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The Wind on the Moon Feb 17 2022 'I have often wondered what I would be when I grow up, but never, never, never did I expect to be a Kangaroo!' When the wind on the moon blew straight into Dinah and Dorinda's hearts it meant that they couldn't help but behave badly for a whole year. Transformed into kangaroos, they terrorise the sleepy town of Midmeddlecum with glee. But what they didn't count on was being locked in a zoo. Things get even stickier for the mischievous sisters when they learn their father has been imprisoned in a dungeon by Count Hulagu Bloot, the tyrant of Bombardy. Their poor father! Can they rescue him in time? Includes exclusive material: In the Backstory you can find out what life was like when this book was written and meet some more naughty children! Vintage Children's Classics is a twenty-first century classics list aimed at 8-12 year olds and the adults in their lives. Discover timeless favourites from The Jungle Book and Alice's Adventures in Wonderland to modern classics such as The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas and The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time.

White Horses Jan 16 2022 A story about the fairy-tale fantasies of girlhood and the realities of growing up by "one of our quirkiest and most interesting novelists" (Jane Smiley, USA Today). When Teresa sleeps—sometimes for days at a time, the scent of roses surrounding her—she dreams of the Arias, outlaw riders on white steeds, who roam the desert at night. She was told about the dark-eyed horsemen by her mother, Dina, who left her own bedroom window open at night in the hopes that one would take her away from her parents' house in Santa Fe. Teresa, who cannot find a cure for her mysterious sleeping sickness, has one true ally: her brother, Silver. Wild and handsome, Silver exerts an irresistible force over everyone he meets—women especially. He pursues a life of crime and danger, and the older he grows, the more reckless he becomes. Teresa wants to break free but is drawn back to her brother again and again, pulled by the belief that he is the night rider of her dreams. Only when she realizes that she has the strength to save herself will she finally be able to open her eyes and walk away. A lyrical blend of the mythical and the real, White Horses has been hailed by the San Francisco Chronicle as a book that "will reverberate in readers' imaginations for a long time."

Louder Than Words Jan 04 2021 "Twelve-year-old Dina, her mother, and two sisters must contend with the invasion of the Nazis of their small Ukrainian town during World War II. With the help of a new housekeeper, Nina, they struggle to stay safe from imminent danger to the Jewish community. Based on a true story."--

Belonging Mar 06 2021 * Winner of the National Book Critics Circle Award * Silver Medal Society of Illustrators * * Named a Best Book of the Year by The New York Times, The Boston Globe, San Francisco Chronicle, NPR, Comics Beat, The Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel, Kirkus Reviews, and Library Journal This "ingenious reckoning with the past" (The New York Times), by award-winning artist Nora Krug investigates the hidden truths of her family's wartime history in Nazi Germany. Nora Krug was born decades after the fall of the Nazi regime, but the Second World War cast a long shadow over her childhood and youth in the city of Karlsruhe, Germany. Yet she knew little about her own family's involvement; though all four grandparents lived through the war, they never spoke of it. After twelve years in the US, Krug realizes that living abroad has only intensified her need to ask the questions she didn't dare to as a child. Returning to Germany, she visits archives, conducts research, and interviews family members, uncovering in the process the stories of her maternal grandfather, a driving teacher in Karlsruhe during the war, and her father's brother Franz-Karl, who died as a teenage SS soldier. In this extraordinary quest, "Krug erases the boundaries between comics, scrapbooking, and collage as she endeavors to make sense of 20th-century history, the Holocaust, her German heritage, and her family's place in it all" (The Boston Globe). A highly inventive, "thoughtful, engrossing" (Minneapolis Star-Tribune) graphic memoir, Belonging "packs the power of Alison Bechdel's Fun Home and David Small's Stitches" (NPR.org).

