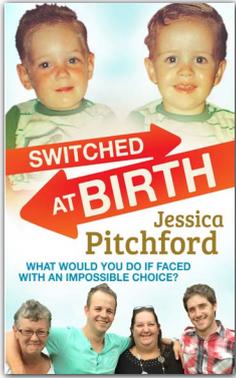


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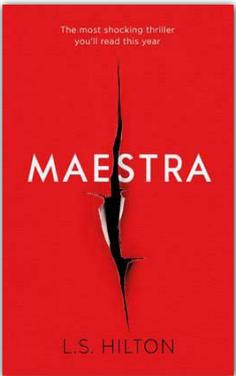


Switched at Birth by Jessica Pitchford

9781868426720 | Jonathan Ball Publishers | TPB | R220

In 1990 two South African mothers were faced with an impossible choice, one that no mother should ever have to make. Should they surrender the child they had lovingly raised in order to get back the baby they had given birth to? Megs Clinton-Parker and Sandy Dawkins chose nurture over nature, simply unable to give up their two-year-old sons who were switched at birth at an East Rand hospital. Instead they decided to try to make their strange relationship work, although they lived in different cities, 500km apart. And they decided to sue the South African state, whose negligence had altered the fates of two families forever. Robin Dawkins and Gavin Clinton-Parker grew up living each other's lives, brothers-but-not-brothers, acutely aware that their mothers' hearts were torn. Unable to escape the consequences of the swap, Robin decided at the age of 15 that it was time to claim what was rightfully his, adding a further twist to this bitter saga.

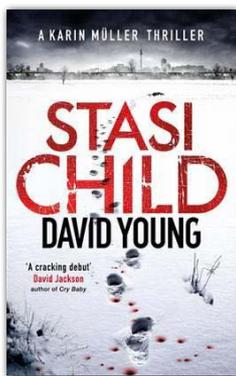
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Maestra by L.S. Hilton

9781785760839 | Bonnier | TPB | R310

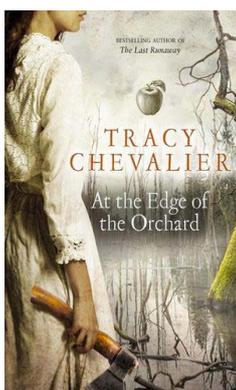
Where do you go when you've gone too far? *The Talented Mr Ripley* meets *Gone Girl* in this darkly decadent and compelling new thriller. By day, Judith Rashleigh is a put-upon assistant at a London auction house. By night she's a hostess in one of the capital's unsavoury bars. Desperate to make something of herself, Judith knows she has to play the game. She's learned to dress, speak and act in the interests of men. She's trying to be a good girl. But after uncovering a dark secret at the heart of the art world, Judith is fired and her dreams of a better life are torn apart. So she turns to a long-neglected friend. A friend that kept her chin up and back straight through every past slight. A friend that a good girl like her shouldn't have: rage.



Stasi Child by David Young

9781785770470 | Bonnier | TPB | R335

East Berlin, 1975. When Oberleutnant Karin Muller is called to investigate a teenage girl's body at the foot of the Wall, she imagines she's seen it all before. But when she arrives she realises this is a death like no other. It seems the girl was trying to escape – but from the West. Muller is a member of the People's Police, but in East Germany her power only stretches so far. The Stasi want her to discover the identity of the girl, but assure her the case is otherwise closed – and strongly discourage her from asking questions. The evidence doesn't add up, and it soon becomes clear the crime scene has been staged.

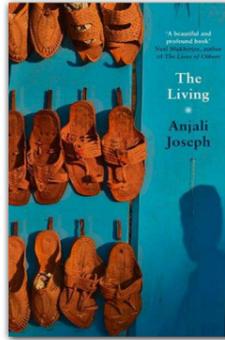


At the Edge of the Orchard by Tracy Chevalier

9780008135294 | HarperCollins | TPB | R330

What happens when you can't run any further from your past? Ohio, 1838. James and Sadie Good-enough have settled in the Black Swamp, planting apple trees to claim the land as their own. Life is harsh in the swamp, and as fever picks off their children, husband and wife take solace in separate comforts. James patiently grows his sweet-tasting 'eaters' while Sadie gets drunk on applejack made fresh from 'spitters'. Their fighting takes its toll on all of the Goodenoughs – a battle that will resonate over the years and across America. In this rich, powerful story, Tracy Chevalier is at her imaginative best, bringing to life the urge to wrestle with our roots, however deep and tangled they may be.

