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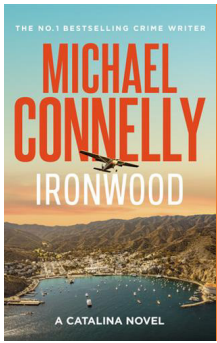
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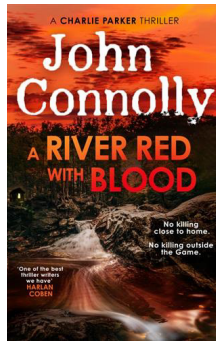
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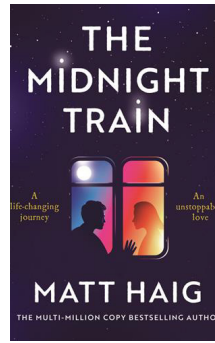
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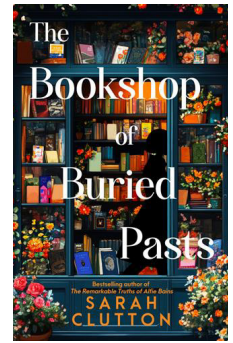
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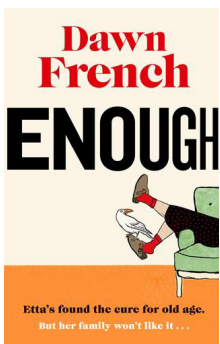
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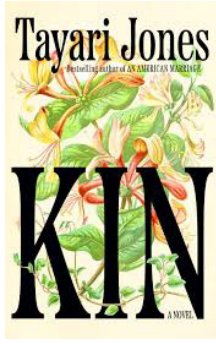
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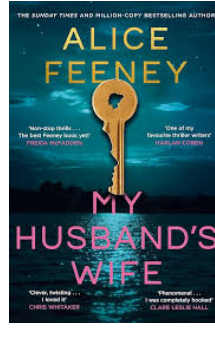
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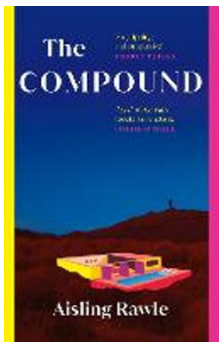
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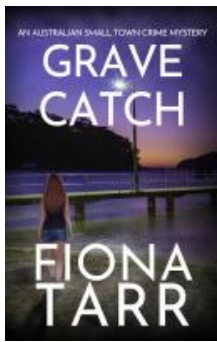
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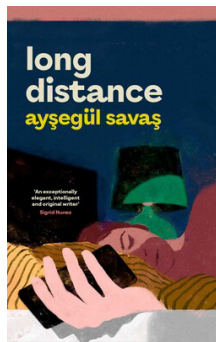
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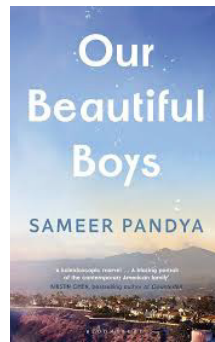
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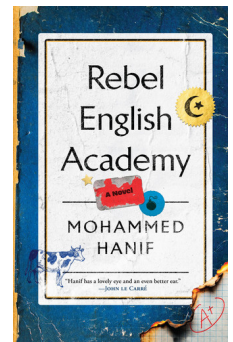
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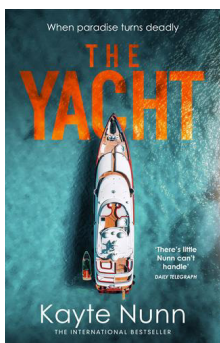
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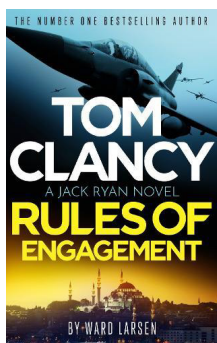
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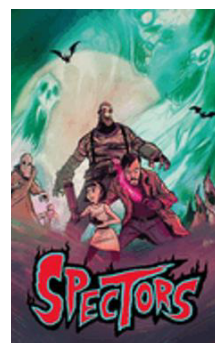
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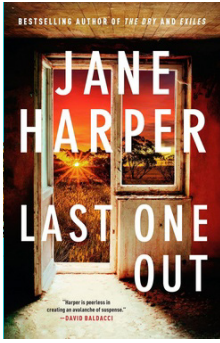