One Fell Sweep Aug 11 2021 From the New York Times #1 bestselling author, Ilona Andrews, comes a new tale from the Innkeeper Chronicles "Ilona Andrews's books are guaranteed good reads."—Patricia Briggs, #1 New York Times bestselling author of Fire Touched Dina Demille may run the nicest Bed and Breakfast in Red Deer, Texas, but she caters to a very particular kind of guest... the kind that no one on Earth is supposed to know about. Guests like a former intergalactic tyrant with an impressive bounty on her head, the Lord Marshal of a powerful vampire clan, and a displaced-and-superhot werewolf; so don't stand too close, or you may be collateral damage. But what passes for Dina's normal life is about to be thrown into chaos. First, she must rescue her long-distant older sister, Maud, who's been exiled with her family to a planet that functions as the most lawless penal colony since Botany Bay. Then she agrees to help a guest whose last chance at saving his civilization could bring death and disaster to all Dina holds dear. Now Gertrude Hunt is under siege by a clan of assassins. To keep her guests safe and to find her missing parents, Dina will risk everything, even if she has to pay the ultimate price. Though Sean may have something to say about that!

Stolen Legacy Feb 05 2021 A riveting story of a Jewish family's legal battle to reclaim a building stolen from them by the Nazis in the 1930s. Written by the daughter of one of the original owners of the building, it details the history of its confiscation by the Nazis, and the family's legal fight to reclaim ownership.

Breaking Vases May 28 2020 Breaking Vases powerfully and vividly captures the rich heritage of one woman's Middle East, along with its brutal realities, which followed Dima Ghawi from her native Jordan to her adopted country, the United States. Brought up in a small, conservative Christian community in Amman, Dima learned to be quiet and subservient to her elders and to men. When she was just five, Dima's beloved grandmother warned that a woman's greatest responsibility was to preserve her image—one as fragile as a glass vase—and the honor of her family's reputation. Anything less was shameful. Yet her grandmother also planted a seed: the simple hope that Dima could graduate from college and become the first formally educated woman in her family. At nineteen, hoping to free herself from cultural constraints and her father's turbulent temper, she accepted a traditional marriage proposal from an older, affluent, and seemingly Western-minded jeweler. Newly married and in a state of naive love, she happily uprooted her life in Amman and moved with him to California. But San Diego's "Little Middle East" was not her American dream. She soon realized that her husband was more traditional and controlling than she had imagined. Changing her circumstances would be dangerous and require courage Dima had never known before. Nevertheless, she was determined to transform her destiny, even if it meant standing alone and facing life-threatening consequences. Her memoir captures the terrors and joys of escaping confinements, crossing continents, and daring to discover and create a bold identity and life purpose.

The Unimaginable Mar 01 2023 From the bestselling author of One Pink Line comes a story about letting go of the past and finding bravery in the depths of fear. Set on the sun-soaked beaches of Thailand and the rough waters of the Indian Ocean, The Unimaginable paints a vivid portrait of a young woman on a journey to find herself—and her harrowing fight for survival. After twenty-eight years of playing by the rules, Jessica

Gregory moves from her small Indiana town to Phuket, Thailand. But her newfound routine is upended with the arrival of Grant Flynn, a captivating, elusive man who is sailing around the world while trying to move on from a past tragedy. Jessica volunteers to help crew Grant's boat, *Imagine*, on a passage across the Indian Ocean and finds herself falling in love with him as the voyage gets underway. But when disaster strikes, Jessica must summon her courage as the crew is confronted by unspeakable terrors--and, aboard a boat named for such promise, comes the unimaginable.

The Shamer's Daughter Oct 01 2020 The first step into the thrilling middlegrade fantasy world of *The Shamer Chronicles* Dina has unwillingly inherited her mother's gift: the ability to elicit shamed confessions simply by looking into someone's eyes. To Dina, however, these powers are not a gift but a curse. Surrounded by fear and hostility, she longs for simple friendship. But when her mother is called to Dunark Castle to uncover the truth about a bloody triple murder, Dina must come to terms with her power - or let her mother fall prey to the vicious and revolting dragons of Dunark.

The Trans-Neptunian Solar System Aug 23 2022 The Trans-Neptunian Solar System is a timely reference highlighting the state-of-the-art in current knowledge on the outer solar system. It not only explores the individual objects being discovered there, but also their relationships with other Solar System objects and their roles in the formation and evolution of the Solar System and other planets. Integrating important findings from recent missions, such as *New Horizons* and *Rosetta*, the book covers the physical properties of the bodies in the Trans-Neptunian Region, including Pluto and other large members of the Kuiper Belt, as well as dynamical indicators for Planet 9 and related objects and future prospects. Offering a complete look at exploration and findings in the Kuiper Belt and the rest of the outer solar system beyond Neptune, this book is an important resource to bring planetary scientists, space scientists and astrophysicists up-to-date on the latest research and current understandings. Provides the most up-to-date information on the exploration of the Trans-Neptunian Solar System and what it means for the future of outer solar system research Contains clear sections that provide comprehensive coverage on the most important facets of the outer Solar System Includes four-color images and data from important missions, including *New Horizons* and *Rosetta* Concludes with suggestions and insights on the future of research on Trans-Neptunian objects

