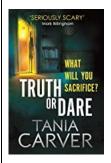




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# NEW ARRIVALS



#### Truth or Dare by Tania Carver

Darren Richards opened his eyes to find himself duct-taped to a chair with a crossbow pointing at him. Behind the crossbow is a hooded figure wearing a black-faced, round-eyed gas mask. The figure tells him what Darren knows: that he stole a car, drove it recklessly while under the influence of drugs and killed a woman and her baby. His solicitor managed to get the case thrown out of court on a technicality so he has not paid for his crime. That, says the figure, cannot be allowed to happen.

Darren turns to his right. Next to him are his girlfriend and their baby daughter. Both similarly taped to a chair, gagged. It's very simple, explains the figure. Either you die or your girlfriend and child die. But someone has to pay. A life for a life. The choice is Darren's.



# The Plea by Steve Cavanagh

Eddie is not someone who is easily coerced, but when the FBI reveal that they have incriminating files on his wife, he knows he has no choice.

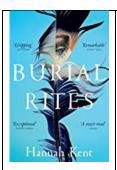
But Eddie is convinced the man is innocent, despite overwhelming evidence to the contrary. With the FBI putting pressure on him to secure the deal, Eddie must find a way to prove his client's innocence.



#### Dead Run by Erica Spindler

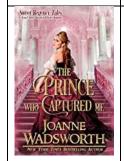
It should have been a simple journey - a drive from Minneapolis to Green Bay, Wisconsin. But a couple of unplanned detours lead Grace MacBride, Annie Belinsky and police Deputy Sharon Mueller deep in the northern woods, far from civilisation and a mobile phone signal. Then the car breaks down.

The nervous search for a landline and a mechanic leads the women to Four Corners, a sleepy crossroads town. And place they soon wish they'd never stumbled on - because something terrible happened in Four Corners.



#### **Burial Rites by Hannah Kent**

Agnes is sent to wait out her final months on the farm of district officer Jón Jónsson, his wife and their two daughters. Horrified to have a convicted murderer in their midst, the family avoid contact with Agnes. Only Tóti, the young assistant priest appointed Agnes's spiritual guardian, is compelled to try to understand her. As the year progresses and the hardships of rural life force the household to work side by side, Agnes's story begins to emerge and with it the family's terrible realisation that all is not as they had assumed. Based on actual events, Burial Rites is an astonishing and moving novel about the truths we claim to know and the ways in which we interpret what we're told. In beautiful, cut-glass prose, Hannah Kent portrays Iceland's formidable landscape, in which every day is a battle for survival, and asks, how can one woman hope to endure when her life depends upon the stories told by others?



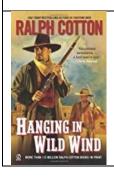
# The Prince Who Captured Me by Joanne Wadsworth My dearest Anteros,

I'll never forget the elaborate masked ball I attended a year and a half ago when I first met you. You arrived attired head to toe in black with no other adornment save for a large diamond which twinkled from your right ear. Your black satin mask concealed your expression, making you ooze mystery with your hair slicked back and your blue eyes shining as deep and as bottomless as rich sapphires. Dark and dangerous you appeared behind your mask, the type of man one didn't trifle with, not unless they enjoyed said danger.

A few short days past, you came to me with a request I couldn't turn down, not when my family owes you a great debt which I wish to repay. I understand your father is demanding you wed, something you've no intention of doing and I've agreed to your ruse, will gladly speak false marriage vows with you so you can be rid of the spy your father has tailing you. Unfortunately, I never expected to be kidnapped by that spy and tossed on a ship bound for the Mediterranean, or to learn from my captor that you're in fact a lost Prince of Naples and Sicily. Why couldn't you have shared the truth with me from the beginning?

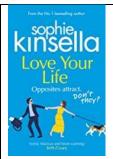
Please, take all care. I know you'll be captaining your ship in hard pursuit. Don't take any unnecessary risks. I have no intention of becoming your downfall.

Your devoted friend, Olivia.



