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**So Much for That** Nov 26 2022 An extraordinary novel from the Orange Prize winning author of 'We Need to Talk About Kevin'.

Double Fault Jun 09 2021 'When feminism has become the politics that dare not speak its name, it is refreshing to find an author who will bring such renewed vigour to the gender wars' Guardian

**Private Means** Feb 23 2020 Spanning the course of a single summer, Private Means is acclaimed memoirist Cree LeFavour's sumptuous fiction debut--a sharply observed comedy of manners and a moving meditation on marriage, money, and loss.

*Kolymsky Heights* Aug 31 2020 'The best thriller I've ever read.' Philip Pullman *Kolymsky Heights*. A Siberian permafrost hell lost in endless night, the perfect setting for an underground Russian research station. It's a place so secret it doesn't officially exist; once there, the scientists are forbidden to leave. But one scientist is desperate to get a message to the outside world. So desperate, he sends a plea across the wildness to the West in order to summon the one man alive capable of achieving the impossible... 'Excellent... *Kolymsky Heights* is up there with *The Silence of the Lambs*, *Casino Royale* and *Smiley's People*.' Toby Young, *Spectator* 'A breathless story of fear and

courage.' Daily Telegraph

*Lionel in the Fall* Oct 01 2020 For Lionel, fall means starting a new school year, raking leaves, and getting to dress up as a knight and chase a dragon from house to house on Halloween.

**All Aboard!** May 08 2021 To commemorate the milestone of Lionel Train Company's 100th anniversary comes an updated second edition of ALL ABOARD!, the marvelous story of Joshua Lionel Cowen and the toy trains he created. Originally published in 1981, ALL ABOARD! brings back the classic electric trains for all those who remember them. The Santa Fe came in gleaming silver and shiny red. The New York Central was gray and white. World War I models carried seige guns, a 1957 engine came in pink for girls. There were Pullmans and steam locomotives, Lehigh Valley coal cars, lumber cars, and a design from 1964 that carried radioactive waste and the Mercury capsule. A&E Network named Lionel trains a "Top Ten Toy" of the century-#4 specifically. But the story of

Lionel trains is far from over. Co-owned by rock star Neil Young, who bought the company because of his autistic son's love for the trains, the Lionel Train Company is stronger than ever, and is evolving with the times by employing remote control, sound chips, and other technical innovations. With 32 all-new pages and scores of colorful illustrations from the archives of Lionel catalogs, ALL ABOARD! is the definitive collector's book on the subject.

*The Female of the Species* Jul 10 2021 The first novel from the Orange Prize-winning author of We Need to Talk about Kevin is a compelling and provocative story of love and how we suffer for it.

Lionel Asbo Nov 14 2021 A savage, funny, and mysteriously poignant saga by a renowned author at the height of his powers. Lionel Asbo, a terrifying yet weirdly loyal thug (self-named after England's notorious Anti-Social Behaviour Order), has always looked out for his ward and nephew, the orphaned Desmond Pepperdine . . .

He provides him with fatherly career advice (always carry a knife, for example) and is determined they should share the joys of pit bulls (fed with lots of Tabasco sauce), Internet porn, and all manner of more serious criminality. Des, on the other hand, desires nothing more than books to read and a girl to love (and to protect a family secret that could be the death of him). But just as he begins to lead a gentler, healthier life, his uncle—once again in a London prison—wins £140 million in the lottery and upon his release hires a public relations firm and begins dating a cannily ambitious topless model and “poet.” Strangely, however, Lionel's true nature remains uncompromised while his problems, and therefore also Desmond's, seem only to multiply.

*Poilâne* Mar 06 2021 For the first time, Poil0/00ne, CEO of the Poil0/00ne bakery, provides detailed instructions so bakers can reproduce its unique "hug-sized" sourdough loaves at home, as well as the bakery's other

much-loved breads and pastries. Beyond bread, Poil0/00ne includes recipes for such pastries as tarts and butter cookies. cookies.

*Beautiful Animals* Apr 07 2021 The best intentions can be deadly During a white-hot summer on the idyllic Greek island of Hydra, two girls fall into one another's lives to devastating effect. When Samantha, a young, impressionable American, meets Naomi, a Brit with a taste for danger, their relationship quickly takes on a special intensity. Amid the sun, sea and high society of island life, their imaginations are sparked when one day they find a young Arab man, Faoud, washed up on shore, a casualty of the crisis raging across the Aegean. But when their seemingly simple plan to help the stranger goes wrong, all must face the horrific consequences they have set in motion.