The Witching Flour Apr 19 2022 Welcome to Spellford Cove, where the baking is sweet and the witches are wild. Robin Carter's life is less than stellar. All she has going for her are a minimum-wage job she hates, an uncanny ability to attract the biggest losers on her dating app, and a raccoon sitting in her kitchen sink eating her chips. So, when she finds out she's inherited a bakery in a small Washington town, Robin thinks this might just be the fresh start she desperately needs. Upon her arrival, however, Robin finds out she's inherited more than just a small business: she's also got her mother's magical powers. However, things start going south for Robin when a man dies at the local diner just after her arrival in town and she's fingered as the prime suspect. With half the town thinking she's a killer, Robin decides to take matters into her own hands. But between a ghost who desperately needs therapy, a snarky familiar who loves to quote literature, and a grandmother who walks to the beat of her own drum, Robin really has her hands full. Will she be able to navigate this new reality and find the killer, or will she crumble like an overcooked brownie? This is the first book in the Spellford Cove paranormal cozy mystery series.

The Magnificent Esme Wells Nov 02 2020 From the nationally bestselling author of *The True Memoirs of Little K*, a deeply felt and historically detailed novel of family, loss, and love, told by an irrepressible young girl—the daughter of a two-bit gangster and a movie showgirl—growing up in golden-age Hollywood and Las Vegas in its early days. Esme Silver has always taken care of her charming ne'er-do-well father, Ike Silver, a small-time crook with dreams of making it big with Bugsy Siegel. Devoted to her daddy, Esme is often his "date" at the racetrack, where she amiably fetches the hot dogs while keeping an eye to the ground for any cast-off tickets that may be winners. In awe of her mother, Dina Wells, Esme is more than happy to be the foil who gets the beautiful Dina into meetings and screen tests with some of Hollywood's greats. When Ike gets an opportunity to move to Vegas—and, in what could at last be his big break, to help the man she knows as "Benny" open the Flamingo Hotel—life takes an unexpected turn for Esme. A stunner like her mother, the young girl catches the attention of Nate Stein, one of the Strip's most powerful men. Narrated by the twenty-year-old Esme, *The Magnificent Esme Wells* moves between pre-WWII Hollywood and postwar Las Vegas—a golden age when Jewish gangsters and movie moguls were often indistinguishable in looks and behavior. Esme's voice—sharp, observant, and with a quiet, mordant wit—chronicles the rise and fall and further fall of her complicated parents, as well as her own painful reckoning with love and life. A coming-of-age story with a tinge of noir, and a tale that illuminates the promise and perils of the American dream and its dreamers, *The Magnificent Esme Wells* is immersive, moving, and compelling.

The Nationalities Factor In Soviet Politics And Society Dec 03 2020 This book explores the question why, despite the leadership's desire to the contrary, issues of nationality continually impinged upon issues of reform, eventually coming to dominate the political agenda and accelerating processes of political transformation.

Smoke Gets in Your Eyes Aug 31 2020 THE NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER 'Unforgettable . . . a hilarious, poignant and impassioned plea to revolutionise our attitudes to death' Gavin Francis, *Guardian* From her first day at Westwind Cremation & Burial, twenty-three-year-old Caitlin Doughty threw herself into her curious new profession. Coming face-to-face with the very thing we go to great lengths to avoid thinking about she started to wonder about the lives of those she cremated and the mourning families they left behind, and found herself confounded by people's erratic reactions to death. Exploring our death rituals - and those of other cultures - she pleads the case for healthier attitudes around death and dying. Full of bizarre encounters, gallows humour and vivid characters (both living and very dead), this illuminating account makes this otherwise terrifying subject inviting and fascinating.