#### Hanging In Wild Wind by Ralph Cotton

Arizona Ranger Sam Barrack tracks Silva The Snake Ceran and his gang to a Badlands outpost called Wild Wind. But one of the outlaws is Kitty Dellaros-a woman who is beautiful, deadly, and even harder to kill than the snake she rides with.



#### **Love Your Life by Sophie Kinsella**

Ava is sick of online dating. She's always trusted her own instincts over an algorithm, anyway, and she wants a break from it all. So when she signs up to a semi-silent, anonymous writing retreat in glorious Italy, love is the last thing on her mind.

Until she meets a handsome stranger. All she knows is that he's funny, he's kind and she soon learns - he's great in bed. He's equally smitten, and after a whirlwind, intoxicating affair, they pledge their love without even knowing each other's real names. But when they return home, reality hits. They're both driven mad by each other's weird quirks and annoying habits, from his eccentric, naked-sauna-loving family to her terribly behaved, shirt-shredding dog. As disaster follows disaster, it seems that while they love each other, they just can't love each other's lives. Can they overcome their differences to find one life, together?



#### The Water Gypsy by Kay Seeley

A story of love and loss, lust and passion, injustice and ultimate redemption.

Struggling to survive on Britain's waterways Tilly Thompson, a girl from the canal, is caught stealing a pie from the terrace of The Imperial Hotel, Athelstone. The intervention of Captain Charles Thackery, saves her from prison. Tilly soon finds out the real reason for the rescue.

With the Captain Tilly sees life away from the poverty and hardships of the Waterways but his favour stirs up jealousy and hatred among the hotel staff, especially Freddie, the stable boy who harbours desires of his own. Freddie's pursuit leads Tilly into far greater danger than she could ever have imagined. Can she escape the prejudice, persecution and hypocrisy of Victorian Society, leave her past behind and find true happiness?



#### Mummy, Please Don't Leave by Casey Watson

The Watsons are no strangers to sibling placements but when Casey takes the call from her supervising social worker one frosty January morning, she can instantly tell from the tone of her colleague's voice that there's a complicated case ahead.

And she's right. A four-day-old baby boy called Tommy – born in prison – plus his four-year-old half-brother, the lively Seth. A month later, the very moment she gets out of prison, the boys' mother – a 19-year-old called Jenna – also follows.

For Casey, it would be a difficult scenario on several levels. Caring for a new born in her fifties with a pre-schooler who has spent most of his young life without boundaries tearing around her ankles, while also looking out for his drug-addicted mum who is ill-equipped to parent.

It's an unusual situation but one that has arisen in a bid to keep the family together. Can Casey find the energy and strength needed to rise to the challenge?



#### **Boris Johnson The Gambler by Tom Bower**

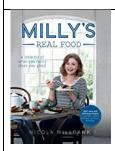
Many of us think we know his story well. His ruthless ambition was evident from his insistence, as a three-year-old, that he would one day be 'world king'. Eton and Oxford prepared him well for a frantic career straddling the dog-eat-dog worlds of journalism and politics. His transformation from bumbling stooge on Have I Got New for You to a triumphant Mayor of London was overshadowed only by his colourful personal life, brimming with affairs, scandals and transgressions. His ascent to Number 10 in the wake of the acrimonious, era-defining Brexit referendum would prove to be only the first act in an epic drama that saw him play both hero and villain - from proroguing parliament to his controversial leadership of the Covid-19 Crisis, all against the backdrop of divorce, marriage, the birth of his sixth child, revolts among Tory MPs and the countdown to Brexit.

Yet despite his celebrity, decades of media scrutiny, the endless vitriol of his critics and the enduring adoration of his supporters, there is so much we've never understood about Boris - until now. Previous biographies have either dismissed him as a lazy, deceitful opportunist or been transfixed by his charm, wit and drive. Both approaches fall short, and so many questions about Boris remain unanswered.

What seismic events of his childhood have evaded scrutiny? How has he so consistently defied the odds, proved his critics wrong, and got away with increasingly reckless gambles? What were his real achievements and failures as Mayor of London, what was really going on during his time as Foreign Secretary, and why did he write two articles for the Telegraph, one in favour of Leave and the other for Remain? How have the women in his life exerted more influence than any of us realise, and why is his story ultimately one overshadowed by family secrets?

