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BY ANY OTHER NAME
A NOVEL
Jodi Picoult
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR’S CHOICE #1

In 1581, Emilia Bassano is allowed no voice of her own. But she finds a way to bring her work to the stage secretly. Yet, creating some of the world’s greatest dramatic masterpieces comes at a cost: by paying a man for the use of his name, she will write her own out of history. His name? William Shakespeare. In modern day New York, playwright Melina Green is determined to see one of her shows make the stage, inspired by her ancestor Emilia Bassano, England’s first published female poet. Although the challenges are different for her, a woman’s voice is still not heard like a man’s. But what lengths will she be willing to go to in order to achieve her dreams?


THE DARK WIVES
A VERA STANHOPE NOVEL
Vera Stanhope • Book 11
Ann Cleeves
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR’S CHOICE #5

The man’s body is found in the park outside Rosebank, a home for troubled teens in the coastal village of Longwater. DI Vera Stanhope is called out to investigate the death, with her only clue being the disappearance of one of the home’s residents, fourteen-year-old Chloe Spence. When a second connected body is found near the Three Dark Wives monument in the wilds of the Northumberland countryside, superstition and folklore begin to collide with fact. Vera knows she has to find Chloe to get to the truth, and the dark secrets in their community that may be far more dangerous than she could have ever believed possible.


I NEED YOU TO READ THIS
A NOVEL
Jessa Maxwell
EDITOR’S CHOICE #8

Alex Marks’ carefully cultivated world is upended when her childhood hero, Francis Keen, is brutally murdered. Francis was the woman behind the famous advice column Dear Constance, and her words helped Alex through some of her darkest times. When Alex sees an advertisement searching for her replacement, she impulsively applies. Alex is given the position, but soon she begins to receive strange, potentially threatening letters. As Alex is drawn into the details surrounding her predecessor’s murder, she finds herself trapped in a dangerous game of cat and mouse that takes her all the way to Francis Keen’s summer house, where the killer may just be waiting for her.

**RED RIVER ROAD**

**A NOVEL**

**Anna Downes**

Katy Sweeney is looking for her sister. A year earlier, her free-spirited younger sister, Phoebe, vanished without a trace in Western Australia. With no witnesses, no leads, and no DNA evidence, the case has gone cold. But Katy refuses to give up on her. Using Phoebe's social media accounts as a map, Katy retraces her sister's steps. Was Phoebe being followed? Who had she met along the way? And then Katy's path collides with that of Beth, who is on the run from her own dark past. Katy realizes that Beth might be her only chance of finding the truth, and the two women form an uneasy alliance to find out what really happened to Phoebe in this wild and perilous place.


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**SANDWICH**

**A NOVEL**

**Catherine Newman**

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“Newman . . . has a gift for exploring the real, messy contradictions in human emotions . . . A moving, hilarious reminder that parenthood, just like life, means constant change.” — starred, Kirkus Reviews

For the past two decades, Rocky has looked forward to her family’s yearly escape to Cape Cod. Their beach-town rental has been the site of sweet memories, sunny days, great meals, and messes of all kinds: emotional, marital, and — thanks to the ancient plumbing — septic. This year’s vacation, with Rocky sandwiched between her half-grown kids and aging parents, promises to be just as delightful. And then a chain of events sends Rocky into the past, reliving both the tenderness and sorrow of long-ago summers. And when Rocky comes face to face with her family’s history and future, she is forced to accept that she can no longer hide her secrets from the people she loves.


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**JACKPOT SUMMER**

**Elyssa Friedland**

“‘A fun read that poses deeper questions about marriage, sibling relationships, and inevitable change in life.’ — Library Journal

The four Jacobson children were raised to respect the value of a dollar. Yet, now that they’re adults, their financial lives are in disarray. Matthew is miserable at his corporate law job; Laura's marriage is imploding; Sophie's art career is stalled; and Noah's failure to launch has him doing tech repair for pennies. When Noah sees an ad for a Powerball drawing, he and his sisters go in on tickets while Matthew passes. All hell breaks loose when one of the tickets is a winner and three of the four Jacobsons become overnight millionaires. It’s not long before the Jacobsons start to realize they'll never feel rich unless they can pull their family back together.


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**APRIL MAY JUNE JULY**

**A NOVEL**

**Alison B. Hart**

April, May, June, and July Barber don’t have much in common anymore. A family wedding will place the four siblings in the same room for the first time in years. April loves her husband but seeks excitement outside their marriage. May had big dreams for the future, but she's still stuck living at home. June is eager to marry her girlfriend, so why does she need a drink at every wedding-related event? And then there's July, whose unrequited love for his straight roommate has him more confused than ever. Confronting the past together, April, May, June, and July will find new romance, hope, and understanding as they learn to embrace the beauty of their shared history.

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FATAL INTRUSION
Sanchez and Heron Series • Book 1
Jeffery Deaver and Isabella Maldonado

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
Carmen Sanchez is a Homeland Security agent who plays by the rules. But when her sister is attacked, she enlists the aid of Professor Jake Heron, a private security expert who believes rules are merely suggestions. They team up to catch the assailant, who has no discernible motive and fits no classic criminal profile. Over the next seventy-two hours, Sanchez and Heron find themselves in the midst of a lethal chess match with the killer as they race to stop the carnage. As the victims mount, so do the risks. Because this web of intrigue goes deeper than anyone could possibly anticipate.