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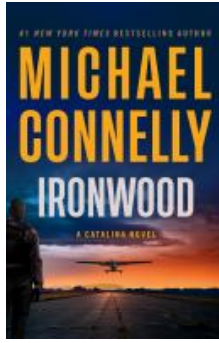


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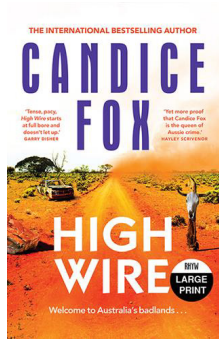
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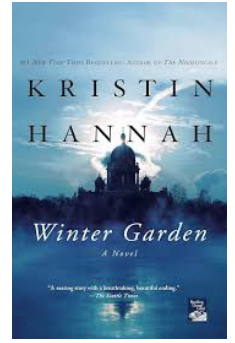
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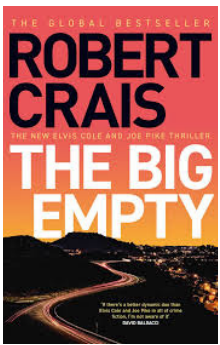
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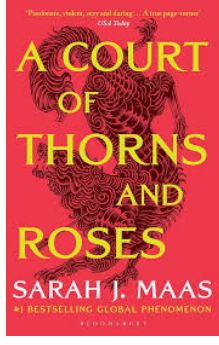
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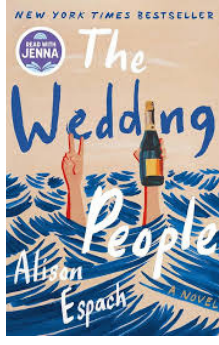
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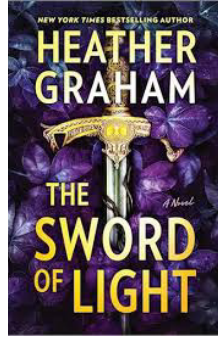
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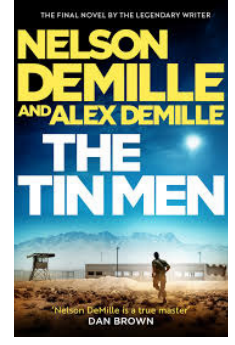
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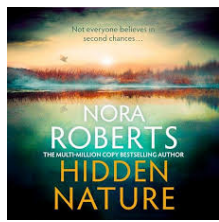


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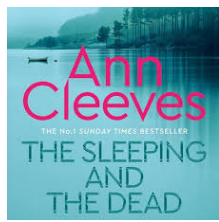
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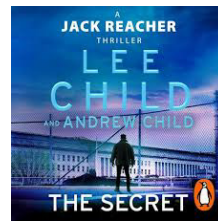
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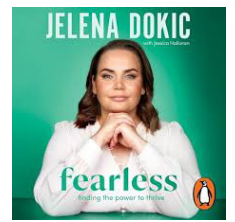
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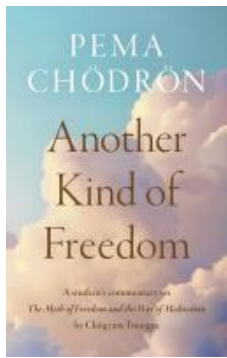
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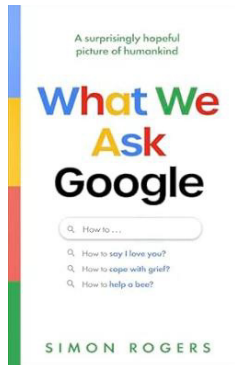