Based on a wealth of new interviews and research, this is the

deepest, most rounded and most comprehensive portrait to date of the man, the mind, the politics, the affairs, and the family - of a loner, a lover, a leader.

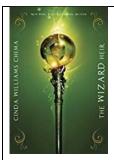


#### Milly's Real Food by Nicola Millbank

MILLY'S REAL FOOD is all about going back to basics and creating tasty classics from scratch with a modern twist, making food a pleasure; both the ritual of cooking and the joy of eating. Recipes that embrace sustainable and accessible ingredients, easy methods and a refreshingly fad-free approach to home cooking.

With 100 recipes including Saffron and Prosecco baked mussels, Rioja and Jerk Lamb shanks and Death by Chocolate Peanut Butter Cake, Milly is an advocate of using fresh produce, eating a varied diet and having fun with food.

From a rising star on the foodie scene, MILLY'S REAL FOOD is the kind of cookbook that makes you excited to get in the kitchen and has the corner of every page turned down.



#### The Wizard Heir by Cinda Williams Chima

Seph McCauley has spent the past three years getting kicked out of one exclusive private school after another. And it's not his attitude that's the problem: it's the trail of magical accidents - lately, disasters - that follow in his wake. Seph is a wizard, orphaned and untrained, and his powers are escalating out of control.

Worse, as the magical accidents that plague him grow in intensity, Seph makes a discovery: the stories he's been told about his parents' life and death are fabrications. The people he most trusted have been lying to him.

After causing a tragic fire at an after-hours party Seph is sent to the Havens, a secluded boy's school on the coast of Maine. Gregory Leicester, the headmaster, promises to train Seph in magic and initiate him into his mysterious order of wizards. Maybe here he will find a community he can trust? But Seph's enthusiasm dampens when he learns that the training comes at a steep cost. Who can he trust, when everyone around him is keeping secrets? And where can he turn, when he finds himself at the centre of a war he may well not survive?



## The Storm Keepers Battle by Catherine Doyle

The terrifying all-powerful sorceress Morrigan has been raised from the dead and has sealed off the island from all help. Fionn is the only thing that stands between her and a dark future. He's got to find a way to defeat her.

But there are some terrible choices in store for Fionn as the dark sorcerer begins to take his nearest and dearest for her own. With only two candles left to burn, will Fionn master his powers in time to stop her?



<u>Snow Sisters – The Enchanted Waterfall by Astrid Foss</u>
It's the Day of the Midnight Sun and the evil Shadow Witch is

ready to use all her power to steal the magic of the Ever changing Lights and turn the skies dark for ever. The Snow Sisters must be braver and stronger than they ever imagined for their final quest. How will they reach Silfur Falls and return the Ever changing Lights to the sky before the clock strikes midnight?

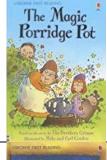


#### **Code Name Bananas by David Walliams**

1940. Britain is at war with Nazi Germany.

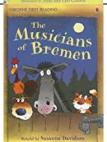
Eleven-year-old Eric spends his days at the place that makes him most happy: London Zoo. And there's one animal in particular he loves: Gertrude the gorilla.

With bombs falling all over London, Eric must rescue Gertrude. Together with his Uncle Sid, a keeper at the zoo, the three go on the run. But while hiding out at the seaside they uncover a top-secret Nazi plot.



#### The Magic Porridge Pot by Mike Gordon

A retelling of the story about a little girl who is given a magic pot that fills up with porridge when she says the right words, but a greedy young boy steals the pot and finds that it works differently for him.



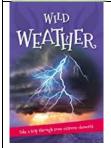
#### The Musicians of Bremen by Susanna Davidson

Life on the farm is getting too dangerous. So a donkey, a dog, a cat and a rooster leave to join a band. The trouble is, the band they meet is a rascally band of robbers.



#### The Mouse's Wedding by Mairi Mackinnon

A delightful Japanese folk take told for beginner readers developing reading stamina through simple, repetitive text. Father Mouse wants his daughter to marry the most powerful husband in the world. Part of the Usborne Reading Programme developed with reading experts at the University of Roehampton.