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CLIVE CUSSLER GHOST SOLDIER
A NOVEL OF THE OREGON FILES®
The Oregon Files • Book 18
Mike Maden

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR’S CHOICE #3
When African jihadis attack a Nigerian regiment, Cabrillo and the Oregon crew are on the case, investigating from Afghanistan to Kuala Lumpur to track an arms dealer known as the Vendor. Cabrillo goes undercover to find the Vendor’s base, but his adversary isn’t just an arms smuggler. He’s an arms maker, and Cabrillo just walked into a lethal military game alongside the most dangerous mercenaries in the world, designed to test the Vendor’s cutting-edge AI arsenal. The Vendor has an army of high-speed drones headed for a pivotal military site, and if the Oregon crew can’t stop, the entire globe will erupt in conflict.

Adventure | Releases 9/4/2024
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TOM CLANCY SHADOW STATE
A Jack Ryan Jr. Novel • Book 12
M. P. Woodward

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR’S CHOICE #7
The vibrant economy of the new Vietnam is a shiny lure for Western capital. Hendley Associates has sent their best analyst, Jack Ryan, Jr., to mine for investment gold. And he may have found some in mining company GeoTech. But a trip with a colleague to observe the company’s operations takes a treacherous turn when their helicopter is shot down. The Chinese are determined to keep Jack from finding the truth about what exactly is being processed at the isolated factory. Now Jack’s got to stay one step ahead of a pack of killers. He’ll get no help from the government, because in the jungle, it’s the shadow state that rules.

Thriller | Releases 9/4/2024
Available in High-Octane 4, 6 & 8.

WHAT TIME THE Sexton’S SPADE DOTH RUST
A FLAVIA DE LUCE NOVEL
Flavia de Luce Novel • Book 11
Alan Bradley

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
Flavia de Luce has taken on the mentorship of her cousin Undine, who has come to live at Buckshaw. In her best moments she shows potential for trespassing, trickery, and other assorted mayhem. When Major Greyleigh, a recluse and former hangman, is found dead after a breakfast of poisonous mushrooms, suspicion falls on the de Luce family’s cook, Mrs. Mullet. Flavia sets out to find the real killer and clear Mrs. Mullet’s good name. Little does she know that following the case’s twists and turns will lead her to a surprising discovery — one with the power to upend her entire life.

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THE NIGHT GUEST
Hildur Knútsdóttir

“Surreal and spectacular . . . This is psychological horror at its finest.” — starred, Publishers Weekly

Iðunn knows her constant fatigue is a sign that something’s not right, but practitioners dismiss her symptoms and blood tests haven’t revealed any cause. When she talks to friends about it, the refrain is the same — have you tried eating better? Exercising more? Establishing a nighttime routine? She tries to follow their advice, buying everything from vitamins to sleeping pills to a step-counting watch. Nothing helps. Until one night Iðunn falls asleep with the watch on and wakes up to find she’s walked over 40,000 steps in the night. What is happening when she’s asleep? Why is she waking up with increasingly disturbing injuries? And why won’t anyone believe her?

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THE LAST MURDER AT THE END OF THE WORLD
A NOVEL
Stuart Turton

LIBRARYREADS PICK
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“A complex world and characters in a page-turner centered on what it means to be human and whether those qualities are worth preserving.” — starred, Library Journal

Outside the island the world was destroyed by a fog that swept the planet, killing anyone it touched. On the island one hundred and twenty-two villagers and three scientists live in harmony. Until one of the scientists is stabbed to death. They learn that the murder has triggered a lowering of the security system around the island, the only thing keeping the fog at bay. If the murder isn’t solved within 107 hours, the fog will smother the island and everyone on it. But the security system has also wiped everyone’s memories, which means someone on the island is a murderer — and they don’t even know it. The clock is ticking.

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THE BEST LIES
David Ellis

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
Leo Balanoff is a pathological liar with unthinkable skeletons in his family’s closet. He’s also a crusading attorney who seeks justice at all costs. When a ruthless drug dealer is found dead and Leo’s fingerprints show up on the murder weapon, no one believes a word he says. But he might be the FBI’s only shot at taking down the dealer’s brutal syndicate. Risk his life going undercover for the feds or head straight to prison for murder? Leo accepts the FBI’s offer. Forced to walk a tightrope between an ambitious FBI agent and a cruel, calculating crime boss, Leo’s trapped in a corner. But he has more secrets than anyone realizes, and a few more cards left to play.

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WATCH IT BURN
A NOVEL
Kristen Bird

“Readers can count on author Bird to write a twisty tale about the dark side of suburban perfection.” — Booklist

It’s early morning in the small Texas town of Edenberg when the body of Beverly Hoffman is discovered in the Guadalupe River. After Nichole Miller discovers the body, she makes two phone calls: first to the police and second to her best friend, journalist Jenny Martin. Jenny knows foul play when she sees it. The two women enlist the help of Beverly’s daughter-in-law, Robin, who’s eager to expose the truth. Beverly had been beloved in the community, having cofounded the wildly popular personal-development company Genetive, Inc. But something sinister has been smoldering beneath the surface of their picturesque hometown. And Genetive is at the center of it all.

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Fern Michaels
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR'S CHOICE #5
While Cullen Bodman focuses on their family’s antiques restoration business, his sister Luna’s next-door Namaste Café brings in new clientele. As a thank you, Cullen retrieves Luna’s childhood dresser from storage and refinishes it. A delighted Luna rummages through the drawers and discovers mementos of her friend Brendan. But a flurry of emails leads to a very brief death notice: Born. Died. Nothing else. Beyond Luna’s sadness is her intuition that something is off, a feeling that intensifies when she glimpses a person who seems to be Brendan. Is her old friend really alive? And if so, who faked his death, and why?