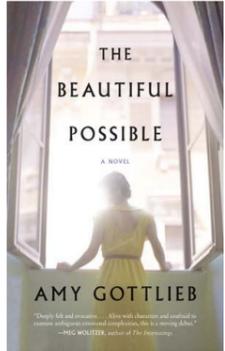




The Living by Anjali Joseph

9780007462834 | HarperCollins | TPB | R330

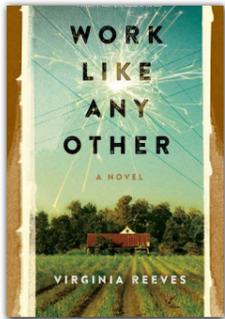
In this tender, lyrical, and often funny novel, Anjali Joseph, author of *Saraswati Park*, shines a light on everyday life, illuminating its humour, beauty, and truth. This is the story of two lives. Claire is a young single mother working in one of England's last remaining shoe factories, her adult life formed by a teenage relationship. Is she ready to move on from memory and the routine of her days? Arun makes hand-sewn chappals at his home in Kolhapur. A recovered alcoholic, now a grandfather, he negotiates the newfound indignities of old age while returning in thought to the extramarital affair he had years earlier. In this tender, lyrical and often funny novel, Anjali Joseph, author of *Saraswati Park*, shines a light on everyday life, illuminating its humour, beauty, and truth.



The Beautiful Possible by Amy Gottlieb

9780062383365 | HarperCollins | TPB | R290

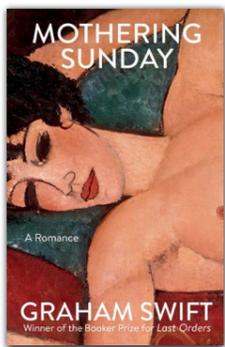
Spanning seventy years and several continents – from a refugee's shattered dreams in 1938 Berlin, to a discontented American couple in the 1950s, to a young woman's life in modern-day Jerusalem – this epic, enthralling novel tells the braided love story of three unforgettable characters. In 1946, Walter Westhaus, a German Jew who spent the war years at Tagore's ashram in India, arrives at the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York City, where he meets Sol Kerem, a promising rabbinical student. A brilliant non-believer, Walter is the perfect foil for Sol's spiritual questions – and their extraordinary connection is too wonderful not to share with Sol's free-spirited fiancée Rosalie.



Work Like Any Other by Virginia Reeves

9781471152221 | Headline | TPB | R330

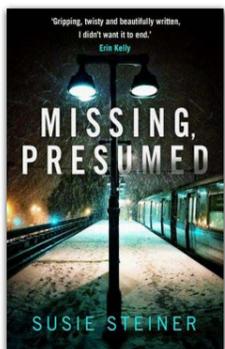
Placing itself perfectly alongside acclaimed work by Philipp Meyer, Jane Smiley and J M Coetzee, this debut novel charts the story of Roscoe T Martin in rural Alabama in the 1920s. Roscoe has set his sights on a new type of power spreading at the start of the 20th century: electricity. It becomes his training, his life's work. But when his wife Marie inherits her father's failing farm, Roscoe has to give it up, with great cost to his pride and sense of self, his marriage and his family. Realising that he might lose them all, he uses his skills as an electrician to siphon energy from the state, ushering in a period of bounty and happiness on a farm recently falling to ruin.



Mothering Sunday by Graham Swift

9781471156656 | Simon & Schuster | HB | R330

It is March 30th 1924. It is Mothering Sunday. How will Jane Fairchild, orphan and housemaid, occupy her time when she has no mother to visit? How, shaped by the events of this never to be forgotten day, will her future unfold? Beginning with an intimate assignation and opening to embrace decades, *Mothering Sunday* has at its heart both the story of a life and the life that stories can magically contain. Constantly surprising, joyously sensual and deeply moving, it is Graham Swift at his thrilling best.



