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Honeymoon in Paris

PRE-ORDER THE SPELLBINDING STORY OF LOVE, COMMUNITY AND THE POWER OF READING: THE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER & REESE WITHERSPOON BOOK CLUB PICK FROM THE AUTHOR OF ME BEFORE YOU THE GREATEST LOVE STORY IS THE ONE YOU LEAST EXPECT . . . Alice Wright doesn't love her new American husband. Nor her domineering father-in-law or the judgmental townfolk of Baileyville, Kentucky. Stifled and misunderstood, she yearns for escape and finds it in defiant Margery O'Hare and the sisterhood bringing books to the isolated and vulnerable. But when her father-in-law and the town turn against them, Alice fears the freedom, friendship and the new love she's found will be lost . . . 'A beguiling tale of unlikely love. The most appealing thing is Moyes' wonderful way with romance. Delightful' The Times 'Beautiful,

special . . . with characters so real they feel like dear friends. I loved it and didn't want it to end!' Liane Moriarty 'Inspiring and wildly romantic' Daily Mail, Books of the Year 'Her best book yet. It's a romance - but about female friends, the outdoors and the magic of reading' Grazia 'Epic' David Nicholls, bestselling author of One Day

The Giver of Stars

USA Today's top 100 books to read while stuck at home social distancing From the #1 New York Times bestselling author of *The Giver of Stars*, discover the love story that captured over 20 million hearts in *Me Before You*, *After You*, and *Still Me*. They had nothing in common until love gave them everything to lose . . . Louisa Clark is an ordinary girl living an exceedingly ordinary life—steady boyfriend, close family—who has barely been farther afield than their tiny village. She takes a badly needed job working for ex – Master of the Universe Will Traynor, who is wheelchair bound after an accident. Will has always lived a huge life—big deals, extreme sports, worldwide travel—and now he 's pretty sure he cannot live the way he is. Will is acerbic, moody, bossy—but Lou refuses to treat him with kid gloves, and soon his happiness means more to her than she expected. When she learns that Will has shocking plans of his own, she sets out to show him that life is still worth living. A Love Story for this generation and perfect for fans of John Green 's *The Fault in Our Stars*, *Me Before You* brings to life two people who couldn 't have less in common—a heartbreakingly romantic novel that asks, What do you do when making the person you love happy also means breaking your own heart?

The Wife Upstairs

The New York Times and USA Today bestseller! "a hauntingly atmospheric love letter to the first mobile library in Kentucky and the fierce, brave packhorse librarians who wove their way from shack to shack dispensing literacy, hope, and — just as importantly — a compassionate human connection."—Sara Gruen, author of *Water for Elephants* The hardscrabble folks of Troublesome Creek have to scrap for everything—everything except books, that is. Thanks to Roosevelt's Kentucky Pack Horse Library Project, Troublesome's got its very own traveling librarian, Cussy Mary Carter. Cussy's not only a book woman, however, she's also the last of her kind, her skin a shade of blue unlike most anyone else. Not everyone is keen on Cussy's family or the Library Project, and a Blue is often blamed for any whiff of trouble. If Cussy wants to bring the joy of books to the hill folks, she's going to have to confront prejudice as old as the Appalachias and suspicion as deep as the holler. Inspired by the true blue-skinned people of Kentucky and the brave and dedicated Kentucky Pack Horse library service of the 1930s, *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* is a story of raw courage, fierce strength, and one woman's belief that books can carry us anywhere—even back home. Additional Praise for *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek*: "A unique story about Appalachia and the healing power of the written word."—Kirkus "A timeless and significant tale about poverty, intolerance and how books can bring hope and light to even the darkest pocket of history."—Karen Abbott, New York Times bestselling author of *Liar Temptress Soldier Spy* "Emotionally resonant and unforgettable, *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* is a lush love letter to the redemptive power of books."—Joshilyn Jackson, New York Times and USA Today bestselling author of *The Almost Sisters*

Summary - the Giver

It is 1943 and for 10 year old Annemarie life is still fun. But there are worries too - the Nazis have occupied Copenhagen and there are food shortages, curfews and the threat of being stopped by soldiers and Annemarie's best friend is a Jew.

The Giver of Stars

You are a writer. You dream of sharing your words with the world, and you're willing to put in the hard work to achieve success. You may have even considered earning your MFA, but for whatever reason--tuition costs, the time commitment, or other responsibilities--you've never been able to do it. Or maybe you've been looking for a self-guided approach so you don't have to go back to school.

The Chestnut Man

Learn the Invaluable Lessons from The Giver of Stars: A Novel by Jojo Moyes and Apply it into Your Life Without Missing Out! What's it worth to you to have just ONE good idea applied to your life? In many cases, it may mean expanded paychecks, better vitality, and magical relationships. Here's an Introduction of What You're About to Discover in this Premium Summary of The Giver of Stars: A Novel by Jojo Moyes: The Giver of Stars, published in 2019, is one of Jojo Moyes' most recent works. It is a historical novel based on the true story of the Pack Horse Librarians of Kentucky. Set in the small town of Baileyville in the 1930s, it told the story of friendship, female empowerment, and their fight for the right to literacy. A British woman, Alice Wright decided to marry a handsome American by the name of Bennett Van Cleve in the hopes of escaping her suffocating life in England. However, the monotony of quotidian country life and an overbearing father-in-law quickly disillusioned Alice about Baileyville. In search of