Women’s Fiction | Releases 9/4/2024
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PASSIONS IN DEATH
AN EVE DALLAS NOVEL
In Death • Book 59
J. D. Robb
NEW YORK TIMESベストSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR’S CHOICE #2
On a hot August night, Lt. Eve Dallas and her husband speed through the streets of Manhattan to the Down and Dirty club, where a pre-wedding girls’ night out has turned into a murder scene. One of the brides lies in a pool of blood, garroted in a private room. It all brings back some bad memories for Eve, who once suffered an assault in the very same room. Eve knows that the level of violence and the apparent premeditation involved suggest a volatile mix of hidden, heated passion and ice-cold calculation. This is a crime that can be countered only by hard detective work, and Eve will not stop until she finds the killer.

Mystery | Releases 9/4/2024
Available in Dynamic Drama 3 & 5.

SEVEN SUMMERS
Paige Toon
“Toon’s atmospheric romance, full of longing, mourning, and growing up, will appeal to fans of slow-burn novels.” — Library Journal
Liv and Finn meet six summers ago working in a bar on the rugged Cornish coastline. But Finn’s life is in LA with his band, and Liv’s is in Cornwall with her family — so they make a promise. Finn will return every year, and if they are single they will spend the summer together. This summer Liv crosses paths with Tom — a mysterious new arrival. As the wildflowers and heather come into bloom, they find themselves falling for one another. For the first time Liv can imagine a world where her heart isn’t broken every autumn. Now Liv must make an impossible choice. And when she discovers the shocking reason Tom has left home, she’ll need to trust her heart even more.

Romance General | Releases 9/4/2024
Available in Dynamic Drama 5.

DISTURBING THE DEAD
A RIP THROUGH TIME NOVEL
Rip Through Time Novels • Book 3
Kelley Armstrong
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
Victorian Scotland is becoming less strange to modern-day homicide detective Mallory Atkinson. Though inhabiting someone else’s body will always be unsettling, even if her employers know she’s not actually housemaid Catriona Mitchell, ever since the night both of them were attacked in the same alley 150 years apart. Mallory likes her job as assistant to undertaker/medical examiner Dr. Duncan Gray and, understanding the Victorian fascination with death, isn’t that surprised when they are invited to a mummy unwrapping. But upon closer inspection, it’s not a mummy they’ve unwrapped, but a much more modern body.

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THE BOOKLOVER’S LIBRARY
A NOVEL
Madeline Martin
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR
In England, Emma Taylor finds herself in desperate need of a job. She and her daughter Olivia have always managed just fine on their own, but with the legal restrictions prohibiting widows with children from most employment opportunities, she’s left with only one option: persuading the manageress at Boots’ Booklover’s Library to take a chance on her. When the threat of war in England becomes a reality, Olivia must be evacuated to the countryside and Emma seeks a renewed sense of purpose. As the Blitz intensifies and Emma fights to reunite with her daughter, she must learn to depend on her community and the power of literature to find hope in the darkest of times.

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THE DISAPPEARANCE OF ASTRID BRICARD
Natasha Lester
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
“Lester deftly delivers a scathing critique of the lies that are told to keep women in their place.” — Kirkus Reviews
French countryside, Present Day. Blythe Bricard is the daughter of famous fashion muses, but she will discover there is more to her iconic mother and grandmother than she ever knew. New York, 1970. Designer Astrid Bricard is determined to change the fashion world forever. But just as her career is about to take off, she mysteriously vanishes. Paris, 1917. Sixteen-year-old Mizza Bricard has made a vow to be remembered on her own terms. Her promise sustains her through turbulent decades and volatile couture houses until, finally, a legend is born — one that proves impossible for Astrid and Blythe to distance themselves from.

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THAT LIBRARIAN
THE FIGHT AGAINST BOOK BANNING IN AMERICA
Amanda Jones

“[Jones] offers sound advice about how individuals from a variety of viewpoints can better educate themselves regarding library content, purchasing processes, and reconsideration policies . . . A useful book for readers interested in better understanding a persistent problem.” — Kirkus Reviews

Schools and libraries nationwide have been bombarded by demands for books with LGBTQ+ references, discussions of racism, and more to be purged from the shelves. Librarian Amanda Jones would be damned if her community were to ban stories representing minority groups. Her decision to support books with diverse perspectives made her a target for extremists using book banning campaigns to make America more white, straight, and “Christian.” Mapping the book banning crisis occurring all across the nation, That Librarian calls book lovers everywhere to rise in defense of our readers.

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WHAT A FOOL BELIEVES
A MEMOIR
Michael McDonald with Paul Reiser

“[A]n engaging story that readers of music bios will enjoy. McDonald’s musical journey as a backing singer, a side musician, and a front man is fascinating because it is different from that of many other pop/rock stars.” — Library Journal

Across a half-century of American music, Michael McDonald’s voice defined an era of rock and R&B. A high school dropout from Missouri, Michael chased his dreams in 1970s California. As a rising session musician and backing vocalist, a series of encounters would send him to the heights of rock stardom — from joining Steely Dan and becoming a defining member of The Doobie Brothers to forging a path as a solo R&B artist. Filled with unbelievable stories and a matchless cast of music greats including James Taylor, Ray Charles, and Carly Simon, What a Fool Believes is a moving and entertaining memoir that is sure to be a classic.