*A Perfectly Good Family* Dec 23 2019 Following the success of 'We Need to Talk About Kevin' and 'The Post-Birthday World', 'A Perfectly Good Family' is coming back into print after being

unavailable for years.

Another Life Apr 26 2020 THE STUNNING AND UNFORGETTABLE LOVE STORY ABOUT HOPE, SACRIFICE AND BELONGING 'An astounding debut about sibling grief, religion and sliding doors love' PANDORA SYKES 'Like if One Day had been written by Sally Rooney' 5\*\*\*\*\*  
READER REVIEW 'A modern day Atonement meets David Nicholls. Beautifully written - I couldn't put it down' EMMA GANNON  
'Absolutely loved it. I thought about it as I went to bed, as I was washing up' GIOVANNA FLETCHER A BBC2 BETWEEN THE COVERS PICK \_\_\_\_\_ Nick and Anna are young. They meet at a cinema, both working summer jobs. They've lived different lives. Carry secret hurts. But they're drawn together by something neither understands. Fast forward and they've long ago gone their separate ways. Inhabiting different worlds. Shaped by the hurt they bear. Yet neither can quite forget the other. So when tragedy brings them back together, they find

themselves asking . . . What if we took a chance on another life? \_\_\_\_\_ 'This beautiful tale of love, loss and sacrifice will break your heart . . . Perfectly captures the agony of falling in love' DAILY MAIL 'I have a feeling that this will be one of my favourite books of 2021! I could not put it down, it's so, so good' 5\*\*\*\*\*  
READER REVIEW 'Prepare for all the feels in this heart-breaking must-read' FABULOUS MAGAZINE 'I loved it. Beautifully written, it made me think about love and breaking out into a world that is completely different' ZOE LYONS 'An intricate story of love . . . A beautiful piece of writing' SUNDAY EXPRESS 'I was devastated to finish this book. It broke my heart, and if you're a fan of Sally Rooney, Another Life is something you'll want. The characters are real, the themes of grief, family and loss are so raw. Chapman is a master' DAILY RECORD 'Fans of David Nicholls will adore this complex love story' PRIMA 'The Romeo and Juliet of our generation' GILLIAN MCALLISTER 'This beautiful tale of love, loss

and sacrifice will break your heart . . . Perfectly captures the agony of falling in love' DAILY MAIL 'Stunning. Written with such poignancy, full of nostalgia, unspoken longing and the agony of wrong turns' BETH MORREY 'A complex, beautiful, multilayered debut exploring love in all its forms' WOMAN'S WEEKLY 'I have a feeling that this will be one of my favourite books of 2021! I could not put it down, it's so, so good' 5\*\*\*\*\* READER REVIEW

The Mandibles: A Family, 2029-2047 Sep 24 2022 THE BRILLIANT NEW NOVEL FROM THE ORANGE PRIZE-WINNING AUTHOR OF WE NEED TO TALK ABOUT KEVIN. 'Distinctly chilling' Independent 'Unsettling as it is entertaining' Financial Times 'It's scaring the hell out of me' Tracy Chevalier

*We Need To Talk About Kevin* Aug 11 2021 Eva never really wanted to be a mother; certainly not the mother of the unlovable boy who murdered seven of his fellow high school students, a cafeteria worker and a teacher who tried to

befriend him. Now, two years later, it is time for her to come to terms with marriage, career, family, parenthood and Kevin's horrific rampage in a series of startlingly direct correspondences with her absent husband, Franklyn. Uneasy with the sacrifices and social demotion of motherhood from the start, Eva fears that her alarming dislike for her own son may be responsible for driving him so nihilistically off the rails.

**Should We Stay or Should We Go** Aug 23 2022 When her father dies, Kay Wilkinson can't cry. Over ten years, Alzheimer's had steadily eroded this erudite man into a paranoid lunatic. Surely one's own father passing should never come as such a relief. Both medical professionals, Kay and her husband Cyril have seen too many elderly patients in similar states of decay. Although healthy and vital in their early fifties, the couple fears what may lie ahead. Determined to die with dignity, Cyril makes a modest proposal. To spare themselves and their loved ones such a humiliating and

protracted decline, they should agree to commit suicide together once they've both turned eighty. When their deal is sealed, the spouses are blithely looking forward to another three decades together. But then they turn eighty. By turns hilarious and touching, playful and grave, *Should We Stay or Should We Go* portrays twelve parallel universes, each exploring a possible future for Kay and Cyril. Were they to cut life artificially short, what would they miss out on? Something terrific? Or something terrible? Might they end up in a home? A fabulous luxury retirement village, or a Cuckoo's Nest sort of home? Might being demented end up being rather fun? What future for humanity awaits—the end of civilization, or a Valhalla of peace and prosperity? What if cryogenics were really to work? What if scientists finally cure aging? Both timely and timeless, Lionel Shriver addresses serious themes—the compromises of longevity, the challenge of living a long life and still going out in style—with an uncannily light

touch. Weaving in a host of contemporary issues, from Brexit and mass migration to the coronavirus, Shriver has pulled off a rollicking page-turner in which we never have to mourn perished characters, because they'll be alive and kicking in the very next chapter.

