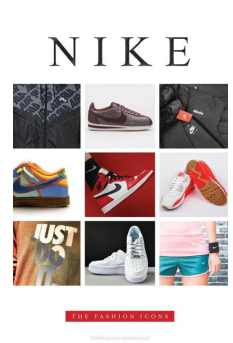
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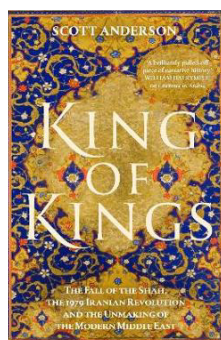
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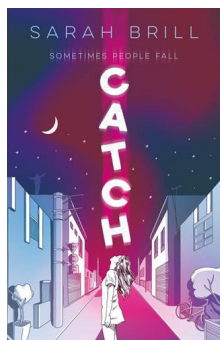
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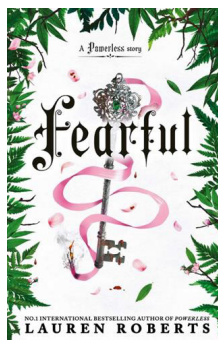
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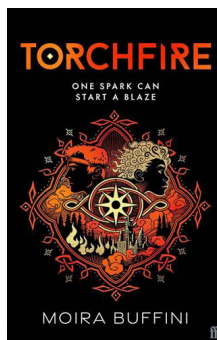
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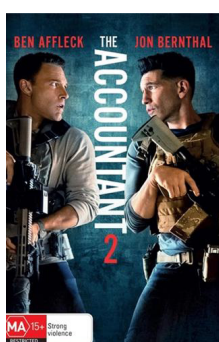
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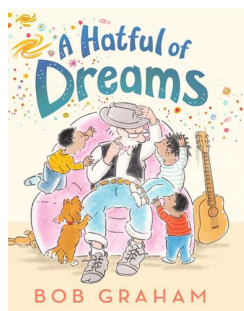
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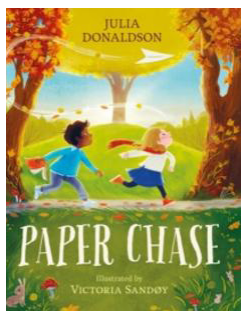


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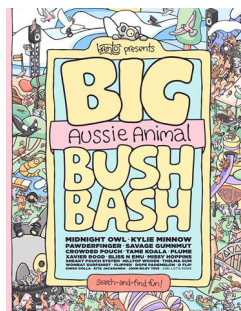
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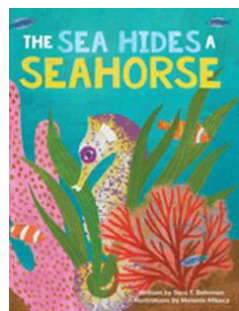
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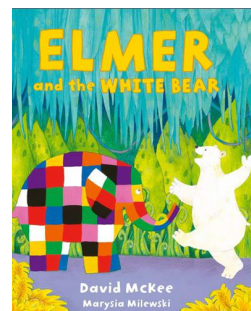
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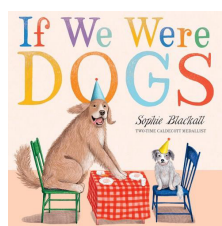
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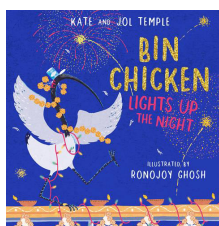
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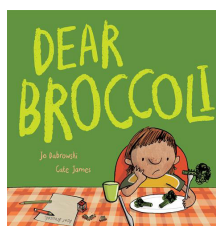
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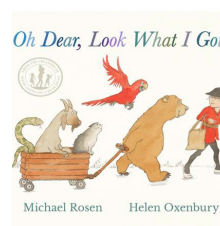
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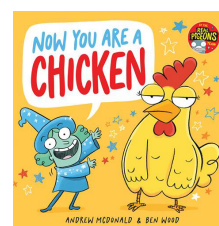
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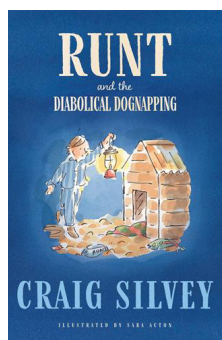


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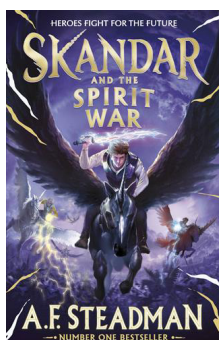