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SAY MORE
LESSONS FROM WORK, THE WHITE HOUSE, AND THE WORLD
Jen Psaki

“Psaki approaches her personal and professional past with circumspection, infusing her words with humor and vulnerability.” — Kirkus Reviews

Not many White House Press Secretaries capture the nation’s interest the way Jen Psaki did. In her highly anticipated book, Psaki writes about reporting to bosses from Rahm Emanuel to Barack Obama to John Kerry. She also talks about working with President Joe Biden to set a new tone for the country. Since leaving the White House, Psaki has launched a highly rated show on MSNBC. In Say More, Psaki explains her straightforward approach to communication. She addresses the best ways to give and receive feedback, how to connect with your audience, how to listen actively, and much more.

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IN MY TIME OF DYING
HOW I CAME FACE-TO-FACE WITH THE IDEA OF AN AFTERLIFE
Sebastian Junger
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER
“A luminous book . . . Intelligent and poignantly probing.” — Kirkus Reviews
For years as an award-winning war reporter, Sebastian Junger traveled to many front lines and frequently put his life at risk. Yet the closest he ever came to death was the summer of 2020 while spending a quiet afternoon at home with his wife and children. Crippled by abdominal pain, Junger was rushed to the hospital. As blackness encroached, he was visited by his dead father. That was the last thing Junger remembered until he came to the next day. In My Time of Dying is part medical drama, part searing autobiography, and part rational inquiry into the ultimate unknowable mystery.
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AMERICA’S DEADLIEST ELECTION
THE CAUTIONARY TALE OF THE MOST VIOLENT ELECTION IN AMERICAN HISTORY
Dana Bash with David Fisher
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
The Election of 1872 was the most contentious in American history. After both parties complained of corruption, neither candidate would concede, and chaos erupted. The entire country watched as the wounds of the Civil War were ripped open and the promise of Reconstruction faltered in the face of violent resistance. In this book, readers will find eerie parallels to today's divided political landscape. An eye-opening warning of what's at stake, this is a must-read tale of America's deadliest election.
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WHEN THE SEA CAME ALIVE
AN ORAL HISTORY OF D-DAY
Garrett M. Graff
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER
“A sprawling history of D-Day from the point of view of participants on both sides . . . [and] a timely reminder of the cost of war, as well as the bravery of those who stormed the beaches all those decades ago.” — Kirkus Reviews
D-Day is one of history's greatest and most unbelievable military and human triumphs. The surprise landing of over 150,000 Allied troops on the morning of June 6, 1944, is understood to be the moment that turned the tide for Allied forces and ultimately led to the defeat of the Axis powers in World War II. Now, a new book from Garrett M. Graff explores the full impact of this event — from the secret creation of landing plans to the moment the boat doors opened to reveal the beach where men fought for their lives and the future of the free world — and offers a fitting tribute to the men and women of the Greatest Generation.
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History/Historical | Releases 9/18/2024
SOMEONE SAW SOMETHING
A NOVEL
Rick Mofina

**USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

When six-year-old Gabriel vanishes from Central Park, his mother, news anchor Corina Corado, is desperate for answers. Who would take her son — and why? Detectives suspect there’s a connection to the barrage of hate mail Corina’s received over the years. In her line of work, it’s not unusual for agitated conspiracy theorists to send messages that threaten violence . . . or worse. But as the investigation deepens, the secrets that Corina, her husband, Robert, and her stepdaughter, Charlotte, have kept start to unravel. As the truth behind Gabriel’s disappearance emerges, Corina must race the clock to track down her missing child . . . before paying the ultimate price.

Thriller | Releases 9/18/2024

WE USED TO LIVE HERE
A NOVEL
Marcus Kliewer

"A frighteningly good debut." — Kirkus Reviews

Charlie and Eve can’t believe the deal they’ve gotten on an old house in a picturesque neighborhood. As they’re working in the house one day, there’s a knock on the door. A man stands there with his family, claiming to have lived there years before and asking if it would be alright if he showed his kids around. As soon as the strangers enter their home, uncanny and inexplicable things start happening. Even more weird, the family can’t seem to take the hint that their visit should be over. When Charlie suddenly vanishes, Eve slowly loses her grip on reality. Something is terribly wrong with the house and with the visiting family — or is Eve just imagining things?

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DAY ONE
A NOVEL
Abigail Dean

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

A village hall, a primary-school play, a beautiful Lake District town in England. Into this idyllic scene steps a lone gunman whose actions set off a chain of events that will have devastating consequences for the community of Stonesmere. In the weeks following, conspiracy theorists start questioning what happened. Two young people find themselves at the epicenter of the uproar: Marty, the town’s golden girl and daughter of a teacher killed that day, and Trent, whose memories of his brief time trying to fit into Stonesmere fuel his attachment to the conspiracies. But what really happened? In this world where news travels fast, how does a community move forward?

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SAFE ENOUGH
AND OTHER STORIES
Lee Child

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
Throughout his career, Lee Child published tales about a range of characters on both sides of the law. Packed with action and suspense, the stories show the author's mastery of the short form, and they've never been collected before now. Together, these stories are a riotous calamity of criminals and crime fighters; individually, they are piercing tales that hit hard enough to leave a mark. These twenty intriguing, thrilling, and rapid-fire fictions are sure to please new and longtime fans. Featuring an introduction from the author, the collection stands as the first book written entirely by Child in three years.