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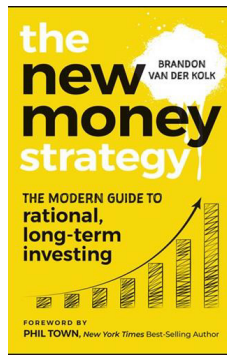
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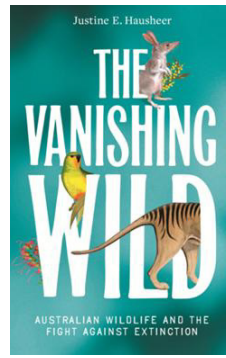
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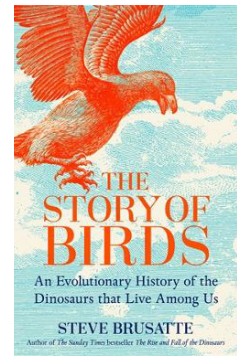
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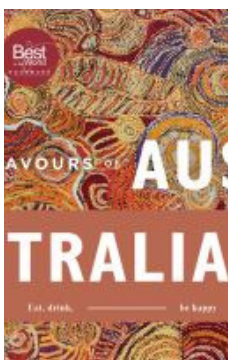
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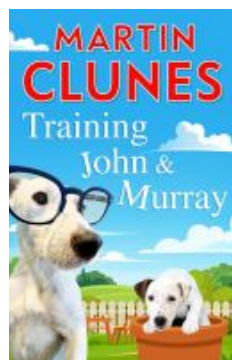
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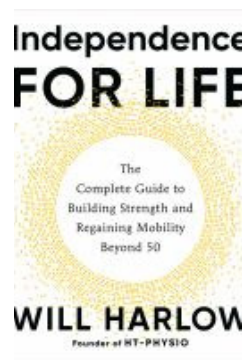
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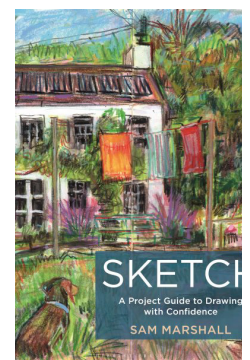
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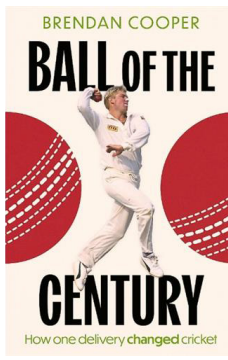
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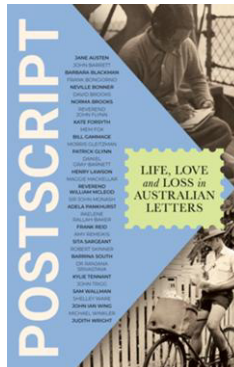
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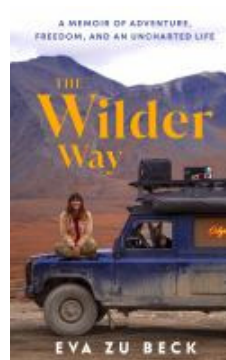
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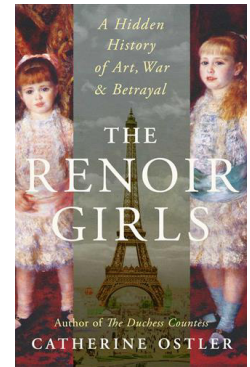
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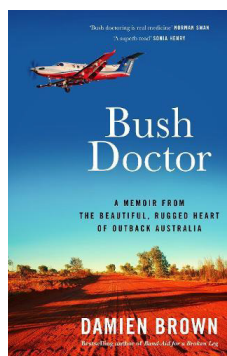
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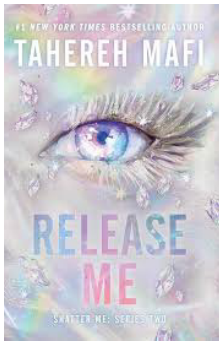


