

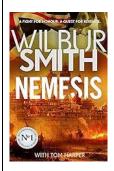




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# NEW ARRIVALS



#### Nemesis by Wilbur Smith

Paris, 1794. Revolutionary fervour has erupted into the Reign of Terror. A young man, Paul Courtney, hides in a crowd watching as the condemned are brought to the guillotine. Among them is Constance Courtney, Paul's mother. As he watches her brutal execution, he knows he must avoid the same fate and fulfil his promise to her - to survive, no matter what. He joins Napoleon's army and is taken to Egypt, but with the world at war and traitors in every corner, just how far will Paul go to ensure his own survival? Cape Town, 1806. Adam Courtney has spent his life in service to the navy and in the shadow of his father, the illustrious Admiral Robert Courtney. But when he returns home to Nativity Bay to find the homestead destroyed and the Courtney family murdered, Adam must accept his destiny and seek vengeance. Robert gives Adam the prized family heirloom, the Neptune sword, and makes his son swear on its blade that he will not rest until he has delivered justice. From Cape Town to Calcutta, on a quest for his family's honour, Adam discovers that the enemy he seeks may be closer to him than he realises.

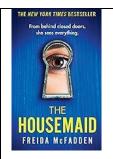


#### The White Knight by Scott Mariani

When a devastating attack on billionaire Auguste Kaprisky leaves the old man clinging to life, a trail of bodies and no clues, his last surviving relative calls the only person she can trust to step up. With precious few leads, ex-SAS soldier Ben Hope must first switch from action hero to detective in order to unravel the mystery. His international quest soon attracts the attention of the faceless plotters, who swiftly make Ben their target.

As Ben moves between Miami and the Bahamas, Rome to Berlin, his investigation seems only to bring him ever closer to death. And as he fights the odds, all questions lead back to one thing: the historic chess set, stolen by Auguste's attackers, which once belonged to Napoleon.

What is the secret this chess set holds, and who are the allpowerful people who will seemingly stop at nothing to silence anyone who threatens to uncover their terrifying plan?





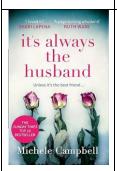
#### The Housemaid by Freida McFadden

Welcome to the family," Nina Winchester says as I shake her elegant, manicured hand. I smile politely, gazing around the marble hallway. Working here is my last chance to start fresh. I can pretend to be whoever I like. But I'll soon learn that the Winchesters' secrets are far more dangerous than my own. Every day I clean the Winchesters' beautiful house top to bottom. I collect their daughter from school. And I cook a delicious meal for the whole family before heading up to eat alone in my tiny room on the top floor.

I try to ignore how Nina makes a mess just to watch me clean it up. How she tells strange lies about her own daughter. And how her husband Andrew seems more broken every day. But as I look into Andrew's handsome brown eyes, so full of pain, it's hard not to imagine what it would be like to live Nina's life. The walk-in closet, the fancy car, the perfect husband.

I only try on one of Nina's pristine white dresses once. Just to see what it's like. But she soon finds out and by the time I realise my attic bedroom door only locks from the outside, it's far too late. But I reassure myself: the Winchesters don't know who I really am. They don't know what I'm capable of.

An unbelievably twisty read that will have you glued to the pages late into the night.



#### It's Always The Husband by Michele Campbell

Kate, Aubrey and Jenny are inseparable at college – friends who promised they'd always be there for each other.

But twenty years later, their friendship is about to take a deadly turn. Kate married the gorgeous party boy, Aubrey married up, and Jenny married the boy next door, but when one of the friends dies in shocking circumstances, will everyone assume that it's always the husband? Or could it be the best friend?

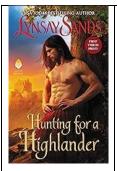
It's Always The Husband is the gripping debut which will keep you guessing until the very last page.



#### **Queen Charlotte by Julia Quinn**

In 1761, on a sunny day in September, a King and Queen meet for the first time. They are married within hours. Charlotte is beautiful, headstrong, and fiercely intelligent - George is instantly captivated. But as Charlotte falls in love, the King starts to push her away. Because George has secrets, secrets with the potential to shake the foundations of the monarchy.