*A Father's Story* Mar 18 2022 Raising a Serial Killer A Father's Search for Answers In July of 1991 the country was shocked by the unfathomable crimes of serial killer Jeffrey Dahmer. But no one was more shocked than his parents. In *A Father's Story*, the reader is witness to the incremental unraveling of a parent's image of their child, and the "thousand different reactions" that follow. In his attempt to understand the nature of his son's psychosis, Lionel Dahmer methodically scrutinizes every possible contributing factor to his son's madness. His desperation is palpable as he searches for clues in the emotional, psychological, and genetic landscape of his son's life. Riveting and soul-wrenching, this

unprecedented memoir is the confession of a father who must "confront the saddest truth a human can know-that his child has somehow crossed the line that separates the human from the monstrous."

*Lunch with the FT* May 28 2020 From the very first mouthful, 'Lunch with the FT' was destined to become a permanent fixture in the Financial Times. One thousand lunches later, the FT's weekly interview has become an institution.

From film stars to politicians, tycoons to writers, dissidents to lifestyle gurus, the list reads like an international Who's Who of our times. Lunch with the FT is a selection of the best: 52 classic interviews conducted in the unforgiving proximity of a restaurant table. From Angela Merkel to Sean 'P. Diddy' Combs, Martin Amis to one of the Arab world's most notorious sons, this book brings you right to the table to decide what you think of or world's most powerful players.

Property: A Collection Jun 21 2022 The first ever story collection from the inimitable Lionel

Shriver 'Genius' Stylist 'Phenomenal' Observer 'Brilliant' The Times

**American Dirt** Jun 28 2020 Lydia Quixano Perez lives in the Mexican city of Acapulco. She runs a bookstore. She has a son, Luca, the love of her life, and a wonderful husband who is a journalist. And while cracks are beginning to show in Acapulco because of the drug cartels, her life is, by and large, reasonably comfortable. Even though she knows they'll never sell, Lydia stocks some of her all-time favorite books in her store. And then one day a man enters the shop to browse and comes up to the register with four books he would like to buy, two of them her favorites. Javier is erudite. He is charming. And, unbeknownst to Lydia, he is the jefe of the newest drug cartel that has gruesomely taken over the city. When Lydia's husband's tell-all profile of Javier is published, none of their lives will ever be the same. Forced to flee, Lydia and eight-year-old Luca soon find themselves miles and worlds away from their comfortable middle-

class existence.

*Game Control* Feb 05 2021 Following the success of 'We Need to Talk About Kevin' and 'The Post-Birthday World', 'Game Control' is coming back into print after being unavailable for years.

David Austin's English Roses Jan 24 2020 - Presents David Austin's best rose varieties - including their latest additions- Provides valuable information on all aspects of rose cultivation- The perfect companion for gardeners and enthusiasts- Written by the proprietor of one of the world's leading rose nurseries"Fully illustrated, the charm of his English Roses comes across on every page, even if the reader has to imagine their scent." - The Irish Garden "Experts will appreciate the notes on each rose's breeding." - Historic Gardens Foundation Informative, accessible and stunningly illustrated, David Austin's English Roses introduces the reader to the world of rose propagation and care. The book focuses on

English Roses, bred by David Austin to combine the sumptuousness of Old Roses with the strength and practical virtues of Modern Roses. It will be greatly prized by rose-growers and rose-lovers everywhere, whether professional or amateur. Contents: Introduction; The English Roses; The Development of the English Roses; The Classification of English Roses; Gallery of 88 Shrubs, Climbing and Rambler Roses; English Roses Cultivation

*Big Brother* Oct 25 2022 'A gutsy, heartfelt novel' Sunday Times '[Shriver's] best novel yet' Independent on Sunday 'A surprising sledgehammer of a novel' The Times 'Shriver is brilliant on the novel shock that is hunger... glorious, fearless, almost fanatically hard-working prose' Guardian