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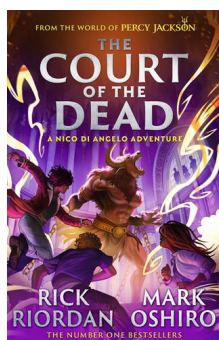
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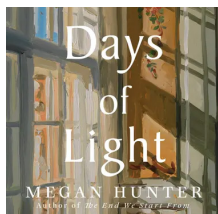
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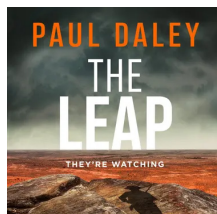
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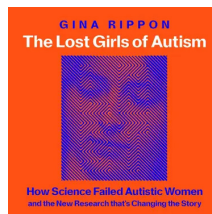
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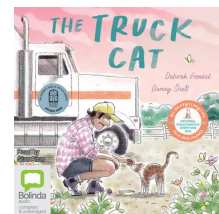
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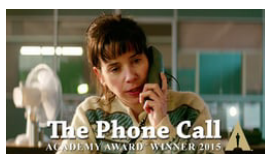
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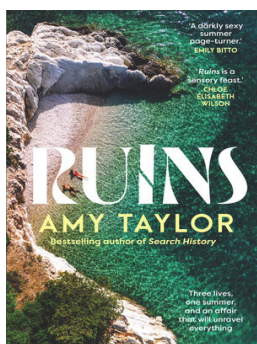
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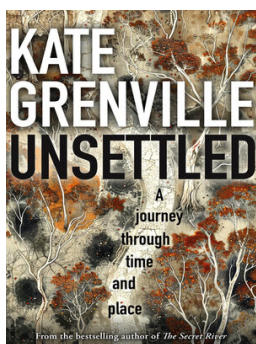
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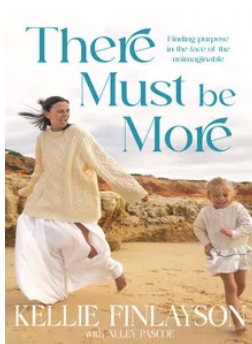
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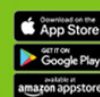
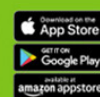
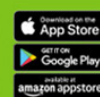


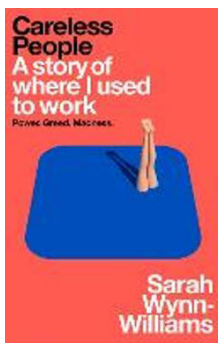
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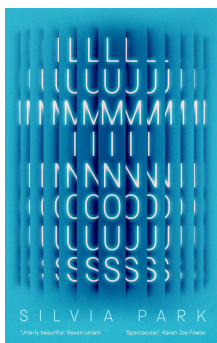


Careless People

Sarah Wynn-Williams

A former director of global public policy at Facebook (now Meta) shares her experiences at a company that

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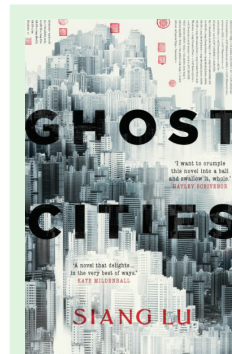


Luminous

Silvia Park

Set in a near-future Korea where robots live among humans, this novel follows siblings Jun and Morgan as they grapple with the loss of their

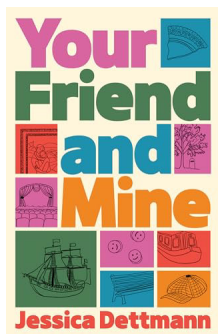
brother, Yoyo. It raises thought-provoking questions about human cruelty, robot rights, and what it truly means to be human.



Ghost Cities

Siang Lu

Ghost Cities by Siang Lu is a wildly inventive debut about a Chinese-Australian man fired from the consulate for faking his translation skills—only to be swept into a surreal film project in a haunted city. Bold, strange, and unforgettable, Lu marks himself as a thrilling new voice in Australian fiction.



Your Friend and Mine

Jessica Dettmann

When Margot receives an email from her best friend Tess—who died 20 years ago—it sets her on a journey to

London. Tess has gifted her a trip, but with a twist: Margot must complete tasks to scatter Tess's ashes, joined by Tess's stepbrother Leo. A heartfelt story of grief, friendship, and second chances.

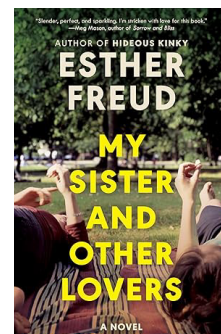


Arborescence

Rhett Davis

Bren works remotely, disconnected from strange colleagues. Caelyn feels helpless as the world unravels—until she

discovers a cult that believes standing still long enough turns them into trees. As the idea spreads, friends vanish and trees appear in unexpected places...