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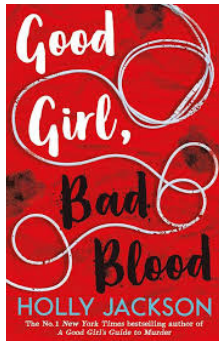


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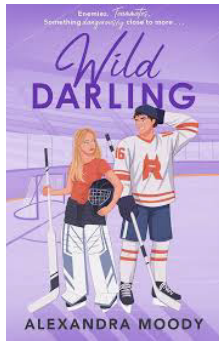
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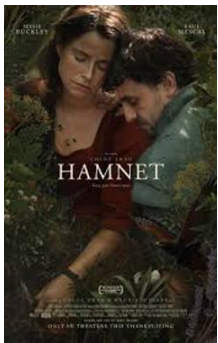


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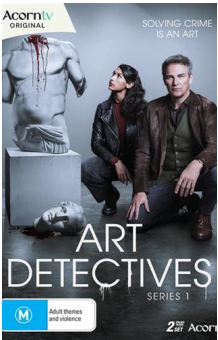
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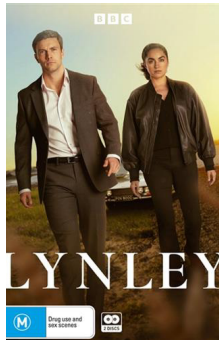
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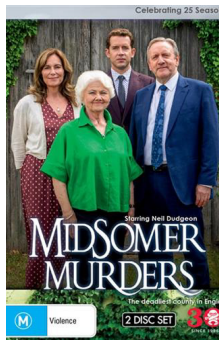
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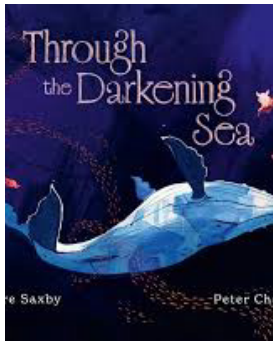
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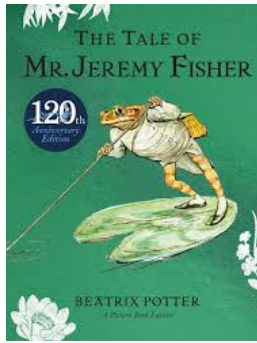


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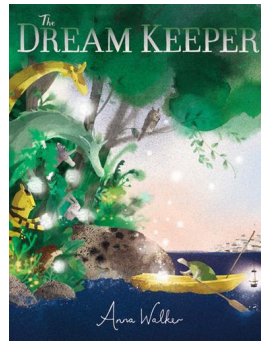
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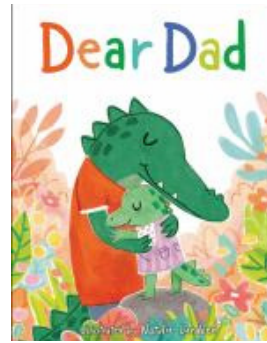
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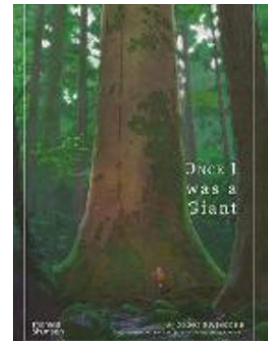
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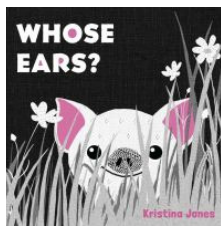
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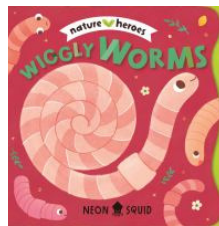
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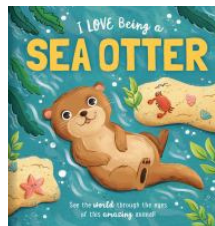
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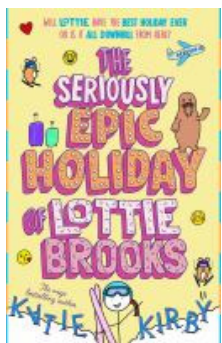