Missing, Presumed by Susie Steiner

9780008123291 | HarperCollins | TPB | R330

Detective Sergeant Manon Bradshaw is trying to sleep – the low murmuring of her police radio on in the background. Over the airwaves come reports of a missing woman – door ajar, keys and phone left behind, a spatter of blood on the kitchen floor. Manon knows the first 72 hours are critical: you find her, or you look for a body. And as soon as she sees a picture of Edith Hind, a Cambridge post-graduate from a well-connected family, she knows this case will be big. Is Edith alive or dead? Was her 'complex love life' at the heart of her disappearance, as a senior officer tells the increasingly hungry press? And when a body is found, is it the end or only the beginning?



The Painted Ocean by Gabriel Packard

9781472151162 | Little, Brown | TPB | R360

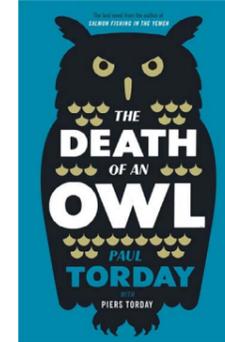
'When I was a little girl, my dad left me and my mum, and he never came back. And you're supposed to be gutted when that happens. But secretly I preferred it without him, cos it meant I had my mum completely to myself, without having to share her with anyone. And I sort of inherited all the affection she used to give to my dad – like he'd left it behind for me as a gift, to say sorry for deserting me'.
So says eleven year old Shruti of her broken home in suburban middle England. But hopes of her mother's affection are in vain: speaking little English, and fluent in only Hindi and Punjabi, Shruti's mother is lost, and soon falls prey to family pressure to remarry. To find another husband means returning to India and leaving Shruti behind.



Beloved Poison by E.S. Thomson

9781472122261 | Little, Brown | TPB | R360

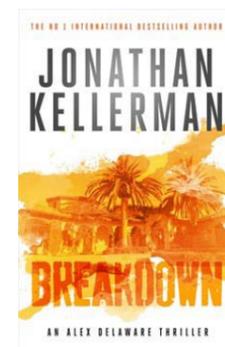
Always an outsider, and with a secret of her own to hide, apothecary Jem Flockhart observes everything, but says nothing. And then six tiny coffins are uncovered, inside each a handful of dried flowers and a bundle of mouldering rags. When Jem comes across these strange relics hidden inside the infirmary's old chapel, her quest to understand their meaning prises open a long-forgotten past – with fatal consequences. In a trail that leads from the bloody world of the operating theatre and the dissecting table to the notorious squalor of Newgate and the gallows, Jem's adversary proves to be both powerful and ruthless. As St Saviour's destruction draws near, the dead are unearthed from their graves whilst the living are forced to make impossible choices. And murder is the price to be paid for the secrets to be kept.



The Death of an Owl by Paul Torday

9780297867517 | Orion | TPB | R360

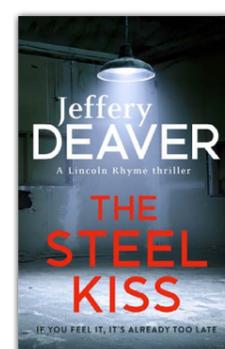
Brought up in Switzerland, the only son of well-to-do parents, Charles Fryerne is somewhat unprepared for the world he meets when he goes up to Oxford University in the early 1980s. There he meets a fascinating social set, including a stellar young playwright, a student dubbed 'the future leader of the Conservative party' and a mercurial figure with ambitions to become the youngest prime minister since Pitt. When they leave university, the characters go their separate ways. But as Charles's career as a journalist takes off, he observes firsthand the price of ambition, and the inner workings of the political machine. And when the country's future leader accidentally hits an owl on a country road, there are difficult choices to be made.



Breakdown by Jonathan Kellerman

9781472206473 | Headline | TPB | R360

Criminal psychologist Dr. Alex Delaware is pushed to his limit like never before in *Breakdown* by *New York Times* No.1 bestseller Jonathan Kellerman. Fans of Michael Connelly and Harlan Coben will love this sabre-sharp storytelling from the master of psychological suspense. Dr. Alex Delaware first meets emotionally fragile actress Zelda Chase when called upon to evaluate her five-year-old son. Years later, Alex is unexpectedly reunited with Zelda when she is involuntarily committed after a bizarre psychotic episode. But tragedy strikes and shortly after her release, Zelda is discovered dead in the grounds of a palatial L.A. estate. Having experienced more than enough of the city's dark side to recognise the scent of evil, Alex turns to his friend, LAPD Lieutenant Milo Sturgis, for help in finding the perpetrator.