The One & Only Jun 09 2021 The Number One New York Times bestseller. Ask yourself: what would you do if the one for you was the only person you couldn't have? Shea Rigsby is content enough with her life in the small town of Walker, Texas. She has her dream fangirl job working for Walker's football team, a mostly satisfactory relationship with her boyfriend, and even if she's got the sneaking feeling life is passing her by, she doesn't quite have the confidence to do anything about it. But everything changes when the mother of Lucy, Shea's best friend, dies suddenly. Lucy's father, now a widower, is the town's charismatic football coach, and Shea's hero since she was a young girl. Coach Carr is now alone as he and Shea grow closer than ever, Shea realises she can't help how she feels . . . for the father of her best friend, who's grieving for his wife. THE ONE & ONLY is a thoughtful, luminous and brilliantly observed novel about believing in something amazing for yourself.

A Marriage of Many Interests Jul 22 2022 When young and beautiful Mara is offered to marry a high-ranking officer of the Empire, it is considered an excellent match for her wealthy family. However, she does not yet know that General Xander Valentine is a ruthless warrior, famous for having destroyed entire planets. Reluctantly, she puts her own dreams to the side to take her place in society. But Mara's marriage does not turn out to be anything like what she had been led to believe. Valentine is cold, distant, and with time she realizes that he is hiding a secret large enough to rip their lives apart, a secret even more dangerous than the countless war crimes he perpetrated during his career. And it has something to do with the presence of Sir Edan Brenlin, which she is expected to accept without question. Who is that mysterious brooding knight, really? This complicated love story between a closeted man and his innocent wife, set a long time ago in a galaxy far, far away, is followed by a free 'what if' short story. Dark Erotic Romance, bittersweet HEA. *Many thanks to anyone who sent in a review!* WOW!!! Don't know where to even begin... Definitely a whole new level of awesome! Totally unexpected... [...] this [story] was off the chart! ***** This series was fantastic, i loved how nuanced and conflicted you wrote [him] ***** Wow. I didn't think I would like this as much as I did. It's dark, twisted and so, so hot. I love how you went into both of their heads, their twisted ways of thinking, especially [his] ***** A great read! I'm a few chapters in, and it is so beautifully well-written, the way the thoughts of the main character are brought towards the reader is marvelous. It got me hooked by the first page! This book is also steaming hot, full of erotica, so better prepare to change your underwear often while reading this!

The Waiting Room Dec 23 2019 *The Waiting Room* captures the sights, sounds, accents and animosities of a country overflowing with stories. Dina is a family doctor living in the melting-pot city of Haifa, Israel. Born in Australia in a Jewish enclave of Melbourne to Holocaust survivors, Dina left behind a childhood marred by misery and the tragedies of the past to build a new life for herself in the Promised Land. After starting a

family of her own, she finds her life falling apart beneath the demands of her eccentric patients, a marriage starting to fray, the ever-present threat of terrorist attack and the ghost of her mother, haunting her with memories that Dina would prefer to leave on the other side of the world. Leah Kaminsky plumbs the depths of her characters' memories, both the sweet and the heart-wrenching, reaching back in a single climactic day through six decades and across three continents to uncover a truth that could save Dina's sanity - and her life.

Kat Fight Dec 27 2022 After her apathetic boyfriend Marc sends her call to voicemail one too many times, Kat Porter finally gathers up the courage required to confront him.

A Dangerous Daughter Sep 24 2022 Australia, 1950s. Ivy, a teenager from an immigrant family, is on the cusp of adulthood, struggling to survive undiagnosed anorexia nervosa. She endures primitive electro-convulsive therapy and exile from her family, to no avail. It is only through psycho-analysis that hope is possible. Will Ivy conquer The Voice which tries to kill her? *A Dangerous Daughter* is a work of literary fiction, which draws on true events from the author's life. It will resonate with people of all ages and cultures who have endured the shame and blame of this misunderstood disorder.

