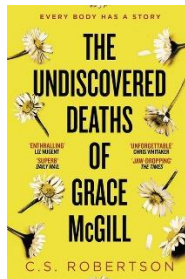


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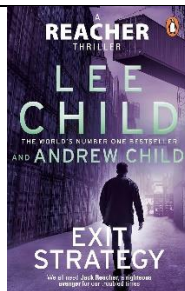
## NEW ARRIVALS



### **The Undiscovered Deaths of Grace McGill**

Death is not the end. For Grace McGill, it's only the beginning. When people die alone and undiscovered, it's her job to clean up what's left behind - whether it's clutter, bodily remains or dark secrets.

When an old man lies undetected in his flat for months, it seems an unremarkable life and an unnoticed death. But Grace knows that everyone has a story and that all deaths mean something more.

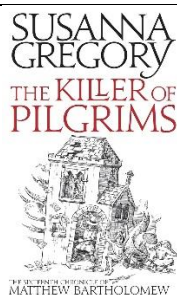


### **Exit Strategy by Lee Child**

First – a Baltimore coffee shop. A seat in the corner, facing the door. Black coffee, two refills, no messing about. A minor interruption from two of the customers, but nothing he can't deal with swiftly. As he leaves, a young guy brushes against him in the doorway. Instinctively Reacher checks the pocket holding his cash and passport. There's no problem. Nothing is missing.

Second – a store to buy a coat. Nothing fancy. Something he can ditch when he heads to warmer climes. Large enough to fit a man the size of a bank vault. As he pulls out his cash, he finds something new in his pocket. A handwritten note. A desperate plea for help.

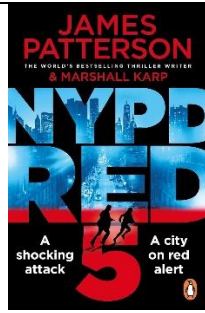
Third – wherever this bend in the road takes him. Impressed by the guy's technique and intrigued by the message, Reacher makes it his mission to find out more.



### **The Killer of Pilgrims by Susanna Gregory**

When a wealthy benefactor is found dead in Michael house, Brother Michael and Matthew Bartholomew must find the culprit before the College is accused of foul play. At the same time, Cambridge is plagued by a mystery thief, who is targeting rich pilgrims. Moreover, pranksters are at large in the University, staging a series of practical jokes that are growing increasingly dangerous, and that are dividing scholars into bitterly opposed factions.

Bartholomew and Michael soon learn that their various mysteries are connected, and it becomes a race against time to catch the killer-thief before the University explodes into a violent conflict that could destroy it forever.

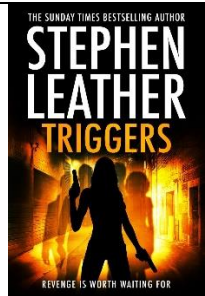


### **NYPD Red 5 by James Patterson**

The one who knows the secrets is the one who holds the power. The richest of New York's rich gather at The Pierre's Cotillion Room to raise money for those less fortunate. Detectives Zach Jordan and Kylie MacDonald of the elite NYPD Red task force are there providing security.

The night is shattered as a fatal blast rocks the room, stirring up horrifying memories of 9/11. Is the explosion an act of terrorism - or a homicide?

A big-name female filmmaker is the next to die, in a desolate corner of New York City. As the attacks keep escalating, Zach and Kylie realise the perpetrators may be among the A-list New Yorkers NYPD Red was formed to protect.

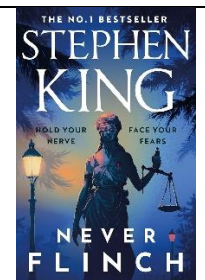


### **Triggers by Stephen Leather**

Marianne is an assassin. One of the best in the business. Except killing isn't her business - it's her way of getting revenge. Revenge that has been a long time coming.

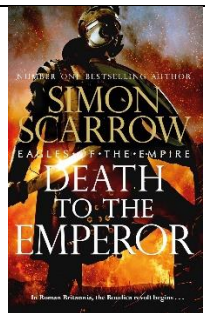
But there are dark forces who want to use Marianne for their own ends. Dark forces who will do whatever is necessary to acquire her skills.