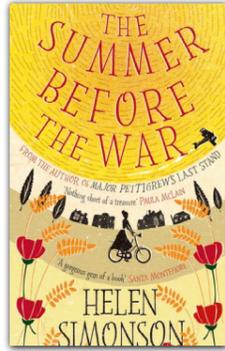
The Steel Kiss by Jeffery Deaver

9781473618480 | Hodder & Stoughton | TPB | R360

Master of suspense Jeffery Deaver returns with the latest gripping thriller featuring paraplegic forensic detective Lincoln Rhyme. Technology is everywhere. It makes our lives easier, our connections faster and journeys quicker. But in the hands of someone smart enough, every piece of technology can be a murder weapon. When an escalator gives way mid-chase, Amelia Sachs is forced to let a killer escape as she helps the man trapped in the depths. Now Sachs and forensic detective Lincoln Rhyme must investigate if the collapse was a freak accident...or whether they are facing a murderer who knows exactly how fatal machines can be. This print edition contains an exclusive leaked document from the Lincoln Rhyme case files.



April Fiction



The Summer Before the War by Helen Simonson

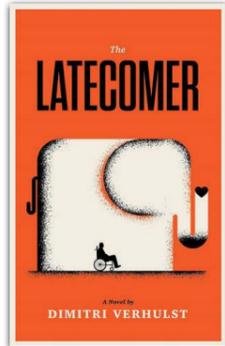
9781408872024 | Bloomsbury | TPB | R350

East Sussex, 1914. Hugh Grange, down from his medical studies, is visiting his Aunt Agatha, who lives with her husband in the small, idyllic coastal town of Rye. Agatha has just risked her carefully built reputation by pushing for the appointment of a woman to replace the Latin master. When Beatrice Nash arrives, it is clear she is significantly more free thinking – and attractive – than anyone believes a Latin teacher should be. For her part, Beatrice simply wants to be left alone to pursue her teaching and writing. But just as Beatrice comes alive to the beauty of the Sussex landscape, the perfect summer is about to end. Soon the limits of progress, and the old ways, will be tested as this small Sussex town and its inhabitants go to war.

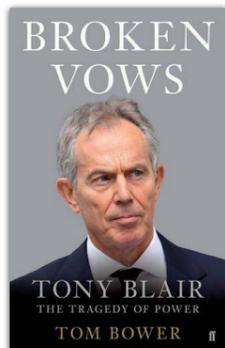
The Latecomer by Dimitri Verhulst

9781846275678 | Granta Books | TPB | R360

Desire Cordier – mild-mannered former librarian, put-upon husband, lover of boules – is losing his mind. Or is he? Happily tucked away in the Winterlight Home for the Elderly, Desire is looking forward to a quiet retirement with the other forgetful residents, safe in the knowledge that no one knows he's faking his memory loss. And as if there weren't reasons enough to opt out of the modern world, it would be worth it just to see Rosa Rozendaal again – the love of Desire's youth, the one who got away. But dementia isn't all fun and games. There's a former war criminal hiding out in the home; once-beautiful Rosa might be too far gone to return Desire's ardour; and our hero soon begins to suspect he might not be the only one in Winterlight who's acting a part.



April Non-Fiction



Broken Vows by Tom Bower

9780571314218 | Faber | TPB | R400

When Tony Blair became prime minister in May 1997, he was, at forty-three, the youngest person to hold that office since 1812. With a landslide majority, his approval rating was 93 per cent and he went on to become Labour's longest-serving premier. On his first election campaign, Blair had promised that 'New Labour' would modernise Britain, freeing it from sleaze, special interests and government secrecy. He vowed to give priority to social justice and equal opportunity for all. So what went wrong? Tom Bower was one of those who in 1997 looked on in excited anticipation as Blair took up residence in Downing Street. Now, with unprecedented access to more than 180 Whitehall officials, military officers and politicians, he has uncovered the full story of Blair's decade in power.