The Lamplighters Jan 24 2020 "Transported me effortlessly...Haunting, harrowing and heartbreaking, this is a novel that will stay with you." --Ashley Audrain, New York Times bestselling author of *The Push* "A ghost story and fantastically gripping psychological investigation rolled into one. It is also a pitch-perfect piece of writing. . . . As with Shirley Jackson's work or Sarah Waters's masterpiece *Affinity*, in Stonex's hands the unspoken, unexamined, unseen world we can call the supernatural, a world fed by repression and lies, becomes terrifyingly tangible." --The Guardian (London) Inspired by a haunting true story, a gorgeous and atmospheric novel about the mysterious disappearance of three lighthouse keepers from a remote tower miles from the Cornish coast--and about the wives who were left behind. What strange fate befell these doomed men? The heavy sea whispers their names. Black rocks roll beneath the surface, drowning ghosts. And out of the swell like a finger of light, the salt-scratched tower stands lonely and magnificent. It's New Year's Eve, 1972, when a boat pulls up to the Maiden Rock lighthouse with relief for the keepers. But no one greets them. When the entrance door, locked from the inside, is battered down, rescuers find an empty tower. A table is laid for a meal not eaten. The Principal Keeper's weather log describes a storm raging round the tower, but the skies have been clear. And the clocks have all stopped at 8:45. Two decades later, the keepers' wives are visited by a writer determined to find the truth about the men's disappearance. Moving between the women's stories and the men's last weeks together in the lighthouse, long-held secrets surface and truths twist into lies as we piece together what happened, why, and who to believe. In her riveting and suspenseful novel, Emma Stonex writes a story of isolation and obsession, of reality and illusion, and of what it takes to keep the light burning when all else is swallowed by dark.

The Name of This Book is Secret Jun 21 2022 WARNING: DO NOT READ THIS BOOK! ...For amongst its contents you will find: two extraordinary adventurers... a missing magician's diary... a symphony of spells... and a deadly secret. But wait, you already know too much! It is too late. I'm afraid nothing will stop you now. Open the book if you must. But, please, tell no one.

Dump Truck Disco Sep 12 2021

No Time to Blink Jan 28 2023 Catherine Clarke defied her family's expectations when she married Gabriel, a handsome Lebanese businessman. After moving to Gabriel's homeland and welcoming a baby daughter, Catherine knew she had to acclimate herself to the strange new world. Yet both her husband and her surroundings became more volatile and threatening than she could have ever imagined. When Gabriel forbids her to return to the States, Catherine devises a plan to deceive him, but she vastly underestimates how far he will go to punish her. And after her daughter, Ann Marie, is abducted and taken deep into the mountains of Beirut--protected by family, culture, and law--the only thing on Catherine's side is the fierceness of a mother's love. She's prepared to move heaven and earth to find her child. Told from alternating points of view--that of a daughter whose past is a mystery and of a mother with painful secrets to share--this profoundly moving story of impossible risks will resonate with anyone whose love has no boundaries.

A Fine Balance Nov 14 2021 *A Fine Balance*, Rohinton Mistry's stunning internationally acclaimed bestseller, is set in mid-1970s India. It tells the story of four unlikely people whose lives come together during a time of political turmoil soon after the government declares a "State of Internal Emergency." Through days of bleakness and hope, their circumstances - and their fates - become inextricably linked in ways no one could have foreseen. Mistry's prose is alive with enduring images and a cast of unforgettable characters. Written with compassion, humour, and insight, *A Fine Balance* is a vivid, richly textured, and powerful novel written by one of the most gifted writers of our time.

Finding Bliss Jun 28 2020 "Chloe Carlyle has always longed for the perfect family. Growing up with an alcoholic single mother, she has seen her share of heartbreak and disappointment, and is striving to build a new legacy for herself. After graduating from college, she takes a job working as a summer girl for the Reeds -- a wealthy, accomplished family that personifies her American dream. Her summer takes an unexpected turn when the Reeds' eldest son, Tyler, the star quarterback for Notre Dame, shows up and turns her life upside down. An ambitious young woman with a wry sense of humor, Chloe never imagined herself as the type to succumb to the looks and charms of the hometown hero, but she falls hard for Tyler, and is devastated when they part ways at the end of the summer. As she heads off to law school, Chloe tries to convince herself this was just a fling, but she can't quite get over him. It's not until Tyler contacts her out of the blue late one winter night that everything changes. After doing everything in her power to build the perfect life, Chloe soon learns that there are things beyond her control. She must draw on inner reserves of strength as her life takes unpredictable -- and sometimes heartbreaking -- twists and turns, and she finds herself faced with decisions she never thought she'd have to make. Poignant, heartfelt, and emotional, *Finding Bliss* is a reminder that you don't have to live a fairytale life in order to have a happy ending"--