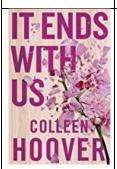
Thrust into her new role, scared and alone, Charlotte must learn to navigate the intricate politics of the court, and to understand that she has been given the power to remake society. She must fight for herself, for her husband, and for all her new subjects. For she will never be just Charlotte again. It's time for her to fulfil her destiny as Queen.



### Hunting for a Highlander by Lynsay Sands

Lady Dwyn Innes feels utterly out of place among the eligible women who've descended on Buchanan Keep, vying for the attention of the last unmarried brothers. She isn't long-legged and slender like her sisters, or flirtatious and wily like other lasses. Since her betrothed died, Dwyn has resigned herself to becoming an old maid. Yet a chance encounter with a stranger in the orchard awakens her to a new world of sensation and possibility.

After weeks away, Geordie Buchanan returns to find his home swarming with potential brides, thanks to his loving but interfering family. But one lass in particular draws his attention from the moment he spies her climbing a tree. Lady Dwyn is not nearly as plain as she thinks. Her lush figure and eager kisses delight him, as does her honesty. But the real test lies ahead: eliminating a hidden enemy, so that he and Dwyn can seal their Highland passion with a vow.



#### It Ends With Us by Colleen Hoover

Lily hasn't always had it easy, but that's never stopped her from working hard for the life she wants. She's come a long way from the small town where she grew up, she graduated from college, moved to Boston, and started her own business. And when she feels a spark with a gorgeous neurosurgeon named Ryle Kincaid, everything in Lily's life seems too good to be true.

Ryle is assertive, stubborn, may be even a little arrogant. He's also sensitive, brilliant, and has a total soft spot for Lily. And the way he looks in scrubs certainly doesn't hurt. Lily can't get him out of her head. But Ryle's complete aversion to relationships is disturbing. Even as Lily finds herself becoming the exception to his "no dating" rule, she can't help but wonder what made him that way in the first place.

As questions about her new relationship overwhelm her, so do thoughts of Atlas Corrigan, her first love and a link to the past she left behind. He was her kindred spirit, her protector. When Atlas suddenly reappears, everything Lily has built with Ryle is threatened.

With this bold and deeply personal novel, It Ends With Us is a heart-wrenching story and an unforgettable tale of love that comes at the ultimate price.



# The Meadow Girls by Sheila Newberry

Suffolk, 1914

Twelve-year-old Mattie and her little sister Evie lead an idyllic life in the countryside, exploring the meadows and picking watercress in the streams. But little do they know that this perfect childhood won't last. With the onset of World War I, the country is thrown into turmoil.

As the years pass, the girls go on to live very different lives. Mattie travels to Canada and America, whilst Evie remains in England. More than fifty years later, through marriages, deaths, births, war, heartbreak and distance, will these sisters finally be reunited to have their time in the meadows again?



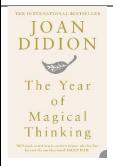
#### For You by Jodi Ellen Malpas

Since the day she married her husband, Lo Harper has watched her happy ever after slip away before her eyes. Feeling lost and alone, she's stumbling through life, each day getting longer, harder, and more hopeless. She doesn't know how much longer she can hold on. Until she meets a stranger who ironically becomes a lifeline after he nearly runs her down. He's charming, kind, and he doesn't pry. He's just there, making Lo smile, distracting her, if only briefly. Because she will always return to the pain. To the heartbreak. To the unshakable guilt. Luke Williamson is successful, content, and he keeps his relationships with women uncomplicated. But his simple, carefree life is turned up on its head the night a young woman walks out in front of his car. Drawn to each other for very different reasons, Lo and Luke forge an unlikely friendship that they both come to rely on. And yet while Luke shares his life with Lo, he knows she's keeping hers from him. And as her truth unfolds, Luke slowly realises that for Lo to have her happy ever after, he must sacrifice his own.

So he has to make the ultimate decision.

Keep Lo in his life as she is, a broken, shadow of a woman.

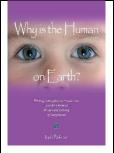
Or walk away and let her heal.