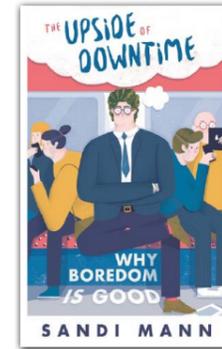
Pretty Happy by Kate Hudson

9780008171995 | HarperCollins | TPB | R470

A smart beautiful book from a smart inspirational actress and fitness icon. Kate Hudson will share her insights into how every woman can live healthy, strong and beautiful – from the inside out. For Kate Hudson the key to living healthfully is simplicity and positivity. The book includes lots of real-world ideas for eating better, making exercise enjoyable and for clearing the mind to leave space for positive thinking. Kate Hudson's subscription-based fitness clothing retailer, Fabletics, has been a massive success. Packed with information and inspiration, Kate Hudson's relatable beauty and dedication to wellness will come through on every page.



April Non-Fiction



The Upside of Downtime by Sandi Mann

9780751563924 | Little, Brown | TPB | R335

The Upside of Downtime explores the causes and consequences of boredom in the fast-paced twenty-first century. Parents are desperate to keep their children entertained during every waking moment, the education system is geared towards interactivity, and attention spans are dropping as we use multiple devices at all times. But the world of work can be increasingly repetitive and routine, and we are losing the ability to tolerate this everyday tedium. Using Sandi Mann's own ground-breaking research into boredom, this book tells the story of how we act, react and cope when we are bored, and argues that there is a positive side to boredom. It can be a catalyst for humour, fun, reflection, creativity and inspiration.

How to Be Here by Rob Bell

9780007591329 | HarperCollins | HB | R320

Rob Bell believes that each of us has a path, a calling – whether it's writing a novel, starting a business, joining a band, or simply becoming a volunteer. But many people are afraid to start on that path. Who are we to do that? Bell counters, Why not you? We need to learn to turn off the internal and external critics and leap. The universe is alive to help us. And we can only discover passion and joy after we take off. Interweaving engaging stories; lessons from Biblical figures; science, art, and business; honest personal experience; and practical advice, he offers insight on how to silence our critics, move from idea to action, take the first step, find joy in the work, persevere through hard times, and surrender the outcome.



Ask Gary Vee by Gary Vaynerchuk

9780062273123 | HarperCollins | HB | R545

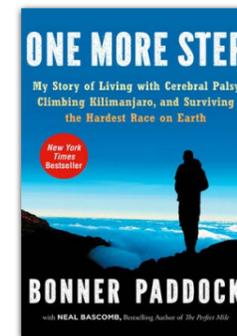
The *New York Times* bestselling author draws from his popular show *#AskGaryVee* to offer surprising, often outrageous, and imminently useful and honest answers to everything you've ever wanted to know – and more – about navigating the new world. Gary Vaynerchuk – the inspiring and unconventional entrepreneur who introduced us to the concept of crush it – knows how to get things done, have fun, and be massively successful. A marketing and business genius, Gary had the foresight to go beyond traditional methods and use social media tools such as Twitter, Facebook, and YouTube to reach an untapped audience that continues to grow. Whether you're planning to start your own company, working in digital media, or have landed your first job in a traditional company, *#AskGaryVee* is your essential guide to making things happen in a big way.



One More Step by Bonner Paddock

9780062295606 | HarperCollins | TPB | R310

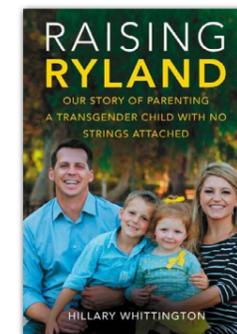
Bonner Paddock summited 19,341 foot-high Mount Kilimanjaro, the world's tallest freestanding mountain. Four years later, he earned the elite triathlete title, Kona Ironman. Thousands have done each individually. Bonner is the first person with cerebral palsy to do both. Diagnosed in his youth, Bonner swore he wouldn't let this neurological disorder limit him, and for twenty-nine years he guarded the truth about his health. But the sudden death of a friend's young son who also suffered from CP forced Bonner to reevaluate his life. Infused with his irresistible charisma, courage, and heart, illustrated with 16 pages of color photos, *One More Step* shows us that we can all conquer our own challenges and embrace every moment life has to offer.