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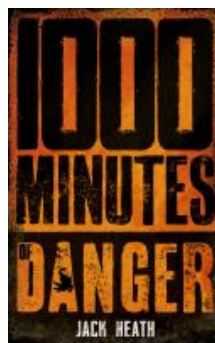
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Erin Hunter



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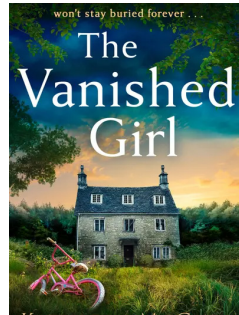
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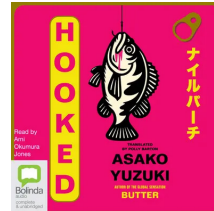
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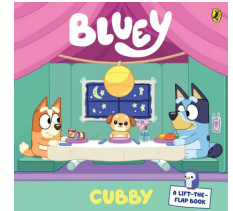
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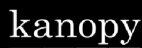
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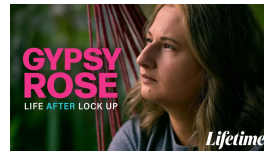
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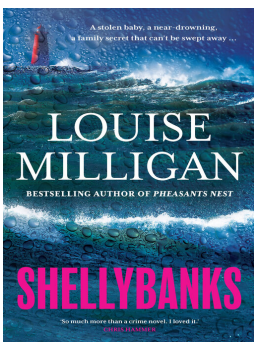
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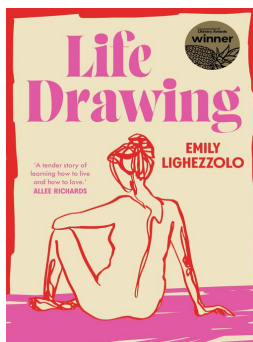
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Family



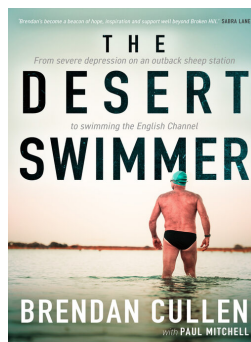
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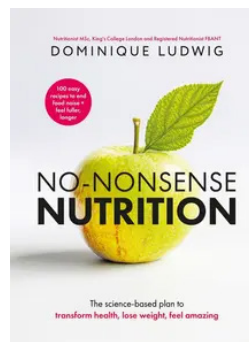
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Louise Milligan



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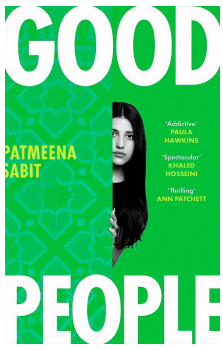
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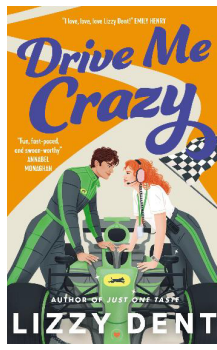
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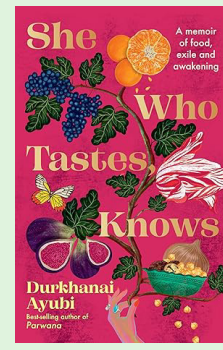
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Lizzy Dent

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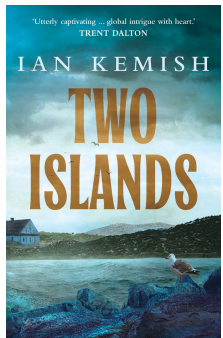
and childhood crush seeking redemption after a devastating crash, as professional tension sparks into something more.