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adventure, she took an opportunity to deliver books as part of Eleanor Roosevelt's traveling library. Through this, she met and befriended Margery O' Hare, a smart-talking, self-sufficient woman who had never asked a man's permission in her life. They were joined by three other single women and together, they became known as the Horseback Librarians of Kentucky. Their story was a classic drama of love, justice, loyalty, passion, and humanity. Ultimately, *The Giver of Stars* reminds readers of how past issues are still imbued in our society today. Praised by critics, the novel is a New York Times bestseller, a Reese Witherspoon x Hello Sunshine Book Club Pick and one of USA Today's top 100 books to read at home while social distancing. Plus, - Executive "Snapshot" Summary of *The Giver of Stars: A Novel* - Background Story and History of *The Giver of Stars: A Novel* for a Much Richer Reading Experience - Key Lessons Extracted from *The Giver of Stars: A Novel* and Exercises to Apply it into your Life - Immediately! - About the Hero of the Book: Jojo Moyes - Tantalizing Trivia Questions for Better Retention Scroll Up and Buy Now! 100% Guaranteed You'll Find Thousands of Dollars Worth of Ideas in This Book or Your Money Back Faster You Order - Faster You'll Have it in Your Hands! *Please note: This is a summary and workbook meant to supplement and not replace the original book.

Me Before You

Follows three mothers, each at a crossroads, and their potential involvement in a riot at a school trivia night that leaves one parent dead in what appears to be a tragic accident, but which evidence shows might have been premeditated.

The Giver of Stars

Late in his life, former president Lyndon B. Johnson told a reporter that he didn't believe the Warren Commission's finding that Lee Harvey Oswald acted alone in killing President John F. Kennedy. Johnson thought Cuban president Fidel Castro was behind it. After all, Johnson said, Kennedy was running "a damned Murder, Inc., in the Caribbean," giving Castro reason to retaliate. *Murder, Inc.*, tells the story of the CIA's assassination operations under Kennedy up to his own assassination and beyond. James H. Johnston was a lawyer for the Senate Intelligence Committee in 1975, which investigated and first reported on the Castro assassination plots and their relation to Kennedy's murder. Johnston examines how the CIA steered the Warren Commission and later investigations away from connecting its own assassination operations to Kennedy's murder. He also looks at the effect this strategy had on the Warren Commission's conclusions that assassin Lee Harvey Oswald acted alone and that there was no foreign conspiracy. Sourced from in-depth research into the "secret files" declassified by the JFK Records Act and now stored in the National Archives and Records Administration, *Murder, Inc.* is the first book to narrate in detail the CIA's plots against Castro and to delve into the question of why retaliation by Castro against Kennedy was not investigated.

Olivia Twist

The thrilling and long-awaited conclusion to the Newbery Medal – winning *Giver Quartet* by Lois Lowry. They called her Water Claire. When she washed up on their shore, no one knew that she came from a society where emotions and colors didn't exist. That she had become a Vessel at age thirteen. That she had carried a Product at age fourteen. That it had been stolen from her body. Claire had a son. She was supposed to forget him, but that was impossible. Now Claire will stop at nothing to find her child,

even if it means making an unimaginable sacrifice. In this thrilling series finale, Son thrusts readers once again into the chilling world of the Newbery Medal – winning book, *The Giver*.

Gathering Blue

New York Times Bestseller A luminous companion to the phenomenal bestseller *Astrophysics for People in a Hurry*. Astrophysicist Neil deGrasse Tyson has attracted one of the world's largest online followings with his fascinating, widely accessible insights into science and our universe. Now, Tyson invites us to go behind the scenes of his public fame by revealing his correspondence with people across the globe who have sought him out in search of answers. In this hand-picked collection of 101 letters, Tyson draws upon cosmic perspectives to address a vast array of questions about science, faith, philosophy, life, and of course, Pluto. His succinct, opinionated, passionate, and often funny responses reflect his popularity and standing as a leading educator. Tyson's 2017 bestseller *Astrophysics for People in a Hurry* offered more than one million readers an insightful and accessible understanding of the universe. Tyson's most candid and heartfelt writing yet, *Letters from an Astrophysicist* introduces us to a newly personal dimension of Tyson's quest to explore our place in the cosmos.

Big Little Lies

Hennie Comfort is eighty-six and has lived in the mountains of Middle Swan, Colorado since before it was Colorado. Nit Spindle is just seventeen and newly married. She and her husband have just moved to the high country in search of work. It's 1936 and the depression has ravaged the country and Nit and her husband have suffered greatly. Hennie notices the young woman loitering near the

old sign outside of her house that promises "Prayers For Sale". Hennie doesn't sell prayers, never has, but there's something about the young woman that she's drawn to. The harsh conditions of life that each have endured create an instant bond and an unlikely friendship is formed, one in which the deepest of hardships are shared and the darkest of secrets are confessed. Sandra Dallas has created an unforgettable tale of a friendship between two women, one with surprising twists and turns, and one that is ultimately a revelation of the finest parts of the human spirit.