#### Wild Weather by Kingfisher Books

Wild Weather tells you everything you want to know about the world's weather. Read about twisting tornadoes, ferocious floods and dusty drought. The wildest weather can cause the most extreme places - deserts, rainforests and polar lands. Discover how we use science to measure and predict the weather, and how we cope when natural disasters strike.



#### Gardening is Awesome by Chris Peterson

Kids can jump right in with an introduction to gardening. A complete basics section on vegetables, fruits, flowers, trees, and shrubs kicks things off. You'll also learn how to make super soil and keep plants happy with the right amount of sunlight and water. A complete garden gear guide gets you ready for growing. The rest of the book is all about things to do. With plenty for adults to learn about, too.

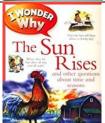


With clearly written steps and helpful photographs, the aim is for kids to lead. STEAM/STEM learning opportunities are part of the fun as well! Fun facts and explorations accompany the projects throughout the book, highlighting everything from composting chemistry to the math behind a square foot garden. Kids are encouraged to develop a "maker" mentality, fostering creative problem-solving and open-ended exploration. Build and explore in the garden!



#### **Zips Have Teeth by Barbara Taylor**

Colourful, surprising and full of information, the I Wonder Why Zips Have Teeth is the perfect introduction to inventions, featuring the first computers, robots on Mars, ebook readers and much more.



#### I Wonder Why - The Sun Rises by Brenda Walpole

Colourful, surprising and full of information, the I Wonder Why books have set thousands of young minds buzzing. I Wonder Why The Sun Rises is the perfect introduction to time and seasons, featuring day long nights, clocks hibernating animals and much more.



#### Charlie's Angels (DVD)

Kristen Stewart, Naomi Scott, and Ella Balinska are working for the mysterious Charles Townsend, whose investigative agency has expanded internationally. The new Angels are among the world's smartest, bravest, and most highly trained women all over the globe. Under the guidance of Bosley (Elizabeth Banks), the Angels have to protect a revolutionary technology from becoming weaponised. They will have to rely on each other as their assignment becomes increasingly treacherous and even those closest to them can no longer be trusted.



#### When Harry Met Sally (DVD)

When Harry met Sally is an explosively funny commentary on friendships, courtships and other hardships of the modern age.



#### The Young Ones (Series One - DVD)

All six episodes from the anarchic 1980s comedy series. In 'Demolition' the council want to knock the boys' house down. 'Oil' sees the foursome move into their new house just as the workers' revolution begins. 'Interesting' finds Rick, Vyv, Neil and Mike playing host to the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse. 'Bomb' has a bomb land on the house just as the TV licence man arrives. 'Flood' sees Rick initiate a desperate game of hide-and-seek, while Mike's room is taken over by lions. Finally, 'Boring' finds the foursome so incredibly bored that Neil digs himself a grave and Vyv chops his finger off.



#### **Snakes on a Plane (DVD)**

Thriller starring Samuel L. Jackson. A young man named Sean Jones witnesses vicious and powerful mobster Eddie Kim brutally murder a prosecutor bent on putting the crime mogul behind bars. Soon Kim's men raid Jones' house and attempt to kill him, but are stopped by Nelville Flynn, an experienced FBI agent who convinces Jones to fly to LA to testify against Kim.



#### Epic (DVD)

A teenager finds herself transported to a deep forest setting where a battle between the forces of good and the forces of evil is taking place. She bands together with a rag-tag group characters in order to save their world and ours. An "epic" adventure with "epic" stars including Beyoncé, Colin Farrell, Amanda Seyfried and Chris O' Dowd.

#### Carnival Day (DVD)

When Thomas discovers balucada music, he's thrilled to be invited to start the carnival and uses the sounds of his noisy trucks to create his own fun beat! Meanwhile, Raul's super competitive nature get him into trouble and Thomas learns not to judge an engine by their colour when Custavo offers advice, Back on Sodor, Percy's panic causes confusion and delay, Diesel uses tricks to try to prove his usefulness, and Emily gets the adventure she has logged for when she and Nia camp out all night with the Sodor Rangers!

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