But what they don't know is that Marianne has a secret. A secret that could be the death of them all.



### **Never Flinch by Stephen King**

After the Buckeye City Police Department receives a disturbing letter from a person who is threatening to kill 'thirteen innocents and one guilty' in an act of retribution, Detective Izzy Jaynes turns to her friend Holly Gibney of the Finders Keepers Agency for help. Meanwhile, outspoken activist Kate McKay is embarking on a lecture tour. But someone has started disrupting her events, and Holly is hired to be Kate's bodyguard.



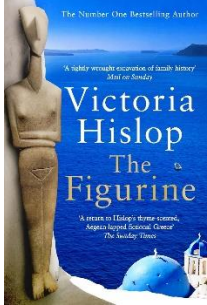
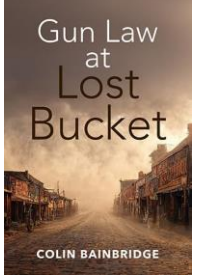
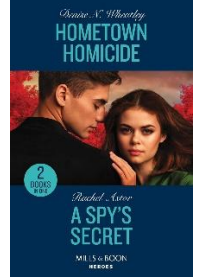
### **Death To The Emperor by Simon Scarrow**

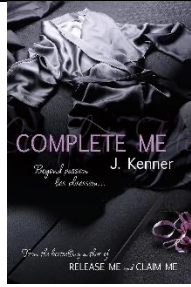
AD 60. Britannia. The Boudica Revolt begins.

Macro and Cato - heroes of the Roman Empire - face a ruthless enemy set on revenge

The Roman Empire's hold on the province of Britannia is fragile. The tribes implacably opposed to Rome have grown cunning in their attacks on the legions. Even amongst those who have sworn loyalty, dissent simmers. In distant Rome, Nero is blind to the danger.

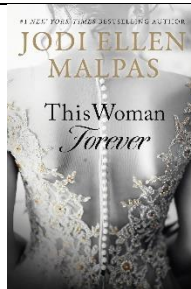
As hostilities create mayhem in the west, Governor Gaius Suetonius Paulinus gathers a vast army, with Prefect Cato in command. A hero of countless battles, Cato wants his loyal comrade Centurion Macro by his side. But the Governor leaves Macro behind, in charge of the veteran reserves in Camulodunum. Suetonius dismisses concerns that the poorly fortified colony will be vulnerable to attack when only a skeleton force remains. With the military distracted, slow-burning anger amongst the tribes people bursts into flames. The king of the Iceni is dead and a proud kingdom is set for plundering and annexation. But the widow is Queen Boudica, a woman with a warrior's heart. If Boudica calls

	<p>for death to the emperor, a bloodbath will follow. Macro and Cato each face deadly battles against enemies who would rather die than succumb to Roman rule. The future of Britannia hangs in the balance.</p>
	<p><b><u>The Figurine by Victoria Hislop</u></b>          Concealed beneath the dust sheets in the Athens apartment she has inherited from her grandparents, Helena McCloud discovers a hidden hoard of rare antiquities, amassed during a dark period in Greek history when the city and its people were gripped by a brutal military dictatorship.          Helena's fascination for archaeology, ignited by a summer spent on a dig on an Aegean island, tells her that she must return these precious artefacts to their rightful place. Only then will she be able to allay the darkness of the past and find the true meaning of home - for cultural treasures and for herself.</p>
	<p><b><u>Gun Law At Lost Bucket by Colin Bainbridge</u></b>          A quiet life is the only thing Dane Cleadon wants, but it seems he can't escape his past reputation as a gun fighter and town tamer. When he is called out by young Tim Ryland, he does his best to avoid trouble but to no avail. Ryland dies accidentally by his own gun and his father, local magnate Cass Ryland, wants revenge. Still hoping to avert bloodshed, Cleadon leaves town accompanied by his friend Cayuse, another old timer. They are pursued by Ryland and his gang into the hills where they stumble upon a ghost town by the name of Lost Bucket. What grisly fate befell the prospectors who built it? And is there a connection to Ryland? In seeking the answers, Cleadon must rely one more time on his guns.</p>
	<p><b><u>Hometown Homicide by Denise N Wheatley</u></b>          Can they stop a ruthless killer?          The hunt for the murderer of two women could be the make-or-break case of Drew Taylor's career. The veteran police officer has no time to babysit a newbie cop with something to prove. Thrilled to be partnered with the man she has long admired, Nia Brooks pursues every lead...until her life is threatened. And Drew must struggle with being both protector and partner to Nia.  <b><u>A Spy's Secret by Rachel Astor</u></b>          Has her past caught up with her?          Bakery owner Ava Katz adores everything about her adopted hometown of Ambrosia Falls – especially her best friend, mystery writer Zach Harrison. But the bucolic setting is hiding something – or someone – more sinister. When Zach's young daughter goes missing, Ava worries her mysterious past has plunged them into danger. Can Zach solve the tangled mystery of just who his best friend really is – and will Ava find his child before it's too late for them all?</p>