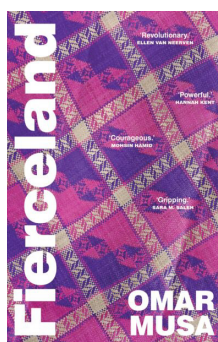


My Sister and Other Lovers

Esther Freud

A captivating coming-of-age story of love, sisterhood, and betrayal. Lucy is torn between her rootless mother

and her intense sister Bea. As the sisters explore love, drugs, and motherhood, Bea begins to drift away. Can their bond survive the weight of secrets and a past too painful to confront?



Fierceland

Omar Musa

In Fierceland, siblings Roz and Harun return to Borneo for their father's funeral—and to confront his legacy. A palm-oil tycoon

who razed rainforests, Yusuf also buried dark secrets. As past and present collide, this sweeping family saga explores love, betrayal, and the cost of silence.



News Cowboys

Mike Amor

In News Cowboys, veteran Australian correspondent Mike Amor reflects on a decades-long career covering major global

events. With vivid storytelling, he takes readers behind the headlines, offering a compelling time capsule of moments that shaped public consciousness.

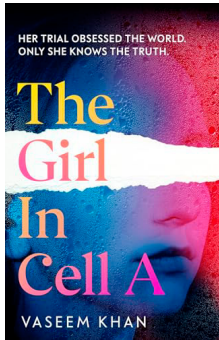


The Question of Palestine

Edward W. Said

First published in 1979, The Question of Palestine remains a powerful critique of colonialism. This new edition

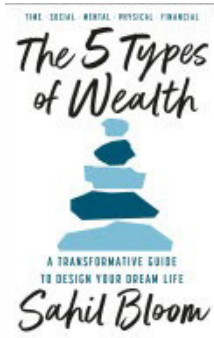
includes a foreword by Saree Makdisi, nephew of Edward Said. As violence continues in Gaza, Said's insights remain urgent and deeply relevant.



The Girl in Cell A Vaseem Khan

The Girl in Cell A is a gripping psychological thriller told through prison psychologist Annie Ledet and accused killer Orianna Negi.

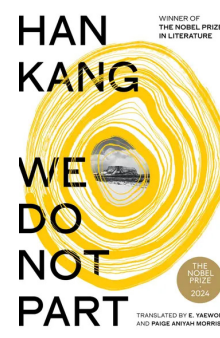
Orianna claims innocence, but the evidence is overwhelming—her fingerprints, gunshot residue, and motive. The twist? She can't remember what happened.



The 5 Types of Wealth Sahil Bloom

Sahil Bloom presents a powerful framework for redesigning your life around five essential forms of wealth:

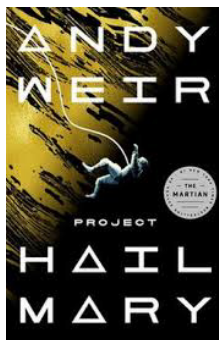
Time, Social, Mental, Physical, and Financial. Bloom's approach helps you rethink your priorities and gave you practical tools to make meaningful changes.



We Do Not Part Han Kang

Han Kang's 2024 Nobel-winning novel follows Kyungha to Jeju Island, summoned by her injured friend to save a pet bird.

A snowstorm hits, and Kyungha is unaware of the darkness awaiting her in the island's haunting forests.



Project Hail Mary Andy Weir

Ryland Grace wakes alone on a spaceship, millions of miles from Earth, with no memory and only two corpses for company. He's humanity's last

hope—but he doesn't know it yet. A film adaptation starring Ryan Gosling is currently in production,



Universality Natasha Brown

A journalist investigates a brutal farm attack involving a gold bar, uncovering ties to a corrupt banker, a rebellious

columnist, and anarchists. Her exposé solves the mystery—but sparks deeper intrigue.



We Were Dangerous (DVD)

In 1954 New Zealand, Nellie, Daisy, and Lou are sent to a remote island institution for delinquent girls, ruled by the strict and devout

Matron. While Nellie and Daisy plot rebellion, Lou clings to the rules—putting their fragile alliance to the test.

Quick Picks – our hottest reads

Come in a grab a Quick Pick or place a hold via the catalogue.

Quick Picks are our most popular reads and are available for a quick turnaround two-week loan period.