She Who Tastes, Knows
Durkhanai Ayubi

A moving cultural memoir by Durkhanai Ayubi, born in Afghanistan in the 1980s and resettled in Australia as a

refugee, where food became her link to homeland, from family kitchens to Adelaide's celebrated restaurant Parwana.



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Set in the 1990s after the Balkan War, Niko flees to Scotland's remote west to hide after testifying in a war crimes trial. Befriending

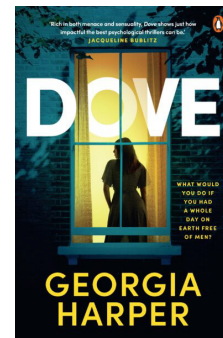
reclusive Slow Fergus, his past resurfaces as investigator Anita Costello searches Australia for her missing witness.



Strange Houses
Uketsu

A writer obsessed with the macabre investigates a Tokyo house for sale and discovers a hidden "dead space" within its

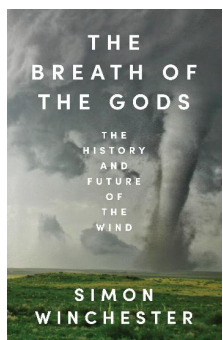
walls. Through unsettling floor plans, this fast-paced, highly original thriller exposes a chilling secret buried in one family's past history.



Dove
Georgia Harper

Set in a small Queensland town in 1993, Dove sparks upheaval after writing a provocative question on a wall following a violent

encounter. As women respond, tensions rise, unsettling the community and igniting deeply buried conflicts across the fractured town.



The Breath of the Gods
Simon Winchester

Winchester investigates Earth's atmosphere, from hurricanes, tornadoes and fires to wind as

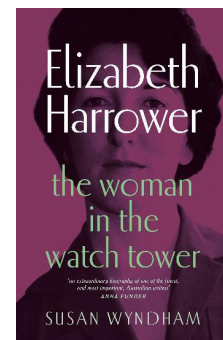
energy. Sweeping and perceptive, the book traces humanity's efforts to understand and harness air, revealing how climate change is transforming the atmospheric systems shaping everyday life and disasters.



A Woman's Eye, Her Art
Drusilla Modjeska

Modjeska examines early twentieth-century women artists long reduced to muses, including Dora Maar, Lee Miller, and Paula

Modersohn-Becker. She explores their lives and art, challenging male-centred narratives and restoring creative agency to overlooked modernist women of the modern era.

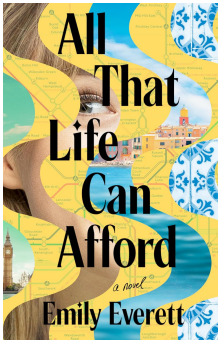


Elizabeth Harrower
Susan Wyndham

Australian novelist Elizabeth Harrower wrote some of the twentieth century's acclaimed psychological

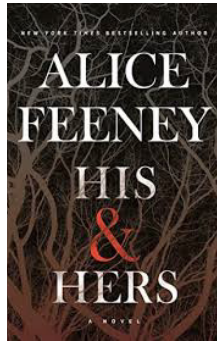
fiction before abruptly stopping in the 1970s. In this engrossing biography, Susan Wyndham explores her silences, friendships, and books, seeking answers only possible after Harrower's death in 2020.

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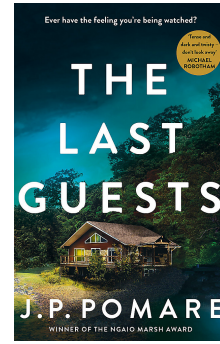
All That Life Can Afford
Emily Everett
Anna, a literature graduate student in London, struggles to survive financially until

she falls in with the wealthy Wilders. Swept into their glamorous world, she must sustain mounting deceptions as mistaken identities and excess threaten the dream she inhabits there.



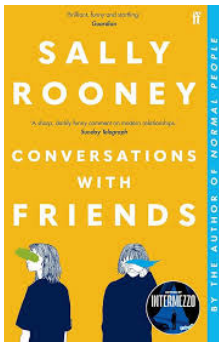
His & Hers
Alice Feeney
Newsreader Anna Andrews dreads covering a murder in her childhood village until the victim proves a former friend. As suspicion tightens

and detective Jack Harper becomes a suspect himself, buried secrets surface, and deadly lies reveal the truth at last.