Silver & Salt May 20 2022 'With the tension of a Nicci French thriller, the intellectual fizz of Donna Tartt's *The Secret History* and the very best of Maggie O'Farrell's unnerving readability, Dymott is a classy storyteller' Elle From the author of *Every Contact Leaves a Trace* comes a story of family and the lies we tell in order to survive Following the death of her famous father, Ruthie returns to the family villa in remote, wild Greece. After fifteen years in exile she is welcomed by her older sister, Vinny. They build a fragile happiness in their haven above the sea, protecting one another from the dark secrets of their childhood. But the arrival of an English family at a neighbouring cottage, and one young girl in particular, triggers a chain of events that will plunge both women back into the past, with shocking and fatal consequences. ---- 'I read *Silver and Salt* as if in a trance. Elanor Dymott is a master of delicate psychological suspense' Elena Lappin, author of *What Language Do I Dream in?* 'Beautifully detailed with a profound sense of place and the intricate clues woven through the fabric of the novel build up to a tragic finale' Daily Express 'A beautifully observed and shattering exploration of grief as their family's tragic past is revealed' Woman & Home

Love Bites Jul 30 2020 A wonderful variety of compellingly original vampire stories, many of them wholly unexpected, from award-winning, New York Times bestselling authors. There are typical vampires who would be right at home in a horror story or a gothic romance; historical vampires; contemporary, gritty, urban vampires; fang-in-cheek comedy; boy-meets-girl sweetheart stories (if a little bloodier!); and erotic tales of inhuman passions and midnight pleasures. Look out, too, for stand-alone stories relating to existing series and characters of contributing authors, or stories which develop more fully characters who have only walk-on parts in those authors' longer fiction. Includes writing by big-name authors such as Jennifer Ashley, Kim Harrison writing as Dawn Cook, Caitlin Kittredge, Diane Whiteside and Eileen Wilks.

The Opportunist Oct 13 2021 The Opportunist Olivia Kaspen never imagined she'd get a second chance with her first love, the one she foolishly let slip away. When fate brings them together in a chance encounter, Olivia discovers that not only has Caleb Drake moved on, but he's forgotten her too. Olivia finds herself asking how far she is willing to go to get him back. Standing in her way is his new girlfriend, a red-headed viper named Leah Smith. Olivia must fight for what was once hers, and in the process discover that sometimes love falls short of redemption.

A Kingdom of Dreams Nov 26 2022 Bestselling author Judith McNaught has written a novel sure to continue the success of *Something Wonderful*. *A Kingdom Of Dreams* is the tender, tempestuous story of a feisty Scottish beauty and the fierce English warrior she defies--and desires! Copyright © Libri GmbH. All rights reserved.

One Red Sock Apr 07 2021 A little purple hippo faces a dilemma. While getting dressed one day, she realizes that she is missing a red sock. But as she searches throughout her sock drawer, she cannot find a suitable replacement. From blue to green and gray to white, nothing she finds will match. But does that really matter? This new picture-book offering from Jennifer Sattler (*Bully*) reminds readers of all ages of the enjoyment that may occur when one lets go and embraces imperfection.

Tattered Stars Jul 10 2021 Be brave. Just for sixty seconds. Twenty breaths. It took every ounce of my courage to return to the small town I fled all those years ago. But I should've known he'd hate me. How could he not when my father's blood still runs through my veins? Yet here I am, desperate for a chance to make things right. Even if it means facing the family my father almost destroyed and the boy with the dark eyes—now grown—who still haunts my dreams. I never expected just how explosive things would turn between us. He's the last person I should want. Yet, somehow, I keep drawing closer—so close I know I'll end up burned. But Hayes is a good man, a noble one. Someone who channeled his pain into a career spent protecting those around him. So, when the threats begin, he steps in to keep me safe. And we discover that maybe neither of us knew the other at all. As the sparks between us ignite into something deeper, someone watches. And they'll do anything to tear it all apart...