Prayers for Sale

Emily thinks she 's lost everything...until a mysterious painting leads her to what she wants most in the world. The new novel from the author of international bestsellers *The Sweetness of Forgetting* and *The Life Intended* shows why her books are hailed as "engaging" (People), "absorbing" (Kirkus Reviews) and "enthraling" (Fresh Fiction). Emily Emerson is used to being alone; her dad ran out on the family when she was a just a kid, her mom died when she was seventeen, and her beloved grandmother has just passed away as well. But when she 's laid off from her reporting job, she finds herself completely at sea...until the day she receives a beautiful, haunting painting of a young woman standing at the edge of a sugarcane field under a violet sky. That woman is recognizable as her grandmother—and the painting arrived with no identification other than a handwritten note saying, "He always loved her." Emily is hungry for roots and family, so she begins to dig. And as she does, she uncovers a fascinating era in American history. Her trail leads her to the POW internment camps of Florida, where German prisoners worked for American farmers and sometimes fell in love with American women. But how does this all connect to the painting? The answer to that question will take Emily on a road that leads from the sweltering Everglades to Munich,

Germany and back to the Atlanta art scene before she 's done. Along the way, she finds herself tempted to tear down her carefully tended walls at last; she 's seeing another side of her father, and a new angle on her painful family history. But she still has secrets, ones she 's been keeping locked inside for years. Will this journey bring her the strength to confront them at last?

The Giver (Graphic Novel)

A National Book Award Finalist! Coretta Scott King Author Honor Book An NPR Favorite Book of 2019 A New York Times Best Children 's Book of 2019 A Time Best Children 's Book of 2019 A Today Show Best Kids ' Book of 2019 A Washington Post Best Children 's Book of 2019 A School Library Journal Best Middle Grade Book of 2019 A Publishers Weekly Best Book of 2019 A Kirkus Reviews Best Middle Grade Book of 2019 “ As innovative as it is emotionally arresting. ” —Entertainment Weekly From National Book Award finalist and #1 New York Times bestselling author Jason Reynolds comes a novel told in ten blocks, showing all the different directions kids ' walks home can take. This story was going to begin like all the best stories. With a school bus falling from the sky. But no one saw it happen. They were all too busy— Talking about boogers. Stealing pocket change. Skateboarding. Wiping out. Braving up. Executing complicated handshakes. Planning an escape. Making jokes. Lotioning up. Finding comfort. But mostly, too busy walking home. Jason Reynolds conjures ten tales (one per block) about what happens after the dismissal bell rings, and brilliantly weaves them into one wickedly funny, piercingly poignant look at the detours we face on the walk home, and in life.

The Far Pavilions

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • From the bestselling author of *Before We Were Yours* comes a new historical novel: the dramatic story of three young women searching for family amid the destruction of the post – Civil War South, and of a modern-day teacher who learns of their story and its vital connection to her students’ lives. Bestselling author Lisa Wingate brings to life startling stories from actual “Lost Friends” advertisements that appeared in Southern newspapers after the Civil War, as newly freed slaves desperately searched for loved ones who had been sold away.

Louisiana, 1875: In the tumultuous era of Reconstruction, three young women set off as unwilling companions on a perilous quest: Hannie, a freed slave; Lavinia, the pampered heir to a now destitute plantation; and Juneau Jane, Lavinia’s Creole half sister. Each carries private wounds and powerful secrets as they head for Texas, following roads rife with vigilantes and soldiers still fighting a war lost a decade before. For Lavinia and Juneau Jane, the journey is one of stolen inheritance and financial desperation, but for Hannie, torn from her mother and siblings before slavery’s end, the pilgrimage west reignites an agonizing question: Could her long-lost family still be out there? Beyond the swamps lie the limitless frontiers of Texas and, improbably, hope.

Louisiana, 1987: For first-year teacher Benedetta Silva, a subsidized job at a poor rural school seems like the ticket to canceling her hefty student debt—until she lands in a tiny, out-of-step Mississippi River town. Augustine, Louisiana, is suspicious of new ideas and new people, and Benny can scarcely comprehend the lives of her poverty-stricken students. But amid the gnarled live oaks and run-down plantation homes lie the century-old history of three young women, a long-ago journey, and a hidden book that could change everything.

The Giver of Stars

Set in Depression-era America, a breathtaking story of five

extraordinary women and their unforgettable journey through the mountains of Kentucky and beyond, from the author of *Me Before You* and *The Peacock Emporium* When Alice Wright agrees to marry handsome American Bennett Van Cleve and leave behind her stifling life in England for a new adventure in Kentucky, she's soon disenchanted by her newlywed status and overbearing father-in-law, owner of the local coal mine. So when a call goes out for a team of women to deliver books as part of Eleanor Roosevelt's new traveling library, Alice signs on enthusiastically. The leader, and soon Alice's greatest ally, is Margery, the smart-talking, self-sufficient daughter of a notorious local criminal, a woman who's never asked a man's permission for anything. Alice finds Margery as bracing and courageous as anyone she's ever met--and comes to rely on her, especially as her marriage starts to fail. They will be joined by three diverse women and become known as the Horseback Librarians of Kentucky. What happens to these women--and to the men they love--becomes a classic drama of loyalty, justice, humanity and passion. Though they face all kinds of dangers--from moonshiners to snakes, from mountains to floods--and social disapproval to boot. But they believe deeply in their work bringing books to people who had never had any, expanding horizons and arming them with facts that will change their lives. Based on a true story rooted in America's past, the storytelling itself here is enthralling--the pages fly, and the book is unparalleled in its scope and its epic breadth. Funny, heartbreaking, and rewarding, it is a rich novel of women's friendship, of true love, and of what happens when we reach beyond our grasp for the great beyond.

Son

The cozy comforts of an English village bookstore open up a world of new possibilities for Evie Starling in this charming new romantic comedy from New York Times bestselling author Samantha Young.