#### The Year of Magical Thinking by Joan Didion

From one of America's iconic writers, a portrait of a marriage and a life – in good times and bad – that will speak to anyone who has ever loved a husband or wife or child. A stunning book of electric honesty and passion.

Several days before Christmas 2003, John Gregory Dunne and Joan Didion saw their only daughter, Quintana, fall ill. At first they thought it was flu, then pneumonia, then complete sceptic shock. She was put into an induced coma and placed on life support. Days later – the night before New Year's Eve the Dunnes were just sitting down to dinner after visiting the hospital when John suffered a massive and fatal coronary. In a second, this close, symbiotic partnership of 40 years was over. Four weeks later, their daughter pulled through. Two months after that, arriving at LA airport, she collapsed and underwent six hours of brain surgery at UCLA Medical Centre to relieve a massive hematoma. This powerful book is Didion's 'attempt to make sense of the weeks and then months that cut lose any fixed idea I ever had about death, about illness about marriage and children and memory about the shallowness of sanity, about life itself'. The result is an exploration of an intensely personal yet universal experience: a portrait of a marriage, and a life, in good times and bad.



The Briars

#### Why is the Human on Earth by Mark Ballabon

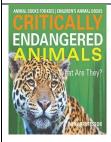
This highly acclaimed and beautifully illustrated book is like a personal meditation and companion for your bedside. Each chapter touches that deepest part in us all which feels a higher calling in life. The book is an uplifting experience, whilst the practical exercises promote a rare opportunity to explore what it means to be truly yourself.

Using original pictures, poetry, text and exercises, Why is the Human on Earth? Engages the reader's feelings and reasoning in a calm, intelligent and inspiring way.



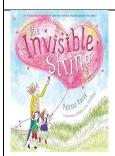
#### The Briars Volume 3 by Michel Dancoisne-Martineau

Napoleon's stay at the Briars has a special place in his story: an interlude of fifty-three days of calm in the epic tale of his life. This break allowed the people involved to analyse, summarise and comment on what had taken place during the journey between Portoferraio and St Helena. This hiatus was necessary because everything had been moving much too quickly in eight months, he had gone from the little Empire on the island of Elba, to the paradoxical Hundred Days, followed by Waterloo, the surrender and the interminable negotiations, and finally, three months at sea aboard HMS Bellerophon and Northumberland. intermission at the Briars, the scene was being set at Longwood House for the drama which would later unfold there.



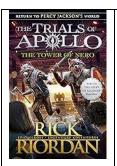
#### Critically Endangered Animals by Baby Professor

This book does more than just create the definitions of vulnerable. endangered and critically endangered animals. It also includes pictures and fun facts to make learning a lot more fun and effective. The combination of age-appropriate texts and vivid images will not only attract a child's attention for a few minutes but will keep it until the last page has been turned. Grab a copy today!



#### The Invisible String by Patrice Karst

Parents, educators, therapists, and social workers alike have declared The Invisible String the perfect tool for coping with all kinds of separation anxiety, loss, and grief. In this relatable and reassuring contemporary classic, a mother tells her two children that they're all connected by an invisible string. "That's impossible!" the children insist, but still they want to know more: "What kind of string?" The answer is the simple truth that binds us all: An Invisible String made of love. Even though you can't see it with your eyes, you can feel it deep in your heart, and know that you are always connected to the ones you love. Does everybody have an Invisible String? How far does it reach? Does it ever go away? This heart-warming picture book for all ages explores questions about the intangible yet unbreakable connections between us, and opens up deeper conversations about love.



# The Trials of Apollo The Tower of Nero by Rick Riordan It's time to face the final trial.

The battle for Camp Jupiter is over. New Rome is safe. Tarquin and his army of the undead have been defeated. Somehow Apollo has made it out alive, with a little bit of help from the Hunters of Artemis.

But though the battle may have been won, the war is far from over. Now Apollo and Meg must get ready for the final and, let's face it, probably fatal - adventure. They must face the last emperor, the terrifying Nero, and destroy him once and for all.

Can Apollo find his godly form again? Will Meg be able to face up to her troubled past? Destiny awaits.

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