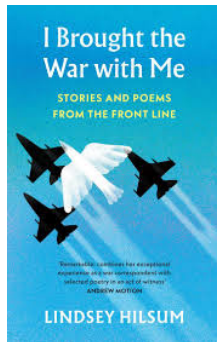
The Last Guests
J P Pomare
Lina and Cain, a young Auckland couple, rent Lina's childhood Lake Tarawera home to tourists to ease financial strain. When a visit turns deadly,

buried traumas surface and Lina learns that opening your home to strangers can invite terrifying secrets.



Conversations with Friends
Sally Rooney
Frances, a 21-year-old bisexual student writer in Dublin, performs slam poetry with her ex-girlfriend-turned-best-friend

Bobbi. Meeting renowned photographer Melissa and her husband Nick disrupts her life, awakening an unsettling attraction to Nick that challenges her identity and desires unexpectedly profoundly.



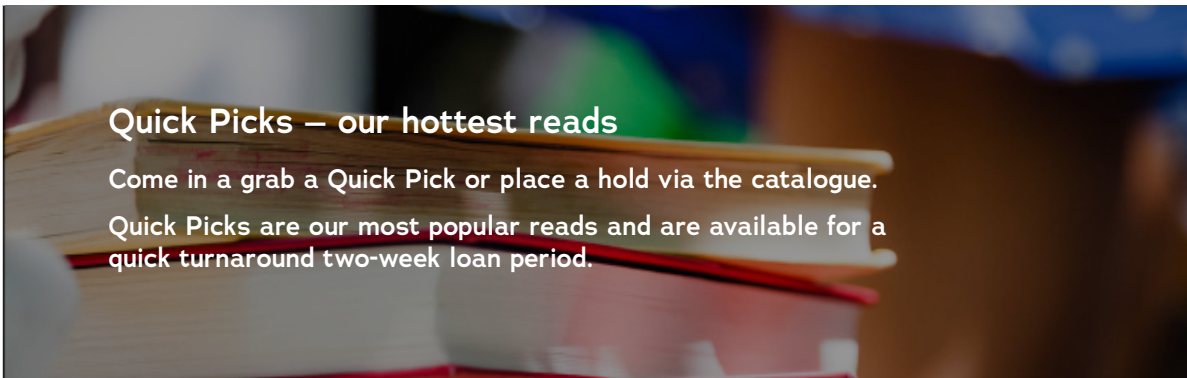
I Brought the War with Me
William Faulkner
A unique memoir of four decades reporting conflict zones, Channel 4 News international editor Lindsey Hilsum pairs

personal accounts from Rwanda to Ukraine with war poetry worldwide, using verse to process trauma and reveal human truth when prose is inadequate.



The Life of Chuck (DVD)
The Life of Chuck, directed by Mike Flanagan and adapted from a Stephen King novella, unfolds across three chapters in the life of ordinary

man Charles Krantz. Told in reverse, the story moves from the death of a rigid accountant at 39 back to a childhood marked by a haunting, supernatural glimpse of his destiny.



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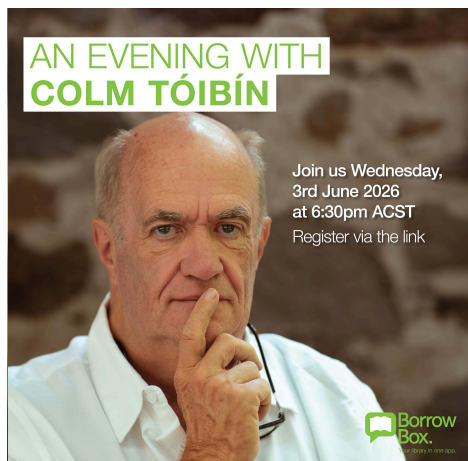
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SA History Festival
1 - 31 May