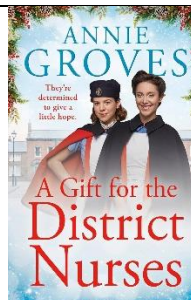
### **Complete Me by J Kenner**

Our desire runs deep. But our secrets cut close. Beautiful, strong, and commanding, Damien Stark fills a void in me that no other man can touch. His fierce cravings push me beyond the brink of bliss - and unleash a wild passion that utterly consumes us both. Yet beneath his need for dominance, he carries the wounds of a painful past. Haunted by a legacy of dark secrets and broken trust, he seeks release in our shared ecstasy, the heat between us burning stronger each day. Our attraction is undeniable, our obsession inevitable. Yet not even Damien can run from his ghosts, or shield us from the dangers yet to come.



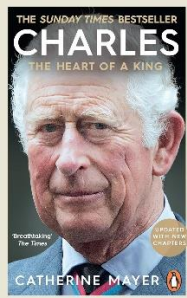
### **This Woman Forever by Jodi Ellen Malpas**

Living a life free of demons and finding forgiveness had always seemed unattainable to Jesse Ward. And yet Ava O'Shea offered him a chance of happiness, the possibility of a happy ever after. Their affair has been an intense whirlwind, full of highs and lows, and now Jesse's finally on the cusp of realizing what he always thought was impossible. Love. Marriage. Acceptance. Redemption. Except for one very important thing. The final part of Jesse's past that he's kept from the woman of his dreams. Because surely Ava will walk away if she knows about the most damaging skeleton in his endless closet. As Jesse navigates his wild, infinitely passionate relationship with Ava, the demons stir, threatening to damage their love and trust. His domination and fierceness inevitably intensifies, ensuring he's constantly straddling the line between bliss and complete irrationality. His past is pursuing him. His forever with Ava is uncertain. And Jesse's faced with the inconceivable reality that by simply bringing Ava into his world, he's ultimately risked her life.



### **A gift For The District Nurses by Annie Groves**

It's 1943 and the district nurses have two new recruits. As the country ramps up for D-Day, the new nurses getting to know their patients on their patch in London's East End. Lily is quite sure of herself and doesn't believe she has anything new to learn. She'll find out the hard way that anyone can be made a fool of when she meets a man who promises her everything. Ruby thinks that nursing might not be for her – is she as hopeless as she thinks, or will tough times bring out the best in her? As the war takes on a new urgency, everything is at stake – can the nurses do what is right for the country and for themselves?



### **Charles The Heart Of A King by Catherine Mayer**

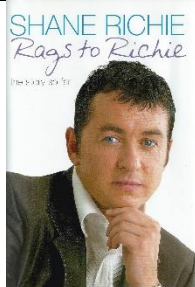
The former Prince of Wales has lived his whole life in the public eye, yet he remains an enigma. He was born to be king, but he aims much higher. A landmark publication, *Charles: The Heart of a King* reveals Charles in all his complexity: the passionate views that mean he will never be as remote and impartial as his mother; the compulsion to make a difference and the many and startling ways in which the Prince and now King of the United Kingdom and fifteen other realms has already made his mark.