Hidden in Plain Sight Jul 30 2020 Hidden in Plain Sight tells the tragic untold story of children's rights in America. It asks why the United States today, alone among nations, rejects the most universally embraced human-



rights document in history, the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. This book is a call to arms for America to again be a leader in human rights, and to join the rest of the civilized world in recognizing that the thirst for justice is not for adults alone. Barbara Bennett Woodhouse explores the meaning of children's rights throughout American history, interweaving the childhood stories of iconic figures such as Benjamin Franklin with those of children less known but no less courageous, like the heroic youngsters who marched for civil rights. How did America become a place where twelve-year-old Lionel Tate could be sentenced to life in prison without parole for the 1999 death of a young playmate? In answering questions like this, Woodhouse challenges those who misguidedly believe that America's children already have more rights than they need, or that children's rights pose a threat to parental autonomy or family values. She reveals why fundamental human rights and principles of

dignity, equality, privacy, protection, and voice are essential to a child's journey into adulthood, and why understanding rights for children leads to a better understanding of human rights for all. Compassionate, wise, and deeply moving, *Hidden in Plain Sight* will force an examination of our national resistance--and moral responsibility--to recognize children's rights. Some images inside the book are unavailable due to digital copyright restrictions.

*Game Control* Dec 15 2021 Set against the vivid backdrop of modern-day Africa—a continent now primarily populated with wildlife of the two-legged sort—Lionel Shriver's *Game Control* is a wry, grimly comic tale of bad ideas and good intentions. Eleanor Merritt, a do-gooding American family-planning worker, was drawn to Kenya to improve the lot of the poor.

Unnervingly, she finds herself falling in love with the beguiling Calvin Piper despite, or perhaps because of, his misanthropic theories about population control and the future of the human

race. Surely, Calvin whispers seductively in Eleanor's ear, if the poor are a responsibility they are also an imposition. With a deft, droll touch, Shriver highlights the hypocrisy of lofty intellectuals who would "save" humanity but who don't like people.

**Little Fires Everywhere** Jan 04 2021 NOW A MAJOR TV SERIES ON AMAZON PRIME 'Just read it . . . Outstanding' Matt Haig 'To say I love this book is an understatement . . . It moved me to tears' Reese Witherspoon 'Beautifully written, completely charming, and extremely wise on the subject of adolescence and influence' Nick Hornby Everyone in Shaker Heights was talking about it that summer: how Isabelle, the last of the Richardson children, had finally gone around the bend and burned the house down. In Shaker Heights, a placid, progressive suburb of Cleveland, everything is meticulously planned - from the layout of the winding roads, to the colours of the houses, to the successful lives its residents will go on to lead. And no one

embodies this spirit more than Elena Richardson, whose guiding principle is playing by the rules. Enter Mia Warren - an enigmatic artist and single mother- who arrives in this idyllic bubble with her teenage daughter Pearl, and rents a house from the Richardsons. Soon Mia and Pearl become more than just tenants: all four Richardson children are drawn to the mother-daughter pair. But Mia carries with her a mysterious past, and a disregard for the rules that threatens to upend this carefully ordered community. When old family friends attempt to adopt a Chinese-American baby, a custody battle erupts that dramatically divides the town - and puts Mia and Elena on opposing sides. Suspicious of Mia and her motives, Elena is determined to uncover the secrets in Mia's past. But her obsession will come at an unexpected and devastating cost . . .

**The Motion of the Body Through Space** Jul 22 2022 In Lionel Shriver's entertaining send-up of today's cult of exercise—which not only

encourages better health, but now like all religions also seems to promise meaning, social superiority, and eternal life—an aging husband's sudden obsession with extreme sport makes him unbearable. After an ignominious early retirement, Remington announces to his wife Serenata that he's decided to run a marathon. This from a sedentary man in his sixties who's never done a lick of exercise in his life. His wife can't help but observe that his ambition is "hopelessly trite." A loner, Serenata disdains mass group activities of any sort. Besides, his timing is cruel. Serenata has long been the couple's exercise freak, but by age sixty, her private fitness regimes have destroyed her knees, and she'll soon face debilitating surgery. Yes, becoming more active would be good for Remington's heart, but then why not just go for a walk? Without several thousand of your closest friends? As Remington joins the cult of fitness that increasingly consumes the Western world, her once-modest husband burgeons into an

unbearable narcissist. Ignoring all his other obligations, he engages a saucy, sexy personal trainer named Bambi, who treats Serenata with contempt. When Remington sets his sights on the legendarily grueling triathlon, MettleMan, Serenata is sure he'll end up injured or dead. And even if he does survive, their marriage may not. *The Motion of the Body Through Space* is vintage Lionel Shriver written with psychological insight, a rich cast of characters, lots of verve and petulance, an astute reading of contemporary culture, and an emotionally resonant ending.

*How Do I Feel?* Nov 21 2019 A dictionary of emotions for children ; with 60 definitions to help children identify and understand their emotions. Includes parent/teacher notes.