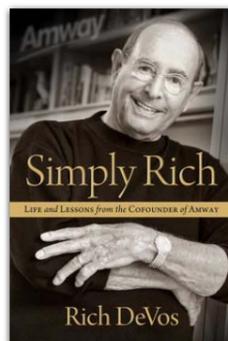
Raising Ryland by Hillary Whittington

9780062388889 | HarperCollins | TPB | R290

This powerful, moving story – which has already touched more than seven million through a viral video created by the Whittington family – is a mother's first-hand account of her emotional choice to embrace her transgender child. When Hillary and Jeff Whittington posted a YouTube video chronicling their five-year-old son Ryland's transition from girl to boy, they didn't expect it to be greeted with such fervor. Beautiful and moving, the video documenting Hillary's and Jeff's love for their child instantly went viral and has been seen by more than seven million viewers since its posting in May 2014. Now for the first time, they tell their story in full, offering an emotional and moving account of their journey alongside their exceptional child.



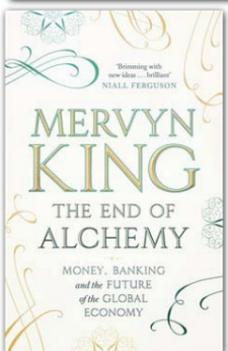
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Simply Rich by Rich DeVos

9781476751795 | Simon & Schuster | TPB | R295

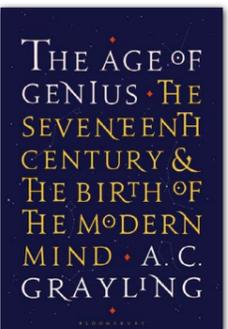
In this candid autobiography, Amway cofounder Rich DeVos reflects on work, faith, family, and the core values he's held on to, from his humble Christian upbringing through his enormous success running one of the world's largest businesses. Inspiring, fascinating, and full of heart, *Simply Rich: Life and Lessons from the Cofounder of Amway* is the astonishing rags-to-riches story that few can tell. Through his amazing accomplishments as both a businessman and generous soul, DeVos reveals the true meaning of success and how his deep faith helped him become a true American icon.



The End of Alchemy by Mervyn King

9781408706114 | Little, Brown | TPB | R385

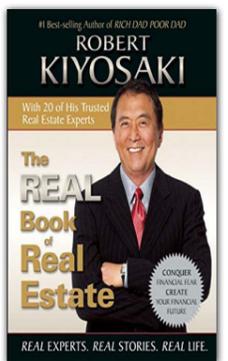
The past twenty years saw unprecedented growth and stability followed by the worst financial crisis the industrialised world has ever witnessed. In the space of little more than a year what had been seen as the age of wisdom was viewed as the age of foolishness. Almost overnight, belief turned into incredulity. Most accounts of the recent crisis focus on the symptoms and not the underlying causes of what went wrong. But those events, vivid though they remain in our memories, comprised only the latest in a long series of financial crises since our present system of commerce became the cornerstone of modern capitalism. Alchemy explains why, ultimately, this was and remains a crisis not of banking – even if we need to reform the banking system – nor of policy-making – even if mistakes were made – but of ideas.



The Age of Genius by A.C. Grayling

9781408870389 | Bloomsbury | HB | R385

A. C. Grayling explains how, fuelled by original and unorthodox thinking, war and technological invention, the seventeenth century became the crucible of modernity. In this turbulent period, science moved from the alchemy and astrology of John Dee to the painstaking observation and astronomy of Galileo, from the classicism of Aristotle, to the evidence-based, collegiate investigation of Francis Bacon. And if the old ways still lingered and affected the new mind set – Descartes's dualism an attempt to square the new philosophy with religious belief; Newton, the man who understood gravity and the laws of motion, still fascinated to the end of his life by alchemy – by the end of that tumultuous century 'the greatest ever change in the mental outlook of humanity' had taken place.

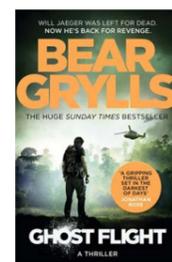


The Real Book of Real Estate by Robert T. Kiyosaki

9781612680798 | Plata Press | TPB | R395

In a world where too many financial advisors do not follow their own advice, here is a book written by experts who practice what they teach and who will teach you to thrive, not merely survive, during turbulent economic times. This is the real deal. *The Real Book of Real Estate*. The only thing better than one real estate expert teaching you how to invest and win is 20 real estate experts with that same mission. For the first time ever, Robert Kiyosaki, best-selling author of *Rich Dad Poor Dad*, has assembled in one book an unrivaled cast of real estate wizards and trusted advisors with one purpose in mind: to share their knowledge and teach you to win in real estate.