The book offers fresh and fascinating insights into the first marriage that did so much to define him and an assessment of his relationship with the woman he calls, with unintended accuracy, his 'dearest wife': Camilla, now Queen Consort. We see Charles as a father and a friend, a serious figure and a joker. Life at court turns out to be full of hidden dangers and unexpected comedy.

Now, updated and revised with a new preface and two new chapters - covering details of Harry and Meghan's exit and its implications, the cash-for-honours scandal, Prince Andrew, and more - this significant study reveals a monarchy threatened and a man in sight of happiness yet still driven by anguish and a remarkable belief system, a charitable entrepreneur, activist, agitator and avatar of the Establishment who just as often tilts against it.

Based on multiple interviews with his friends and courtiers, palace insiders and critics, and rare access to Charles himself, before his kingship, this biography explores his philanthropy and his compulsive interventionism, his faith, his significant impact on politics and the philosophy that means when he seeks harmony he sometimes creates controversy.

Gripping, at times astonishing, often laugh-out-loud, this is a royal biography unlike any other.



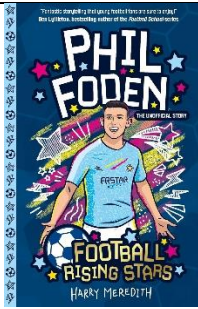
### **Rags To Richie by Shane Richie**

The son of a dustman, Shane Richie has come a long way from the rough streets of London's Harlesden. As *Eastenders'* loveable rogue Alfie Moon he is now the 'darling' of every soap fan in Britain, but it has been an incredible roller-coaster ride as he twice fought his to the top. Shane grabbed the trappings of fame with both hands, sleeping with a string of women and indulging in the champagne lifestyle to excess.

The hugely popular television entertainer started life as a Pontius Bluecoat before making his name as the star of the musical *Grease*. A successful TV career saw him quickly become the face of Saturday night entertainment with shows such as *Lucky Numbers*, *Win, Lose or Draw!*, *Love Me do* and the *Shane Richie Experience*.

He writes frankly about the years of womanising, the agonising break-up of his marriage to singer Coleen Nolan and his days of heavy drinking. He reveals how he coped when his career dramatically nose-dived, his despair over money troubles and how

	<p>he came close to a breakdown when he realised he had lost almost everything important to him.</p> <p>In this fascinating read, Shane lifts the lid on his 25 amazing years in show business, emerging as a gifted actor and a unique star.</p>
 	<p><b><u>A Million Angels by Kate Maryon</u></b></p> <p>We talk about everything, Dad and me.</p> <p>About all the mysteries inside of us. About all our wonderings of the world.</p> <p>But tomorrow my dad goes to war. Then what will I do?"</p> <p>Jemima's dad's in the Army and he's off to Afghanistan again for six whole months.</p> <p>Her mum's about to have another baby and hasn't got the energy to worry about anything else.</p> <p>Gran is staying to help out, but her head is filled with her own wartime memories.</p> <p>So while Mima is sending Dad millions of guardian angels every night to keep him safe, who is looking out for her?</p>
	<p><b><u>Ruby Redfort Pick Your Poison by Lauren Child</u></b></p> <p>Ruby Redfort: undercover agent, code-cracker and thirteen-year-old genius – you can count on her when you're between a rock and a hard place.</p> <p>There's a lot to lose sleep over in Twinford: there's the snakes and the bivalves, but they aren't half as poisonous as the rumours.</p> <p>With so many twists and turns it's hard to know who to trust, particularly when no one trusts you. Will Ruby make it out in one piece? Well, happy endings are for fairy tales, bozo.</p>
	<p><b><u>Foxes by M A Bennett</u></b></p> <p>Greer has just recovered from her terrifying experience during the STAGS play. Was she really put on trial by the sinister Dark Order of the Grand Stag? Or was it purely her overheated imagination? The imprint of an 'M' for murderer that has appeared on her thumb, though, is puzzling but incomplete evidence . . .</p> <p>Meanwhile Ty is staying on at Longcross Manor and Greer, Nel and Shafeen are increasingly worried for her safety. When Ty sends a cryptic message directing them to Cumberland Place, the de Warlencourts' palatial home in London, they decide to risk a visit. There they meet Henry's grieving parents, Rollo and Caro. Rollo is arrogant, entitled and not overly grieving. Caro, however, while superficially charming, is clearly pushed to the brink of madness by Henry's death, insisting that Henry is still alive. Which is clearly impossible but Greer has her own troubling doubts about Henry's death which make it hard to dismiss Caro completely.</p> <p>Can Greer, Shafeen and Nel work out what Rollo de Warlencourt is planning for his deadly Boxing Day Hunt at Longcross in time to save Ty - who has now gone silent? Or will history horribly repeat itself?</p>