At thirty-three-years old Evangeline Starling 's life in Chicago is missing that special something. And when she 's passed over for promotion at work, Evie realizes she needs to make a change. Some time away to regain perspective might be just the thing. In a burst of impulsivity, she plans a holiday in a quaint English village. The holiday package comes with a temporary position at Much Ado About Books, the bookstore located beneath her rental apartment. There 's no better dream vacation for the bookish Evie, a life-long Shakespeare lover. Not only is Evie swept up in running the delightful store as soon as she arrives, she 's drawn into the lives, loves and drama of the friendly villagers. Including Roane Robson, the charismatic and sexy farmer who tempts Evie every day with his friendly flirtations. Evie is determined to keep him at bay because a holiday romance can only end in heartbreak, right? But Evie can 't deny their connection and longs to trust in her handsome farmer that their whirlwind romance could turn in to the forever kind of love.

In the Absence of Miracles

Cornwall, 1972. Three lighthouse keepers vanish from a remote rock, miles from the shore. The entrance door is locked from the inside. The clocks have stopped. The Principal Keeper's weather log describes a mighty storm, but the skies have been clear all week. What happened to those three men, out on the tower? The heavy sea whispers their names. Black rocks roll beneath the swell, drowning ghosts. Can their secrets ever be recovered from the waves? Twenty years later, the women they left behind are still struggling to move on. Helen, Jenny and Michelle should have been united by the tragedy, but instead it drove them apart. Now, they have a chance to tell their side of the story. But only in confronting their darkest fears can the truth begin to surface Inspired by real events, *The Lamplighters* is an intoxicating, suspenseful and deeply

moving mystery, and an unforgettable story of love, grief and obsession.

The Pianist from Syria

It's 1699, and the salons of Paris are bursting with the creative energy of fierce, independent-minded women. But outside those doors, the patriarchal forces of Louis XIV and the Catholic Church are moving to curb their freedoms. In this battle for equality, Baroness Marie Catherine D'Aulnoy invents a powerful weapon: 'fairy tales'. When Marie Catherine's daughter, Angelina, arrives in Paris for the first time, she is swept up in the glamour and sensuality of the city, where a woman may live outside the confines of the church or marriage. But this is a fragile freedom, as she discovers when Marie Catherine's close friend Nicola Tiquet is arrested, accused of conspiring to murder her abusive husband. In the race to rescue Nicola, illusions will be shattered and dark secrets revealed as all three women learn how far they will go to preserve their liberty in a society determined to control them. This keenly-awaited second book from Melissa Ashley, author of *The Birdman's Wife*, restores another remarkable, little-known woman to her rightful place in history, revealing the dissent hidden beneath the whimsical surfaces of Marie Catherine's fairy tales. *The Bee and the Orange Tree* is a beautifully lyrical and deeply absorbing portrait of a time, a place, and the subversive power of the imagination.

The Peacock Emporium

From the New York Times bestselling author of *Me Before You* and *One Plus One*, in an earlier work available in the U.S. for the first time, a post-WWII story of the war brides who crossed the seas by the thousands to face their unknown futures 1946. World War II has ended and all over the world, young women are beginning to

fulfill the promises made to the men they wed in wartime. In Sydney, Australia, four women join 650 other war brides on an extraordinary voyage to England—aboard HMS Victoria, which still carries not just arms and aircraft but a thousand naval officers. Rules are strictly enforced, from the aircraft carrier 's captain down to the lowliest young deckhand. But the men and the brides will find their lives intertwined despite the Navy 's ironclad sanctions. And for Frances Mackenzie, the complicated young woman whose past comes back to haunt her far from home, the journey will change her life in ways she never could have predicted—forever.

The Ship of Brides

A Best Book of the Year: Kirkus, Library Journal, New York Times Book Review A Book of the Month Club selection | An Indie Next Pick FROM THE CREATOR OF THE HIT TELEVISION SHOW THE KILLING, THE MOST ANTICIPATED THRILLER OF THE SEASON—SOON TO BE A NETFLIX ORIGINAL SERIES. IF YOU FIND ONE, HE 'S ALREADY FOUND YOU A psychopath is terrorizing Copenhagen. His calling card is a “ chestnut man ” —a handmade doll made of matchsticks and two chestnuts—which he leaves at each bloody crime scene. Examining the dolls, forensics makes a shocking discovery—a fingerprint belonging to a young girl, a government minister 's daughter who had been kidnapped and murdered a year ago. A tragic coincidence—or something more twisted? To save innocent lives, a pair of detectives must put aside their differences to piece together the Chestnut Man 's gruesome clues. Because it 's clear that the madman is on a mission that is far from over. And no one is safe.

Me Before You & After You

Jen Beagin ' s funny, moving, fearless debut novel introduces an unforgettable character, Mona—almost 24, cleaning houses to get by, emotionally adrift. Handing out clean needles to drug addicts, she falls for a recipient who proceeds to break her heart in unimaginable ways. She decamps to Taos, New Mexico, for a fresh start, where she finds a community of seekers and cast-offs. But they all have one or two things to teach her—the pajama-wearing, blissed-out New Agers, the slightly creepy client with peculiar tastes in controlled substances, the psychic who might really be psychic. Always just under the surface are her memories of growing up in a chaotic, destructive family from which she ' s trying to disentangle herself. The story of her journey toward a comfortable place in the world and a measure of self-acceptance is psychologically acute, often surprising, and entirely human.