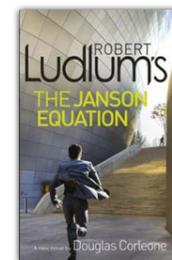
Paperbacks



Ghost Flight by Bear Grylls

9781409156833 | R210

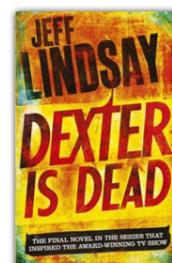
The Bourne Identity meets Indiana Jones – a debut thriller to take your breath away.



Robert Ludlum's The Janson Equation by Robert Ludlum

9781409149415 | R205

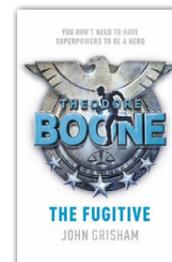
This is international bestselling author Robert Ludlum's latest adventure and is sure to keep you on the edge of your seat.



Dexter Is Dead by Jeff Lindsay

9781409128717 | R235

Dexter Morgan has burned the candle at both ends for many years. Blood spatter analyst ...husband ...father ...serial killer. And now, for the first time, his world has truly collapsed.



Theodore Boone: The Fugitive by John Grisham

9781473626959 | R180

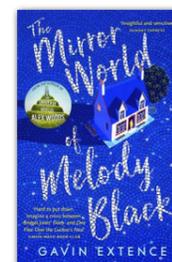
Thirteen-year-old Theodore Boone thought the danger had passed, but he's about to face off against an old adversary: accused murderer and fugitive Pete Duffy.



Finders Keepers by Stephen King

9781473698956 | R210

King writes about how literature shapes a life – for good, for bad, forever.



The Mirror World of Melody Black by Gavin Extence

9781444765939 | R205

The Mirror World of Melody Black is about the fine line that separates normal from not – and how life can spin, very swiftly, out of control.



A Song for Drowned Souls by Bernard Minier

9781444732290 | R235

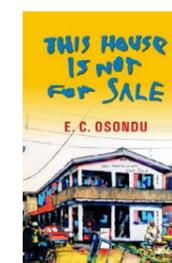
They find the boy by the swimming pool, dolls floating on its surface. Inside the house, his teacher lies dead.



Vanishing Girls by Lauren Oliver

9781444786811 | R260

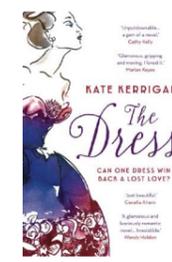
In this edgy and compelling novel, Lauren Oliver creates a world of intrigue, loss, and suspicion as two sisters search to find themselves, and each other.



This House is not for Sale by E.C. Osondu

9781847084835 | R250

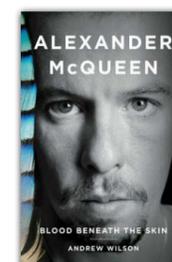
This House is Not for Sale is a brilliantly inventive debut novel which draws on the rich oral traditions of Nigeria and is full of wisdom and dark humour.



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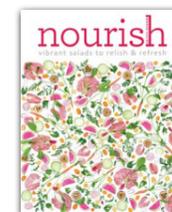
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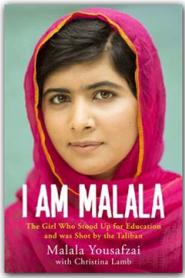


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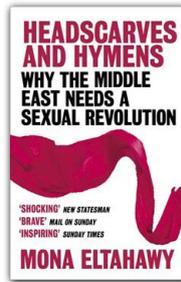
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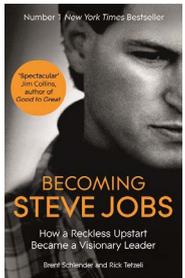
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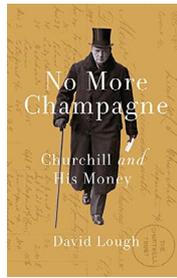
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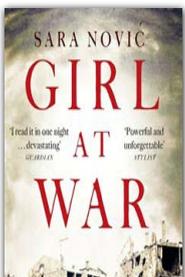
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