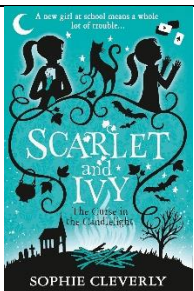


### **Football Rising Stars by Phil Foden**

Phil Foden is a once-in-a-generation talent. He grew up dreaming of wearing the sky blue of his boyhood team Manchester City, and it wasn't long before he was scouted for their academy. With Manchester City legends such as Sergio Agüero and David Silva moving away from the club, a new star has lit up the Etihad Stadium. From Stockport streets to Wembley Arena, witness the rise of a new Premier League hero.

About the Football Rising Stars series:

Football Rising Stars dives into the incredible journeys of ten of the world's best young players. Featuring fresh talents from England, Portugal, Norway, France, Germany and Spain, the series covers their unique rise; from playing football in the park and 5-a-sides to performing in front of capacity crowds on the biggest stage and in the biggest leagues.



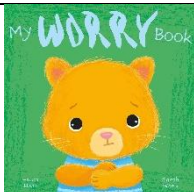
### **Scarlet and Ivy The Curse in the Candlelight by Sophie Cleverly**

There's a new girl at Rookwood School, and a new mystery to solve.

It's the start of term for Scarlet and Ivy, and the girls are intrigued by a fascinating new girl, Ebony. She's as enchanting as she is mysterious, and quickly, most of the younger girls appear to be under her spell.

But rumours swirl like ghosts around Ebony, and not all of them are friendly. And when a prank on All Hallows' Eve goes horribly wrong, it's Ebony who gets the blame.

Scarlet and Ivy aren't so sure. There might be more to Ebony than meets the eye, but surely she's not dangerous? And if Ebony isn't behind the prank, then who – or what – is to blame?



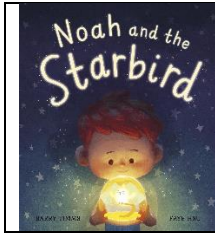
### **My Worry Book by Honor Head and Sarah Ward**

In this heartfelt, full-colour picture book, children can go on a gentle journey with cuddly Kitten as she experiences feelings of worry and learns to navigate these difficult feelings.

Many young children feel nervous or anxious when faced with unusual surroundings or stressful situations. My Worry Book guides children through these difficult feelings, helping them to make sense of and deal with worry. Alongside Kitten, children can learn to recognise their feelings and discover ways to make themselves feel better.

Developed in consultation with a mental health professional Clare Arnold, CAMHS, My Worry Book equips young children with the insight and vocabulary they need to express, anticipate, and navigate their feelings. Perfect for children aged 3+.

ABOUT THE SERIES: The My Feelings Picture Book series invites young readers to identify and manage their emotions through heart-warming animal stories, developed in consultation with mental health professional, Clare Arnold.



**Noah and the Starbird by Barry Timms and Faye Hsu**

Noah has a new friend – a magical Starbird! She helps him feel brave on the darkest nights. If only her magic could make his daddy well again.

A shimmering tale of friendship, kindness and courage.

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