DIY MFA

An early work from the #1 New York Times bestselling author of *The Giver of Stars*, Jojo Moyes, the story of a young woman who opens an eclectic shop and comes to terms with the secrets of her past. In the sixties, Athene Forster was the most glamorous girl of her generation. Nicknamed the Last Deb, she was also beautiful, spoiled, and out of control. When she agreed to marry the gorgeous young heir Douglas Fairley-Hulme, her parents breathed a sigh of relief. But within two years, rumors had begun to circulate about Athene's affair with a young salesman. Thirty-five years later, Suzanna Peacock is struggling with her notorious mother's legacy. The only place Suzanna finds comfort is in *The Peacock Emporium*, the beautiful coffee bar and shop she opens that soon enchants her little town. There she makes perhaps the first real friends of her life, including Alejandro, a male midwife, escaping his own ghosts in Argentina. The specter of her mother still haunts Suzanna. But only by confronting both her family and her

innermost self will she finally reckon with the past--and discover that the key to her history, and her happiness, may have been in front of her all along.

Life and Other Inconveniences

An astonishing but true account of a pianist ' s escape from war-torn Syria to Germany offers a deeply personal perspective on the most devastating refugee crisis of this century. Aeham Ahmad was born a second-generation refugee—the son of a blind violinist and carpenter who recognized Aeham's talent and taught him how to play piano and love music from an early age. When his grandparents and father were forced to flee Israel and seek refuge from the Israeli – Palestinian conflict ravaging their home, Aeham ' s family built a life in Yarmouk, an unofficial camp to more than 160,000 Palestinian refugees in Damascus. They raised a new generation in Syria while waiting for the conflict to be resolved so they could return to their homeland. Instead, another fight overtook their asylum. Their only haven was in music and in each other. Forced to leave his family behind, Aeham sought out a safe place for them to call home and build a better life, taking solace in the indestructible bond between fathers and sons to keep moving forward. Heart-wrenching yet ultimately full of hope, and told in a raw and poignant voice, *The Pianist from Syria* is a gripping portrait of one man ' s search for a peaceful life for his family and of a country being torn apart as the world watches in horror.

Look Both Ways

The Giver is a modern classic and one of the most influential books of our time. Now in graphic novel format, Lois Lowry ' s Newbery Medal – winning classic story of a young boy discovering the dark secrets behind his seemingly ideal world is accompanied by

renowned artist P. Craig Russell 's beautifully haunting illustrations. Placed on countless reading lists, translated into more than forty languages, and made into a feature film, *The Giver* is the first book in *The Giver Quartet* that also includes *Gathering Blue*, *Messenger*, and *Son*. In this new graphic novel edition, readers experience the haunting story of twelve-year-old Jonas and his seemingly ideal, if colorless, world of conformity and contentment, through the brilliant art of P. Craig Russell that truly brings *The Giver* to life. Witness Jonas's assignment as the Receiver of Memory, watch as he begins to understand the dark secrets behind his fragile community, and follow the explosion of color into his world like never before.

The Bee and the Orange Tree

A hilarious and heartwarming novel about the complicated, messy, delightful struggles of modern life, for all fans of Marian Keyes, Holly Wainwright and Zoe Foster Blake. Going from one child to two is never all that easy for a family, but when Emma's husband simultaneously fathers a third child three doors up the street, things get very tricky, very fast. No longer is it enough for Emma to be the best wife and mother - now she's trying to be the best ex-wife, and the best part-time parent to her ex's love child, and that's before she even thinks about adding a new bloke to the mix. Set in an upwardly mobile, ultra-competitive suburb, this is a funny, biting, heartwarming modern comedy that looks at the roles we play, how we compete, and what happens when we dare to strive for second-best. 'Hilarious, heartwarming [and] all too relatable Ultimate summer read' *Herald Sun* 'Sharp and crisp and funny. I was dazzled.' Mia Freedman 'A refreshing and honest depiction of the delirium of modern family life while it is undeniably laugh-out-loud funny, it is also incredibly heartwarming and real' *Better Reading* 'Heartwarming yet biting' *Sunday Telegraph* 'Full of funny

moments, this debut takes a wry look at parenthood, divorce and the messy reality of blended families. ****' Who Weekly 'Jessica Dettmann is a fine comic writer. She has an eye for the small details, irritations and inspirations of life which coupled with a truly original turn of phrase and great way with a gag makes for sparkling and heartwarming reading.' Ben Elton

Where the Crawdads Sing

This sweeping epic set in 19th-century India begins in the foothills of the towering Himalayas and follows a young Indian-born orphan as he's raised in England and later returns to India where he falls in love with an Indian princess and struggles with cultural divides. The Far Pavilions is itself a Himalayan achievement, a book we hate to see come to an end. It is a passionate, triumphant story that excites us, fills us with joy, move us to tears, satisfies us deeply, and helps us remember just what it is we want most from a novel. M.M. Kaye's masterwork is a vast, rich and vibrant tapestry of love and war that ranks with the greatest panoramic sagas of modern fiction, moving the famed literary critic Edmond Fuller to write: "Were Miss Kaye to produce no other book, The Far Pavilions might stand as a lasting accomplishment in a single work comparable to Margaret Mitchell's achievement in *Gone With the Wind*."

The Giver of Stars

#1 New York Times Bestseller A Reese Witherspoon x Hello Sunshine Book Club Pick "I can't even express how much I love this book! I didn't want this story to end!"--Reese Witherspoon "Painfully beautiful."--The New York Times Book Review "Perfect for fans of Barbara Kingsolver."--Bustle For years, rumors of the "Marsh Girl" have haunted Barkley Cove, a quiet town on the North Carolina coast. So in late 1969, when handsome Chase

Andrews is found dead, the locals immediately suspect Kya Clark, the so-called Marsh Girl. But Kya is not what they say. Sensitive and intelligent, she has survived for years alone in the marsh that she calls home, finding friends in the gulls and lessons in the sand. Then the time comes when she yearns to be touched and loved. When two young men from town become intrigued by her wild beauty, Kya opens herself to a new life--until the unthinkable happens. Perfect for fans of Barbara Kingsolver and Karen Russell, *Where the Crawdads Sing* is at once an exquisite ode to the natural world, a heartbreaking coming-of-age story, and a surprising tale of possible murder. Owens reminds us that we are forever shaped by the children we once were, and that we are all subject to the beautiful and violent secrets that nature keeps.