Silver to the Heart Oct 25 2022 - So begins the apocalypse, with death and a story of love - An old soul (several centuries old), the lover, fighter, and telekinetic Drake receives an order to safeguard Ana, a mortal with Elder Talent. Ana, an artist beset by haunting visions, falls for the perfect stranger while venturing home to mediate emergent family chaos. Past-warlord and present commander Sasuke wields his telepathic might to outwit Council traitors in an effort to save the human realm and its Guardian from a new Dark War. Criminal and light bender Lou, now sought by the Council to answer for his sins, seeks shelter with the Reverend-an Elder fit to bypass rules of magic meant to be unbreakable. As time's last grains of sand deplete, an ancient battle may renew, with pieces of the fractured realm imperiling man's modern world. Though few on Earth are cognizant, dark days now lie ahead. . . One fate, two paths, six singular perspectives, and plethoric danger. Contemporary fantasy at its polychromic finest-pure delight.

What Is the Super Bowl? Mar 18 2022 With over 110 million viewers every year, the Super Bowl is one of the most watched television events in the United States. The final showdown between the two best football teams in the NFL attracts some of the biggest musicians to perform at the half-time show. But the Super Bowl is more than just a spectacle - it's a high-stakes game to win the championship and claim a place in history. Go back in time and relive all the magic from years past - from excruciating fumbles to game winning plays.

Torun Nov 21 2019

Strategic Performance Management May 08 2021 This book is about strategic performance management for the Twenty-First Century organization. In a practical step-by-step approach it navigates readers through the identification, measurement, and management of the strategic value drivers as enablers of superior performance. Using many real life case examples this book outlines how organizations can visualize their value creation, design relevant and meaningful performance indicators to assess performance, and then use them to extract real management insights and improve everyday strategic decision making as well as organizational learning. A key focus of the book is the important issue of creating value from intangible assets. Much has been written about the importance of intangible assets such as knowledge, skills, relationships, culture, practices, routines, and intellectual property as levers for organisational success. However, little has been published that tells managers how to do that. This book moves beyond just raising awareness and provides practical tools and templates, gathered in many extensive case studies with world-leading organizations. The key issues the book addresses are: • How do we identify the strategic value drivers, especially the intangibles, in our organisations? • How do we understand their strategic value using the powerful mapping tools? • How do we then measure the business performance? • How do we use performance indicators to improve decision making and organisational learning? • How do we align performance reviews and risk management with our strategy? Well grounded in theory and packed with case studies from around the world, this book will function as a guide for managers as well as a reference work for students and researchers. The tools described in this book are not only suitable for leading international corporations, but have been designed to be equally appropriate for not-for-profit organizations, central and local government institutions, small and medium sized businesses, and even departments and business units. The ideas, tools, and templates provided allow managers to apply them straight away and transform the way they manage strategic performance at all levels of their organization.

She Came to Stay Mar 26 2020 'Secrets and lies, poverty and elegance, old loyalties and new friendships all combine to make Eleni Kyriacou's debut novel a compelling page-turner' - Fiona Valpy, bestselling author of *The Dressmaker's Gift* One of Woman & Home's Best Historical Fiction Reads of 2020 In a city of strangers, who can you trust? London, 1952. Dina Demetriou has travelled from Cyprus for a better life. She's certain that excitement, adventure and opportunity are out there, waiting - if only she knew where to look. Her passion for clothes and flair for sewing land her a job repairing the glittering costumes at the notorious Pelican Revue. It's here that she befriends the mysterious and beautiful Bebb. With her bleached-blond hair and an appetite for mischief, Bebb is like no Greek Dina has ever met before. She guides Dina around the fashionable shops, bars and clubs of Soho, and Dina finally feels life has begun. But Bebb has a secret. And as thick smog brings the city to a standstill, the truth emerges with devastating results. Dina's new life now hangs by a thread. What will be left when the fog finally clears? And will Dina be willing to risk everything to protect her future? A story of friendship, family, love and loss set against the grimy and glittering streets of fifties Soho. For fans of Kate Furnivall and Rachel Rhys. Further praise for SHE CAME TO STAY: 'An atmospheric page-turner perfectly set in the smoke and glitter of a vanished world . . . gripping' - Erin Kelly, bestselling author of *He Said/She Said* 'Compelling and beautifully observed. Kyriacou brilliantly evokes the violence and the grime beneath the sequins and surface glamour of 1950s Soho' - Rachel Rhys, bestselling author of *Dangerous Crossing* 'I absolutely loved it. A gripping, enthralling story . . . I was completely engrossed' - Laura Marshall, bestselling author of *Friend Request* 'An absorbing story of friendship, betrayal and resilience' - Sarah Maine, bestselling author of *Beyond the Wild River* 'A gripping, evocative story . . . well researched and utterly convincing. A real gem of a book' - Gill Paul, bestselling author of *The Lost Daughter* 'An evocative page-turner full of memorable characters. A wonderful debut' - Jenny Quintana, author of *The Missing Girl* Readers are loving SHE CAME TO STAY, too! 'I can highly recommend this book. You will be hooked from start to finish.' 5 STARS 'A cracking storyline packed with secrets, as well as unexpected twists and turns make this, cliché or no, a proper page-turner.' 5 STARS 'A brilliant read.' 5 STARS 'The plot moves quickly and is gripping. I didn't want to put the book down but then was sorry to leave the characters and their London haunts behind when I got to the end.' 5 STARS 'A really enjoyable read.' 5 STARS