FIRST FROST
A Longmire Mystery
Craig Johnson

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
PUBLISHERS WEEKLY BESTSELLER
It's 1964, and recent college graduates Walt Longmire and Henry Standing Bear enlist to serve in the Vietnam War. As they catch a few final waves in California before reporting for duty, a sudden storm capsizes a nearby cargo boat. It's revealed that the boat carried valuable contraband from underground sources. The boys head out on Route 66. The question is how far they will get before the consequences of their actions catch up to them — the answer being, not very. In the present day, Walt is forced to speak before a judge following the fatal events of The Longmire Defense, standing between the crossfire of law and anarchy.

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UP ON THE WOOF TOP
A Chet & Bernie Mystery • Book 14
Spencer Quinn

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
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“Quinn continues to perfectly capture the inner voice of the canine detective, and the Christmas setting provides many opportunities for seasonal wordplay.” — Library Journal

Chet the dog and his human partner Bernie Little find themselves high in the mountains to help Dame Ariadne Carlisle find Rudy, her lead reindeer and good luck charm, who has gone missing. But the case turns out to be about much more than reindeer after Dame Ariadne’s personal assistant takes a long fall into a deep mountain gorge. When our duo discovers that someone very close to Dame Ariadne was murdered in that same spot decades earlier, they start looking into that long ago unsolved crime. Can they unlock the secrets of Dame Ariadne’s life before they too end up at the bottom of the gorge? Is Rudy somehow the key?

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LONG TIME GONE
Charlie Donlea
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR
“Zigzagging mercilessly between past and present, Donlea keeps up the tension . . . in a superior thriller.” — starred, Kirkus Reviews
On the first day of a two-year fellowship, Sloan Hastings receives a research assignment in forensic genealogy, the exciting science behind recent breaks in high-profile cold cases. Sloan begins her research by submitting her own DNA to an online genealogy site. The results are shocking. Sloan has always known she was adopted, but her DNA profile suggests her true identity is that of Charlotte Margolis, aka “Baby Charlotte,” who captured the nation’s attention when she and her parents vanished in 1995. The more she learns, the more apparent it becomes that the answers Sloan seeks are buried in a graveyard of secrets. And someone will do anything to keep them hidden.
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MURDER, SHE WROTE
MURDER BACKSTAGE
A Murder, She Wrote Mystery
Jessica Fletcher & Terrie Farley Moran
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR
Jessica Fletcher’s British cousin Emma will be traveling to Canada to perform with internationally famous star Derek Braverman in an old-fashioned musical review. Emma would love for Jessica to join her there, and Jessica is delighted to agree. Upon arrival in Edmonton, Jessica is quickly outed as mystery writer J. B. Fletcher. When a hotel bartender, who also happens to be a stagehand for Emma’s play, turns up dead backstage at the theater, Jessica’s relaxing vacation quickly becomes anything but.
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THE STRANGER IN THE LIBRARY  
A Lighthouse Library Mystery  
Eva Gates  
“A neat package of art lore and murder set against the storied background of the Outer Banks.” — Kirkus Reviews  
When a traveling show of impressionist art comes to Nags Head, North Carolina, librarian Lucy gets an invite to the glittery opening night, where she notices unusual tension among the show's organizers. Then, the man scheduled to give the welcoming speech fails to arrive, and a partygoer is discovered drowned in a fishpond. Tom Reilly, a handsome, charming art dealer, slipped away from the party early, and he cannot be located by the police. Something is afoot in Nags Head, and it’s up to Lucy and her friends to get to the bottom of it.  
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MURDER AT AN ENGLISH SÉANCE  
A Beryl and Edwina Mystery  
Jessica Ellicott  
Beryl, as thanks for solving a case, has been gifted an airplane. After swooping over the fields and hedgerows of Walmsley Parva, she flamboyantly lands the plane on the village green, startling Edwina. Beryl's aircraft is not the only disruption of village peace. Miss Dinsdale, a psychic medium, has started holding séances and claims her spirit guide is an Egyptian princess whose mummy resides in a sarcophagus in the room. But the only body in the sarcophagus belongs to a murdered villager impaled with a dagger. As the sleuths begin to investigate, Beryl and Edwina must go round a circle of suspects to divine the culprit.  
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BAKING SPIRITS BRIGHT  
A True Confections Mystery  
Sarah Fox  
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR  
“As sweet as its many sugar-infused puns.” — Kirkus Reviews  
Winter has arrived in Larch Haven, Vermont. Becca Ransom is preparing for the Baking Spirits Bright holiday baking competition, a popular annual event. She's planning to enter an edible model of Larch Haven, with a mountain backdrop made of cake, gingerbread cottages, and chocolate gondolas on sugar-glass canals. The competition quickly heats to a boiling point, with flaring tempers and mysterious happenings. When one of the entrants is found dead, stabbed with Becca's chocolate chipper, Becca tries to salvage the season by finding the killer. But the heat is on, and Becca is in danger of getting burned.  
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A LIMITED EDITION MURDER  
A Beyond the Page Bookstore Mystery  
Lauren Elliott  
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR  
Although enjoying her stay in West Yorkshire, Addie still feels adrift. The engagement party of her friend, Tony, at Milton Manor promises to be a joyful distraction. But when Tony presents his fiancé with a special copy of Wuthering Heights as an engagement gift, the lord of the manor insists the book was stolen from his library. Things go from troubling to tragic when Addie stumbles across the body of a young woman. When the police suspect Tony, Addie vows to get to the bottom of what's going on. But it's a twisted, treacherous path and Addie will need to watch her every step.  
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ELLA
A Novel
Diane Richards

“An electrifying tale of Ella Fitzgerald in the years before she was discovered… Richards’s research brings the sights and sounds of 1930s Harlem to vivid life, and she portrays Fitzgerald’s troubling teen years with care and sensitivity.”
— starred, Publishers Weekly

When fifteen-year-old Ella Fitzgerald’s mother dies at the height of the Depression in 1932, the teenager goes to work for the mob to support herself and her family. When the law catches up, the “ungovernable” adolescent is incarcerated in the New York Training School for Girls, infamous for its harsh treatment of inmates, especially Black ones. Determined to be free, Ella escapes and makes her way back to Harlem. Looking for a break into show business, Ella draws straws to appear at the Apollo Theater’s Amateur Night on November 21, 1934. Four years later, at barely twenty-one, Ella Fitzgerald has become the bestselling female vocalist in America.