Murder, Inc.

A young man discovers a family secret that turns his world upside down in this dark, emotive, shocking psychological thriller by number-one bestselling author Michael J. Malone. 'A tense, immersive thriller that kept me guessing' Ian Rankin 'Malone is the master of twists, turns and the unexpected, with the skill to keep things grounded. So much so, that the reader can picture themselves in the very circumstances described. Superb storytelling from a master of his craft' Herald Scotland 'Beautiful, lyrical prose takes the reader through a perfectly constructed, often harrowing tale' Denzil Meyrick _____ John Docherty's mother has just been taken into a nursing home following a massive stroke and she's unlikely to be able to live independently again. With no other option than to sell the family home, John sets about packing up everything in the house. In sifting through the detritus of his family's past he's forced to revisit, and revise his childhood. For in a box, in the attic, he finds undeniable truth that he had a brother who disappeared when he himself was only a toddler. A brother no

one ever mentioned. A brother he knew absolutely nothing about. A discovery that sets John on a journey from which he may never recover. For sometimes in that space where memory should reside there is nothing but silence, smoke and ash. And in the absence of truth, in the absence of a miracle, we turn to prayer. And to violence. Shocking, chilling and heartbreakingly emotive, In the Absence of Miracles is domestic noir at its most powerful, and a sensitively wrought portrait of a family whose shameful lies hide the very darkest of secrets. _____ ' With each turn of the page, a more shocking detail is revealed and some of the people John thought might help him are not who they seem ... The domestic noir tale is one that many families will be able to relate to ... There is barely enough time to catch your' Scotsman

' Challenging and emotional, In the Absence of Miracles enthrals as it corkscrews to a shocking, yet ultimately rewarding end'

LoveReading ' Malone's latest is an unsettling, multi-layered and expertly paced domestic noir drama that delves into one family's dark secrets, shame and lies'

CultureFly ' Malone is a poet, there are wonderful lyrical passages here and very skilful storytelling. Some issues are not spoken about enough, Malone raises a couple of those issues and sensitively but realistically addresses them...' New Books Magazine

' Engrossing, hard-hitting – even shocking – with a light poetic frosting. Another superb read!' Douglas Skelton

' A chilling tale of secrets, lies and the ultimate betrayal'

Theresa Talbot ' Emotional. Brave. Dark. Raw. Utterly beautiful'

Louise Beech 'A breathtakingly good book; powerful yet tender and an emotional master class in how to write about harrowing and difficult issues. An absolute must-read'

Hair Past a Freckle ' A very emotional and devastating read ... I felt richer for having read it'

Jen Med's Book Reviews

How to Be Second Best

Read Book Online The Giver Of Stars A Novel

In Depression-era America, five extraordinary women embark on a remarkable journey through the mountains of Kentucky and beyond. Based on a true story rooted in America's past, *The Giver of Stars* is a richly rewarding novel of women's friendship, of true love, and of what happens when people reach beyond their grasp.

Summary of *The Giver of Stars*

Lois Lowry once again creates a mysterious but plausible future world. It is a society ruled by savagery and deceit that shuns and discards the weak. Left orphaned and physically flawed, young Kira faces a frightening, uncertain future. Blessed with an almost magical talent that keeps her alive, she struggles with ever broadening responsibilities in her quest for truth, discovering things that will change her life forever. As she did in *THE GIVER*, Lowry challenges readers to imagine what our world could become, how people could evolve, and what could be considered valuable. Every reader will be taken by Kira's plight and will long ponder her haunting world and the hope for the future.

The Book *Woman of Troublesome Creek*

Living in a "perfect" world without social ills, a boy approaches the time when he will receive a life assignment from the Elders, but his selection leads him to a mysterious man known as the Giver, who reveals the dark secrets behind the utopian facade.

Pretend I'm Dead

Olivia Twist is an innovative reimagining of Charles Dickens' classic tale *Oliver Twist*, in which Olivia was forced to live as a boy for her own safety until she was rescued from the streets. Now eighteen, Olivia finds herself at a crossroads: revealed secrets threaten to

destroy the "proper" life she has built for herself, while newfound feelings for an arrogant young man she shouldn't like could derail her carefully laid plans for the future. Olivia Brownlow is no damsel in distress. Born in a workhouse and raised as a boy among thieving London street gangs, she is as tough and cunning as they come. When she is taken in by her uncle after a caper gone wrong, her life goes from fighting and stealing on the streets to lavish dinners and soirees as a debutante in high society. But she can't seem to escape her past ... or forget the teeming slums where children just like her still scabble to survive. Jack MacCarron rose from his place in London's East End to become the adopted "nephew" of a society matron. Little does society know that MacCarron is a false name for a boy once known among London gangs as the Artful Dodger, and that he and his "aunt" are robbing them blind every chance they get. When Jack encounters Olivia Brownlow in places he least expects, his curiosity is piqued. Why is a society girl helping a bunch of homeless orphan thieves? Even more intriguing, why does she remind him so much of someone he once knew? Jack finds himself wondering if going legit and risking it all might be worth it for love.