*The Standing Chandelier: A Novella* Apr 19 2022 'A brutal treat' Daily Mail Includes an exclusive first look at Lionel Shriver's new novel, *THE MOTION OF THE BODY THROUGH SPACE* From the award-winning novelist and short story

writer, Lionel Shriver, comes a literary gem, a story about love and the power of a gift.

Men of Conviction Dec 03 2020

**We Need to Talk About Kevin** Jan 28 2023

Now a major motion picture starring Tilda Swinton. Published in twenty-eight countries. Over a million copies sold worldwide. Two years ago Eva Khatchadourian's son, Kevin, murdered seven of his fellow high-school students, a cafeteria worker and a popular teacher. Now, in a series of letters to her absent husband, Eva recounts the story of how Kevin came to be Kevin. Fearing that her own shortcomings may have shaped what her son has become, she confesses to a deep, long-standing ambivalence about both motherhood in general and Kevin in particular. How much is her fault? When did it all start to go wrong? Or was it, in fact, ever 'right' at all? Lionel Shriver tells a compelling, absorbing, and resonant story while framing the horrifying tableau of teenage carnage as a metaphor for the larger tragedy—the tragedy of

a country where everything works, nobody starves and anything can be bought but a sense of purpose. 'By far the best novel I've read in years...exquisitely crafted...a breathtaking work of art.' Age 'Brilliant...compulsive.' Guardian 'A great read with horrifying twists and turns.' Marie Claire 'Harrowing, tense and thought-provoking, this is a vocal challenge to every accepted parenting manual you've ever read.' Daily Mail

**A Long Way to Shiloh** Feb 17 2022 Casper Laing, the young, fiery and brilliant Professor of Semitic Languages, is asked to decipher an ancient parchment found in Israel. Piecing together its mysterious fragments, his translation soon reveals directions to a shrouded location. Believed to be the secret hiding place of the True Menorah, an ancient and priceless Jewish candelabrum, the Jordanians and Israelis begin a frantic race to claim the prize. Surrounded by violent and treacherous rivals, Casper is enjoined on a deadly adventure deep

into the burning Negev desert. *A Long Way to Shiloh* (1966), Lionel Davidson's third novel, was a Book Society Choice and won the Crime Writers' Association Gold Dagger Award as well as the Crime Critics' Award for Best Thriller of the Year. Published in the USA as *The Menorah Men*, it was a no. 1 bestseller on both sides of the Atlantic. It further cemented his reputation as one of the pre-eminent genre writers of his generation, and was described by the Guardian as 'first-rate' and by the New York Times as 'a supple delight in which learning, wit and style are beautifully integrated.'

*Good Gone Bad* Nov 02 2020 A modern MC romance retelling of Romeo and Juliet from International Bestseller Giana Darling.

**The Post-Birthday World** Dec 27 2022 The new novel from the Orange Prize winning author of *We Need to Talk About Kevin*

*Checker and the Derailleurs* May 20 2022 From the Orange Prize winning author of *We Need to Talk About Kevin* this is a novel about what it

takes to make it in music. How charisma is worth its weight in gold. And how jealously can grow until it has eaten away at a musician's heart.

**Making Our Fun in the Good Old Days** Oct 21 2019 Back in the Good Old Days, we were never bored. First, it was not allowed; second, we chose not to be. If we said that we were bored, our Mom gave us work to do.

**The Shadow Lines** Sep 12 2021 Opening in Calcutta in the 1960s, Amitav Ghosh's radiant second novel follows two families -- one English, one Bengali -- as their lives intertwine in tragic and comic ways. The narrator, Indian born and English educated, traces events back and forth in time, from the outbreak of World War II to the late twentieth century, through years of Bengali partition and violence, observing the ways in which political events invade private lives.

*The New Republic* Jan 16 2022 Acclaimed author Lionel Shriver—author of the National Book Award finalist *So Much for That*, *The Post-*

Birthday World, and the vivid psychological novel *We Need to Talk About Kevin*, now a major motion picture—probes the mystery of charisma in a razor-sharp new novel that teases out the intimate relationship between terrorism and cults of personality, explores what makes certain people so magnetic, and reveals the deep frustrations of feeling overshadowed by a life-of-the-party who may not even be present. “Shriver is a master of the misanthrope. . . . [A] viciously smart writer.” —Time

**The Bleeding Heart** Mar 26 2020 FICTION-GENERAL

*Mathematics for Machine Learning* Oct 13 2021  
Distills key concepts from linear algebra, geometry, matrices, calculus, optimization, probability and statistics that are used in machine learning.

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