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A CUP OF FLOUR,
A PINCH OF DEATH
A Baker Street Mystery • Book 3
Valerie Burns

Maddy’s Baby Cakes Bakery is becoming a huge success — so much so that she’s attracted the attention of her former nemesis, the fiancé-stealing Brandy Denton. When Brandy blows in and disrupts a vlog Maddy’s filming, their argument goes viral. After Brandy’s body is found at Baby Cakes, Maddy goes from viral sensation to murder suspect. When Brandy blows in and disrupts

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Family Business Series • Book 7
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Midnight Blues may be fun for the locals and the tourists, but as of late, the club hasn’t been fun for its owner, Big Shirley Duncan, or her son Tyrese. The pair finds themselves in the middle of a turf war between local politicians, developers, and a ruthless underworld boss. Afraid for the first time in her life that her family may lose control of The Blues, Big Shirley sends Tyrese to New York to see her brother-in-law, LC Duncan. In turn, LC enlists his nephew, bounty hunter Curtis Duncan, and his highly trained niece Lauryn Duncan, to help add some muscle and security to their family’s struggling business.

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CONTROL
Omar Tyree

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
Dr. Victoria Benning knows it’s unethical to discuss the therapy sessions of her clients, but the drama of their unpredictable lives tests her professional role like never before. Working around the clock, Dr. Benning observes a troubling, treacherous common denominator that plagues her clients: a desperate impulse to grasp control of everything and everyone in their lives. Determined to head-off tragedy, she comes up with a plan to make their collective talents work in everyone’s favor. But just as she moves into action, inexplicable events quickly turn fatal, as the doctor finds her plan, her career, and her personal life all spiraling hopelessly out of control.

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BIRDING WITH BENEFITS
A NOVEL
Sarah T. Dubb

“Readers will appreciate this quirky romance that manages to bring together very different people to find commonalities and shared experiences, a worthwhile and touching lesson for all.” — Library Journal

Newly divorced Celeste is seeking adventure and putting herself first. So when a friend asks Celeste to “partner” with his buddy John for an event, Celeste throws herself into the role of his temporary girlfriend. But John isn't looking for love, just birds — he needs a partner for Tucson's biggest bird-watching contest if he's ever going to launch his own guiding business. The hours they spend hiking feed Celeste's hunger for adventure while giving John a chance to practice his dream job. As the two spend more time together, their chemistry becomes undeniable. But as their time ticks down, John and Celeste will have to decide if this love affair is for the birds.

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THE SEASIDE SISTERS
A NOVEL
Pamela M. Kelley

USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Hannah is a bestselling author struggling to write her second book. Her older sister, Sara, still lives in Chatham, Cape Cod, where they grew up, and is married with four children. Once a dedicated librarian, Sara dreams of reviving her love affair with literature. When Hannah gets the chance to retreat to her aunt’s oceanfront house in Chatham for the summer, it seems like just the thing to get her creative juices flowing. And she’ll be able to spend more time with Sara, who is eager to do something rewarding and book related. The pair will spend the summer making friends, rekindling romance, and opening themselves up to the magic of books and the beach.

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A NOVEL
Amy T. Matthews

“Matthews authentically captures the intergenerational dynamics, making it all the sweeter as frank discussions and shared understanding heal some of the rifts between them as they trek on.” — Publishers Weekly

When twenty-five-year-old Heather Russo breaks up with her boyfriend, she's miserable. What's more, all the women in her family are struggling. Mom Sandy is nursing a grudge against Heather's father, whom she's now divorcing. Grandmother Bonnie is reeling with the grief of losing her third husband. Determined not to spend her 70th birthday wallowing, Bonnie is ready to take extreme measures. Even if it means dragging her beloved girls along, they're going to hike the Incan Trail to Machu Picchu! With every step, each woman sheds some of the past and opens up to the possibilities of the present — and a future that just might include a new happily ever after.

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Rachel Hauck

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Kelly Irvin

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THE CHRISTMAS TREE FARM
A CHRISTMAS NOVELLA
Melody Carlson

When Madison McDowell returns from several years teaching overseas, she has high hopes of picking up where she left off at her family’s Christmas tree farm in Oregon. But between damage from a recent wildfire and the neglect due to her sister Addie’s unwillingness to invest, the farm is in sad shape. In fact, Addie is intent on selling the property. And to top it off, her former high school flame, the now-widowed Gavin Thompson, has plans to turn his neighboring property into a dusty, noisy dirt bike track for his daughter. It will take a ton of hard work to save the farm she so dearly loves. But it may take a miracle to restore her relationship with her sister.