The Giver

Instant New York Times and USA Today Bestseller

“ Compulsively readable a gothic thriller laced with arsenic. ”

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in Thornfield Estates — — a gated community full of McMansions, shiny SUVs, and bored housewives. The kind of place where no one will notice if Jane lifts the discarded tchotchkes and jewelry off the side tables of her well-heeled clients. Where no one will think to ask if Jane is her real name. But her luck changes when she meets Eddie Rochester. Recently widowed, Eddie is Thornfield Estates ' most mysterious resident. His wife, Bea, drowned in a boating accident with her best friend, their bodies lost to the deep. Jane can ' t help but see an opportunity in Eddie — — not only is he rich, brooding, and handsome, he could also offer her the kind of protection she ' s always yearned for. Yet as Jane and Eddie fall for each other, Jane is increasingly haunted by the legend of Bea, an ambitious beauty with a rags-to-riches origin story, who launched a wildly successful southern lifestyle brand. How can she, plain Jane, ever measure up? And can she win Eddie ' s heart before her past — — or his — — catches up to her? With delicious suspense, incisive wit, and a fresh, feminist sensibility, *The Wife Upstairs* flips the script on a timeless tale of forbidden romance, ill-advised attraction, and a wife who just won ' t stay buried. In this vivid reimagining of one of literature ' s most twisted love triangles, which Mrs. Rochester will get her happy ending?

The Lamplighters

From the New York Times bestselling author of *The Giver of Stars*, *Paris for One and Other Stories* is an irresistibly romantic collection filled with humor and heart. “ A vicarious jolt of Parisian romance. . . Delightful. ” — *People Magazine* “An old-fashioned, feel-good love story. . . It ' s as if Moyes has booked a vacation and is taking us along. To Paris. Amour! ” — *USA Today* “ Dreamy escapism, a book you can curl up with and easily finish over a weekend, with or without a glass of wine. ” — *Miami Herald* Nell is twenty-six and has never been to Paris. She's never even been on a romantic

weekend away—to anywhere—before. Traveling abroad isn't really her thing. But when Nell's boyfriend fails to show up for their mini-vacation, she has the opportunity to prove everyone—including herself—wrong. Alone in Paris, Nell finds a version of herself she never knew existed: independent and intrepid. Could this turn out to be the most adventurous weekend of her life? Funny, charming, and irresistible, "Paris for One" is quintessential Jojo Moyes—as are the other stories that round out the collection.

Letters from an Astrophysicist

A Complete Summary of The Giver. The Giver is a novel written by award-winning author Lois Lowry which was published in 1993. Before publishing The Giver, she won a Newbery Medal for her novel Number the Stars. The Giver also earned her a Newbery Medal because of its themes and fame. The Giver is a story of a brilliant boy named Jonas who happens to live in a society that is being controlled by the rules and tradition of The Elders. Through his wisdom and mannerism, Jonas is selected as the Receiver of Memory, a post that distinguishes him from others and gives him authority. He follows the rules and receives wisdom in the form of memories, but soon becomes upset with the rules. He is shocked at the killing of babies and others. Jonas, finally, wants to get rid of this society and saves the baby that is being released or killed by his father. The two go to Elsewhere to in search of freedom, hope, life and colors. You will definitely enjoy this beautifully plotted novel. The depth of characterization will occupy your mind till you finish this artistic narration. Here Is A Preview Of What You Will Get: In The Giver, you will get a summarized version of the book. In The Giver, you will find the book analyzed to further strengthen your knowledge. In The Giver, you will get some fun multiple choice quizzes, along with answers to help you learn about the book. Get a copy, and learn everything about The Giver.

Number the Stars

For fans of Jojo Moyes's New York Times bestseller *Me Before You* and *After You*— an irresistible eBook-only novella and compelling prequel to her new novel, *The Girl You Left Behind* At the heart of Jojo Moyes' heartbreaking new novel, *The Girl You Left Behind*, are two haunting love stories—that of Sophie and Édouard Lefèvre in France during the First World War, and, nearly a century later, Liv Halston and her husband David. Honeymoon in Paris takes place several years before the events to come in *The Girl You Left Behind* when both couples have just married. Sophie is swept up in the glamour of Belle Époque Paris but discovers that loving a celebrated artist like Édouard Lefèvre brings undreamt of complications. Following in Sophie's footsteps a hundred years later, Liv, after a whirlwind romance, finds her Parisian honeymoon is not quite the romantic getaway she had been hoping for. . . . This enchanting self-contained story will have you falling in love with both young brides, and with Paris then and now, and it is the perfect appetizer for the *The Girl You Left Behind*, a spellbinding story of love, devotion, and passion in the hardest of times. Bonus: Includes a sneak peek from *The Girl You Left Behind* and Moyes' s previous novel, *Me Before You*.