Ruthless Empire Dec 15 2021 She's off limits. He has none. There's a girl. Beautiful. Popular. Fake. And my obsession. My fall. Probably my damnation. Did that stop me? Do I care? No and no. There's a line between right and wrong. Moral and immoral. And then there's her. I cross every limit with blood-coated fingers. She says she hates me. I say I hate her too as I trap her, own her. Make her all mine. *Ruthless Empire* is part of *Royal Elite* Series but could be read on its own. For better understanding of the world, you might want to read the previous books first. This is a mature new adult and contains situations that some readers might find offensive.

Dance of the Dandelion Feb 23 2020 Love's quest leads her the world over. Dandelion Dering was born a peasant in the English village of Arun, but her soul yearned for another life, another world. One filled with color and music, with adventure and passion . . . with more. Haunted by childhood memories, Dandelion determines to find a better existence than the life every peasant in the village contents themselves with. Even if her sweetheart William's predictions prove true, and her journey leads straight to heartache. From her sleepy hamlet to the intrigue of castle life, from the heart of London to the adventurous seas, Dandelion flees from the mistakes of her past, always seeking that something, that someone who will satisfy her longings. Will Dandelion ever find the rhythm to her life's dance . . . or did she leave her chance for true love at home in Arun village?

Groomed Apr 26 2020 Someone in your past sold you a false story about who you are and what you're worth. It has been holding you back for too long. Take control of your future. A staggering one out of three women in America was a victim of sexual abuse at some point in her childhood. No matter how many years it's been, if that's your story, those scars are probably still with you. But even if that's not part of your story, this book

is for you. Women today have been groomed for a lot more than just sex. Using her own story of abuse, family tragedy, and rebellion, Elizabeth Melendez Fisher guides readers toward an understanding that grooming is oftentimes subtle, but it's always life-altering. In *Groomed* Fisher incorporates the language and lessons gained over the past decade working with sex trafficking victims and her work in ministry and counseling before that. She draws out five specific ways that women have been groomed, from physical appearance to spirituality to finances, and shows how those manipulative messages have affected the way we see our worth and how they've oftentimes stifled and limited us. From there Fisher offers readers a way to overcome their past, starting with the all-important but rarely explored idea of a *selah*, or a time of rest and reflection, and exploring active ways to forgive and move forward to a new level of freedom. No one has to be defined by her past. No one has to live for her groomers. It's time to take a look back at where we came from to escape the messages of our past and take control of our future.

[Silver and Salt: A Novel](#) Oct 21 2019 A beautifully crafted novel about the tragic effects of a devastating childhood. "There was a child in our courtyard. I saw a child there, standing by the fountain. She was there, then she was gone." On the death of the celebrated photographer Max Hollingbourne, his daughter, Ruthie, returns to his villa in Greece after fifteen years in exile. The youngest and estranged member of a once close-knit London family, Ruthie is haunted by a dark secret from her childhood, one that fractured her family and drove her mother to madness. Still, following her father's death, she and her older sister, Vinny, manage to build a fragile happiness at the villa where they had spent their summers as girls. But the arrival of an English family at a neighboring cottage, and the presence of one young girl in particular, trigger a chain of events that will plunge both women back into their harrowing pasts with shocking and fatal consequences. Haunting, lyrical, and beautifully crafted, *Silver and Salt* is a profoundly moving novel about the consequences of love and betrayal.