THE AMISH MATCHMAKERS
Beth Wiseman

Sisters Esther and Lizzie are the town matchmakers. But when a new tenant moves into a guest cottage at their Peony Inn, the sisters are shocked to discover that one of them might find a match of her own. Dr. Benjamin Stoltzfus has signed a six-month lease, and Esther and Lizzie are in a surprising competition for the doctor’s affections. When Benjamin’s granddaughter, Mindy, comes to visit, a young Amish man runs his lawnmower right into her sports car. As Mindy and Gabriel find themselves thrown together time after time, they start making matchmaking plans of their own. As the two put their energy into playing Cupid, it looks like love might also be finding them.

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“Hunt’s fans will be eager to sink their teeth into this evocative historical and its inspiring message of faith in times of trial.” — Publishers Weekly

When the provincial governor arrives in Corinth, Chief Magistrate Narkis Ligus is delighted. He sees a golden opportunity to propel himself to greater power and fortune by uniting his and the governor’s households through the marriage of one of his daughters to the governor’s firstborn son. Yet Mariana, his stepdaughter, holds steadfast faith in Yeshua, rendering her hesitant to marry a man devoted to the Roman gods. On the other hand, Prima, his daughter by birth, yearns for wealth and status and is willing to go to great lengths to secure a marriage that fulfills her desires — even if it means betraying Mariana to do so.

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COAL BLACK LIES
AN APPALACHIAN NOVEL
Cindy K. Sproles
Coal miner Joshua Morgan managed to break away from the Barton family, to whom all the miners in the Appalachian Mountains are indebted. But it cost him his daughter, who was run down by a posse led by Thomas Barton while coming to collect Joshua's payment. Five years later, a young girl lands on his doorstep, and Joshua's desire to protect her from the Bartons increases his thirst for vengeance. His journey leads him to the truth about the day his daughter died, but when confronted by Thomas Barton himself, Joshua is forced to rethink the lies brewing in his heart. Can Joshua join forces with a man he once despised to free the miners and forge a future of peace?
OYE
A NOVEL
Melissa Mogollon

“Luciana’s emotional journey to self-acceptance, via the many trials she encounters, is compelling. The unique structure of the novel and its emotional and often hilarious dialogue will appeal to all audiences.”
— Library Journal

As the baby of her large Colombian American family, Luciana is usually relegated to the sidelines. But now she finds herself as the only voice of reason in the face of an unexpected crisis: A hurricane is heading straight for Miami, and her grandmother, Abue, is refusing to evacuate. And when Abue receives a shocking medical diagnosis, Luciana’s world is upended. When Abue moves into Luciana’s bedroom, their complicated bond intensifies. Forced to step into the role of caretaker, translator, and keeper of the devastating family secrets that Abue begins to share, Luciana suddenly finds herself center stage, facing down adulthood — and rising to the occasion.

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MOON OF THE TURNING LEAVES
A NOVEL
Waubgeshig Rice

“Rice renders an achingly realistic portrayal of a broken, post-apocalyptic world that still manages to contain hope and beauty.” — starred, Library Journal

For the past twelve years, a community of Anishinaabe people have made the Northern Ontario bush their home in the wake of the power failure that brought about societal collapse. But their natural food resources are dwindling. Evan Whitesky volunteers to lead a mission south to explore the possibility of moving back to their original homeland in the Great Lakes region. Accompanied by five others, Evan begins a journey that will take him near the devastated city of Gibson, a land now being reclaimed by nature. But it isn't just the wilderness that poses a threat: they encounter other survivors. Those who live in harmony with the land, and those who use violence.

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A NOVEL
John Shen Yen Nee, SJ Rozan

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London, 1924. When shy academic Lao She meets larger-than-life Judge Dee Ren Jie, his quiet life abruptly turns from books and lectures to daring chases and narrow escapes. Dee has come to London to investigate the murder of a man he’d known during World War I when serving with the Chinese Labour Corps. No sooner has Dee interviewed the grieving widow than another dead body turns up. Then another. All stabbed to death with a butterfly sword. Will Dee and Lao be able to connect the threads of the murders — or are they next in line as victims?