When We Meet Again

LOSE YOURSELF IN THE SPELLBINDING STORY OF LOVE, COMMUNITY AND THE POWER OF READING: THE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER & REESE WITHERSPOON BOOK CLUB PICK FROM THE AUTHOR OF *ME BEFORE YOU* THE GREATEST LOVE STORY IS THE ONE YOU LEAST EXPECT . . . Alice Wright doesn't love her new American husband. Nor her domineering father-in-law or the judgmental townsfolk of Baileyville, Kentucky. Stifled and

misunderstood, she yearns for escape and finds it in defiant Margery O'Hare and the sisterhood bringing books to the isolated and vulnerable. But when her father-in-law and the town turn against them, Alice fears the freedom, friendship and the new love she's found will be lost . . . 'A beguiling tale of unlikely love. The most appealing thing is Moyes' wonderful way with romance. Delightful' The Times 'Beautiful, special . . . with characters so real they feel like dear friends. I loved it and didn't want it to end!' Liane Moriarty 'Inspiring and wildly romantic' Daily Mail, Books of the Year 'Her best book yet. It's a romance - but about female friends, the outdoors and the magic of reading' Grazia 'Epic' David Nicholls, bestselling author of One Day

Much Ado About You

THE INTERNATIONAL PHENOMENON, ME BEFORE YOU, WHICH HAS SOLD OVER 8 MILLION COPIES WORLD WIDE AND IS NOW A FILM STARRING EMILIA CLARKE AND SAM CLAFLIN TOGETHER WITH THE NUMBER ONE BESTSELLING SEQUEL AFTER YOU IN ONE EBOOK Me Before You Lou Clark knows lots of things. She knows how many footsteps there are between the bus stop and home. She knows she likes working in The Buttered Bun tea shop and she knows she might not love her boyfriend Patrick. What Lou doesn't know is she's about to lose her job or that knowing what's coming is what keeps her sane. Will Traynor knows his motorcycle accident took away his desire to live. He knows everything feels very small and rather joyless now and he knows exactly how he's going to put a stop to that. What Will doesn't know is that Lou is about to burst into his world in a riot of colour. And neither of them knows they're going to change the other for all time. After You Lou Clark has lots of questions. Like how it is she's ended up working in an airport bar, spending every shift watching other people jet off to

new places. Or why the flat she's owned for a year still doesn't feel like home. Whether her close-knit family can forgive her for what she did eighteen months ago. And will she ever get over the love of her life. What Lou does know for certain is that something has to change. Then, one night, it does. But does the stranger on her doorstep hold the answers Lou is searching for - or just more questions? Close the door and life continues: simple, ordered, safe. Open it and she risks everything. But Lou once made a promise to live. And if she's going to keep it, she has to invite them in . . . *****

'A tender, funny and hopeful look at love, grief and life. Bumper box of tissues required' Stylist 'Poignant . . . heartfelt . . . Me Before You, at its heart, is about two people who properly listen to each other; it is something good' The Independent on Sunday 'Funny, sad and wise, you'll be using a hankie as a bookmark' Mail on Sunday 'With its twisty plot, characters you fall in love with, weepy bits and witty bits, this is pretty much perfect' Glamour

Paris for One and Other Stories

"A heart-wrenching page-turner told with warmth and humor."--People Magazine (Pick of the Week) "A rich testament to the power of second chances."--Women's World A Publishers Weekly and USA Today Bestseller! From the New York Times bestselling author of Good Luck with That comes a new novel about a blue-blood grandmother and her black-sheep granddaughter who discover they are truly two sides of the same coin. Emma London never thought she had anything in common with her grandmother Genevieve London. The regal old woman came from wealthy and bluest-blood New England stock, but that didn't protect her from life's cruelest blows: the disappearance of Genevieve's young son, followed by the premature death of her husband. But Genevieve rose from those ashes of grief and built a fashion empire that was respected the world over, even when it

meant neglecting her other son. When Emma's own mother died, her father abandoned her on his mother's doorstep. Genevieve took Emma in and reluctantly raised her--until Emma got pregnant her senior year of high school. Genevieve kicked her out with nothing but the clothes on her back but Emma took with her the most important London possession: the strength not just to survive but to thrive. And indeed, Emma has built a wonderful life for herself and her teenage daughter, Riley. So what is Emma to do when Genevieve does the one thing Emma never expected of her and, after not speaking to her for nearly two decades, calls and asks for help?

The Book of Lost Friends

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER A REESE WITHERSPOON x HELLO SUNSHINE BOOK CLUB PICK
USA Today's top 100 books to read while stuck at home social distancing “ I ’ ve been a huge Jojo Moyes fan. Her characters are so compelling. . . It ’ s such a great narrative about personal strength and really captures how books bring communities together. ” – Reese Witherspoon From the author of *Me Before You*, set in Depression-era America, a breathtaking story of five extraordinary women and their remarkable journey through the mountains of Kentucky and beyond. Alice Wright marries handsome American Bennett Van Cleve hoping to escape her stifling life in England. But small-town Kentucky quickly proves equally claustrophobic, especially living alongside her overbearing father-in-law. So when a call goes out for a team of women to deliver books as part of Eleanor Roosevelt ’ s new traveling library, Alice signs on enthusiastically. The leader, and soon Alice's greatest ally, is Margery, a smart-talking, self-sufficient woman who's never asked a man's permission for anything. They will be joined by three other singular women who become known as the Packhorse

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Librarians of Kentucky. What happens to them--and to the men they love--becomes an unforgettable drama of loyalty, justice, humanity and passion. These heroic women refuse to be cowed by men or by convention. And though they face all kinds of dangers in a landscape that is at times breathtakingly beautiful, at others brutal, they 're committed to their job: bringing books to people who have never had any, arming them with facts that will change their lives. Based on a true story rooted in America 's past, *The Giver of Stars* is unparalleled in its scope and epic in its storytelling. Funny, heartbreaking, enthralling, it is destined to become a modern classic--a richly rewarding novel of women 's friendship, of true love, and of what happens when we reach beyond our grasp for the great beyond. **SOON TO BE A MAJOR MOTION PICTURE!**

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