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Meet the Author: Tricia Stringer

Friday, 10 October 2025
6:30pm — 8:00pm
St Peters Library

Harper Collins, and Norwood, Payneham & St Peters Libraries invite you to an event with beloved, bestselling Australian author Tricia Stringer as she launches her new novel *The Road Trip*

For more information and to book:
www.npsp.sa.gov.au/libevents



AN EVENING WITH KATE ATKINSON

Join us Tuesday,
23rd September 2025
at 6:30pm ACST
Register via the link

In Conversation with Kate Atkinson - Exclusive Author Event with BorrowBox

Wednesday, 23 September
2025
7pm AEST

Discover the wit and brilliance of
Kate Atkinson in a live online event

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Booker Prize 2025

The longlist for the 2025
Booker Prize has been
announced.

Chosen from 153 entries, the
longlist this year includes
authors representing 9
nationalities across 4
continents. With 5 titles in the
list, the UK has the highest
number of longlisted titles this
year.

- Love Forms / Claire Adam
- The South / Tash Aw
- Universality / Natasha Brown
- One Boat / Jonathan Buckley
- Flashlight / Susan Choi
- The Loneliness of Sonia and Sunny / Kiran Desai
- Audition / Katie Kitamura
- The Rest of Our Lives / Ben Markovits
- The Land in Winter / Andrew Miller
- Endling / Maria Reva
- Flesh / David Szalay
- Seascraper / Benjamin Wood
- Misinterpretation / Ledia Xhoga



Good Reading Competition

September 2025

Visit the Good Reading website
and tell us the name of the
author featured on the
September cover to go in the
running. You can enter by:
Filling out an entry form available
at NPSP Libraries, or
Emailing your answer to
stpadmin@npsp.sa.gov.au

<https://goodreadingmagazine.com.au/>



Meet the Author: Chris Hammer

Friday, 24 October 2025
6:30pm-8:00pm
Norwood Concert Hall

Join us for an evening with Chris
Hammer, bestselling author of
'Scrublands', in conversation about
his new novel, 'Legacy'.

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Activities for Young Children

During School Term

Join us for Baby Bounce and Storytime at St Peters and Payneham Libraries on various days and times during the school term.

Free. No booking required.

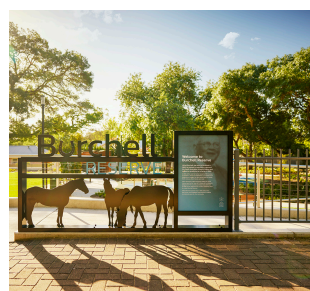


1 on 1 Computer & Mobile Device Help

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Need to know more about using your laptop, Internet, eBooks, tablet, or how to get started? Book a 45 minute personalised session today!

Free. Booking required.



Nature Story Walk Adventure

Monday, 29 September 2025
10:30am — 11:30am
Burchell Reserve

Walk and listen to Story - collect interactive items as we go and listen to music

Free. Booking required.



The Frog Files: Citizen Science with FrogWatch SA

Friday, 3 October 2025
10:30am — 11:30am
Payneham Library

Join frog expert Steve Walker to explore South Australia's native frogs and the research helping us understand them better.
Free. Booking required.



Branch Out! A Nature Celebration

Wednesday, 8 October 2025
10:30am — 12:30pm
Linde Reserve

Join us these school holidays for a joyful day of nature discovery and creativity! This free event is part of Nature Festival.

Free. Booking required.



Plant Based Nutrition

Saturday 11 October 2025
10:30am-12:00pm
St Peters Library

Join us for an engaging and informative session exploring the power of plant-based nutrition in preventing, managing, and even reversing chronic diseases.
\$5. Booking required.



Nature's Foundations 4

3 October - 15 November 2025
The Gallery at St Peters Town Hall
Three artists exhibiting in Nature's Foundations 4; each artist interprets and expresses how the environment of remote Australia has influenced and inspired them.



Get Online Week

20 - 26 October 2025

Join fun, free events in your community to build digital skills and help close the digital divide.

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Booking required.

Free. No booking required.

Events at the Libraries

Join us at our libraries for family-friendly events.
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Opening Hours

	Norwood Library 110 The Parade, Norwood	Payneham Library 2 Turner Street, Felixstow	St Peters Library 101 Payneham Road, St Peters
Monday	Closed	Closed	9.30am–5.00pm
Tuesday	1.00pm–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm
Wednesday	1.00pm–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm	9.30am–1.00pm
Thursday	1.00pm–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm
Friday	9.30am–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm
Saturday	10.00am–1.00pm	10.00am–1.00pm	10.00am–4.00pm
Sunday	1.00pm–4.00pm	1.00pm–4.00pm	Closed



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