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CHRISTMAS AT THE AMISH MARKET
Shelley Shepard Gray
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
Wesley is so busy running his family’s Amish market at the holidays, he barely has time for Liesl, the woman he’s been courting for years. When she suggests her aunt Jenny could help out, he agrees to the plan. But Liesl neglected to mention her aunt is only twenty-six years old — and as charming as she is hard-working. Jenny soon realizes Wesley is everything she ever dreamed a man could be, but how can she even think about romance with the man Liesl expects to marry? But Liesl’s own feelings are complicated. With humor, faith, and a little help, everyone might just find what their hearts are looking for this Christmas.
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MARY’S CALICO HOPE
The Heart of the Amish • Book 5
Anne Blackburne
"The chemistry between the two leads is palpable, and it’s easy to root for the spunky, independent, and dauntless Mary as she fights to carve out a life of her own choosing.” — Publishers Weekly
If God wills it, Mary Yoder will do it, even if that means using crutches for the rest of her life. She was badly injured in a buggy accident as a child. She is content living in the Dawdi Haus and with her work weaving baskets and raising roosters. She is truly happy, but she wouldn’t mind finding a husband — if the Lord wills it. Along comes Reuben King, a Mennonite doctor. They are attracted to one another, but she’s a baptized Amish woman. Also, he wants her to have surgery to improve her mobility and lessen her pain. She’s tired of surgeries! But just maybe there will be a way for these two unlikely souls to connect.
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RISKING HER AMISH HEART
Bird-in-Hand Brides • Book 2
Jackie Stef
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After being jilted, Grace Ebersol moves to Bird-in-Hand, Pennsylvania, to care for her ailing grandfather — and avoid any future heartache. Good thing the only eligible Amish bachelor nearby is her grandfather’s standoffish employee. But Grace quickly sees that Aaron King’s awkwardness hides a gentle, caring spirit. Can Grace learn to trust again . . . or will a secret Aaron is keeping destroy her second chance?
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Amy Lillard
“The book club ladies make a winning team in an amusing tale replete with down-home atmosphere and romance.” — Kirkus Reviews
The death of local herb farmer Ginger Reed is the talk of Yoder. Naturally, Sissy is intrigued. The report classifies Ginger's demise as an accident, but Sissy's cousin Naomi, a friend and longtime employee of Ginger's, insists that's impossible. When she asks for Sissy's help in unearthing the truth, Sissy's on the case. But the investigation stalls when Naomi makes a shocking turnaround in her story. Then a missing dog, a desperate lawyer, and a teenage con artist are added to the mix, and the puzzle becomes hopelessly complicated. If Sissy doesn't solve it, she'll be lost in the weeds as a killer reaps a deadly harvest.
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Kate is a bit of a mess. Two years after losing her husband, she's grieving, solo parenting, and working like mad. Lurching from one crisis to the next, she also navigates an overbearing mom and a best friend who's determined to matchmake Kate with her new neighbor. When an in-flight problem leaves Kate and her boss, Hugh, stranded for a weekend on the coast of Australia, she finally has a chance to really process her grief and see what's right in front of her. When it becomes clear that Hugh is hiding a secret, Kate turns to the trail of scribbled notes she once used to hold her life together. The first note captured her heart. Will the last note set it free?
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THE MADSTONE

A NOVEL

Elizabeth Crook

SPUR AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR

"Crook has a gift for engaging details . . . The guiding spirit here is Dickens . . . An entertaining, well-paced yarn." — starred, Kirkus Reviews

Texas hill country, 1868. Nineteen-year-old Benjamin Shreve witnesses a stagecoach strand a passenger. When the man, a treasure hunter, persuades Benjamin to help track down the coach, they discover that its passengers include Nell, a pregnant woman, and her four-year-old son, Tot, who are fleeing Nell's husband and his murderous brothers. Benjamin offers to deliver Nell and Tot to a distant port on the Gulf of Mexico, where they can board a ship to safety. He is joined by two other companions: the treasure hunter whose stranding began this endeavor and a Black Seminole who is a veteran of wars on both sides of the Rio Grande and who has an escape plan of his own.


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Dusty Richards

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In the fall of 1872, following a buggy mishap that killed his parents, Jack Slater, ten years old, was saved by the Children's Aid Society, which placed orphaned children with families on the frontier. These families welcomed the children, and most found loving homes. Slater did not. Instead, he found himself at Pete Jablonski's farm in Fargo, Dakota Territory, where abuse was a daily dose of reality. When outlaws rob a local mine payroll and kill four men in the process, Slater makes a mortal enemy of the Elko County Sheriff that takes Slater's life in an unexpected direction.


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Grace Adams gave birth, blinked, and now suddenly she is forty-five, perimenopausal and stalled — the unhappiest age you can be, according to the Guardian. And today she finally has had enough. To the astonishment of everyone, Grace gets out of her car and simply walks away. Grace sets off across London, armed with a £200 cake, to win back her estranged teenage daughter on her sixteenth birthday. Because today is the day she'll remind her daughter that no matter how far we fall, we can always get back up again. Because Grace Adams used to be amazing. But everyone seems to have forgotten. Grace is about to remind them . . . and, most important, remind herself.

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LET US DESCEND ★★
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Annis, sold south by the white enslaver who fathered her, is the reader's guide through this hellscape. As she struggles through the miles-long march, Annis turns inward, seeking comfort from memories of her mother and stories of her African warrior grandmother. Throughout, she opens herself to a world beyond this world, one teeming with spirits: of earth and water, of myth and history; spirits who nurture and give, and those who manipulate and take. While Ward leads readers through the descent, this, her fourth novel, is ultimately a story of rebirth and reclamation. From one of the most singularly brilliant and beloved writers of her generation, this miracle of a novel inscribes Black American grief and joy into the very land — the rich but unforgiving forests, swamps, and rivers of the American South.

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GOOD BAD GIRL
A NOVEL
Alice Feeney
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
Twenty years after a baby is stolen from a stroller, a woman is murdered in a care home. The two crimes are somehow linked, and a good bad girl may be the key to discovering the truth. Edith may have been tricked into a nursing home, but at eighty-years-young, she's planning her escape. Patience works there, cleaning messes and bonding with Edith. But Patience is lying to Edith about almost everything. With every reason to distrust each other, the women must solve a mystery with three suspects, two murders, and one victim. If they do, they might just find out what happened to the baby who disappeared, the mother who lost her, and the connections that bind them.

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THE FIRST STATE OF BEING ★
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It’s August 1999. For twelve-year-old Michael Rosario, life is as ordinary as ever — except for the looming Y2K crisis and his overwhelming crush on his fifteen-year-old babysitter, Gibby. But when a disoriented teenage boy named Ridge appears out of nowhere, Michael discovers there is more to life than stockpiling supplies and pining over Gibby. When Ridge reveals he’s the world’s first-time traveler, Michael and Gibby are stunned but curious. And when Michael discovers his new friend has a book that outlines the next twenty years, his curiosity morphs into determination. Michael needs to get his hands on that book. How else can he prepare for the future? But how far is he willing to go to get it?

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