Join us for the 2026 History Festival and discover the rich and fascinating history of NPSP. Throughout History Month, we will be offering a range of activities, including:

- Exhibitions
- Workshops
- Walking tours
- Sketching and drawing workshops
- Discover the Research Room



BorrowBox Presents an Exclusive Live Event with Colm Tóibín

Wednesday, 6 June
6:30pm ACST with Zoom

Bestselling Irish author of the award-winning page-turner, Brooklyn, will be joining BorrowBox content expert, Natasha Boyd, for an in-depth online discussion and Q&A session.



Good Reading Magazine Competition
1 - 31 May

Visit Good Reading for Kids and find out which book features as the main feature banner at the top of the page.

Email the author's name to stpadm@npsp.sa.gov.au to go in the running to win! Competition closes May 31st. The winner will be notified in June.



Libby Reads with Ben Hobson ft. Amy Taylor

Tuesday, 26 May
7pm ACST with Zoom

Join us for an evening of discussion with Amy Taylor, author of Ruins, the featured title on Libby for May's Libby Reads with Ben Hobson.

Register for Free Zoom Event.
<https://pages.libbylife.com/Ben-Hobson>



- The Nights Are Quiet in Tehran by Shida Bazayr
- We Are Green and Trembling by Gabriela Cabezón Cámara
- The Remembered Soldier by Anjet Daanje
- The Deserters by Mathias Énard
- Small Comfort by Ia Genberg
- She Who Remains by Rene Karabash
- The Director by Daniel Kehlmann
- On Earth as It Is Beneath by Ana Paula Maia
- The Duke by Matteo Melchiorre
- The Witch by Marie NDiaye
- Women Without Men by Shahrnush Parsipur
- The Wax Child by Olga Ravn
- Taiwan Travelogue by Yáng Shuāng-zǐ,



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Baby Time

During school terms

St Peter's Library
Mondays 9:30am – 10:00am

Payneham Library
Tuesdays 9:30am – 10:00am

Free. No booking required.



Story Time

During school terms

St Peter's Library
Mondays, 10:30–11:30am

Payneham Library
Tuesdays, 10:30–11:30am

Free. No booking required.



Everybody Sing! A Multicultural Storytime

Every second Thursday
10:00am
Payneham Library

14 May, 28 May & 11 June

Free. No booking required.

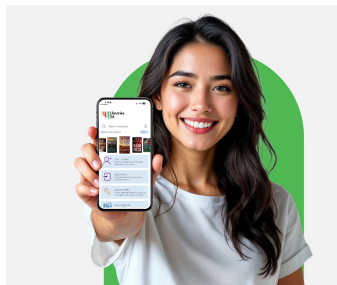


Author Talk: Ben Crowe

Monday, 1 June
Norwood Concert Hall

Hosted by Rebecca Morse, Ben will be discussing his new book, *Where the Light Gets In*, which has become one of the most popular books in our libraries.

\$25. Booking required.



Android Phones - Beginners Guide

Thursday, 28 May
10:30am — 12:00pm
St Peters Library

Join us for this friendly small group session where we will be teaching you the basics of using an Android phone.

Free. Booking required



Sleep Better, Live Better Wholistic Sleep Workshop

Saturday, 27 June
10:30am — 12:00pm
St Peters Banquet Hall

Join holistic sleep scientist Sabine Christelli for an enlightening and practical workshop that explores the science and soul of sleep.

\$5.00. Booking required.



Drop-in Tech Help

Payneham Library
Thursdays 2:30–4pm

Our Library volunteers will be on hand to help you with your technology questions and to help you discover ways to stay connected.

Free. No booking required.



1 on 1 Computer & Mobile Device Help

St Peters Library
Fridays

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.

Free. No booking required.

Events at the Libraries

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Opening Hours

	Norwood Library	Payneham Library	St Peters Library
	110 The Parade, Norwood	2 Turner Street, Felixstow	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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