

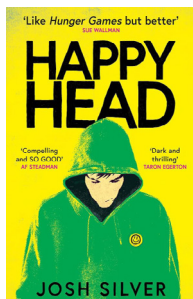


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Reads...

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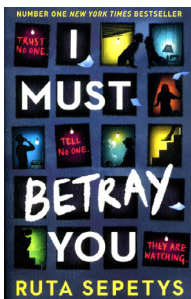
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I Must Betray You
by Ruta Sepetys

Trapped by an evil dictatorship, Cristian has an impossible choice. Save the life of his sick grandfather by informing on his family, or risk his life - by resisting? Closely based on the real events of the Romanian Revolution of 1989, this is a powerful, heart-breaking thriller.



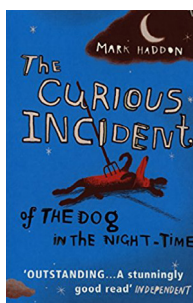
Where the World Ends
by Geraldine McCaughrean

In the summer of 1727, a group of men and boys are put ashore on a remote sea stack to harvest birds for food. No one returns to collect them. How can they survive, imprisoned on every side by the ocean?



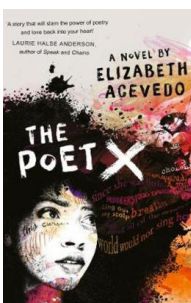
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The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time
by Mark Haddon

Christopher perceives the world entirely literally. He relates well to animals but has no understanding of human emotions. Then one day, a neighbour's dog is killed and Christopher sets out to solve the murder.



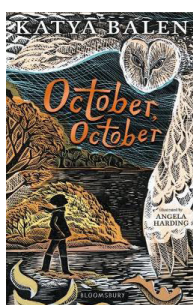
The Poet X
by Elizabeth Acevedo

Xiomara Batista feels unheard and unable to hide in her Harlem neighbourhood. She discovers slam poetry as a way to understand her mother's religion and her own relationship to the world.



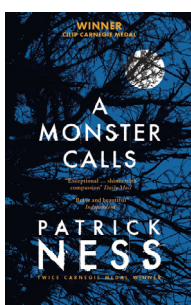
Wonder
by R. J. Palacio

August or "Auggie" Pullman, a ten-year-old boy living in New York City, was born with a facial deformity that has made it difficult for him to make friends. He lives with his parents, his older sister Via, and his dog Daisy. A moving tale.



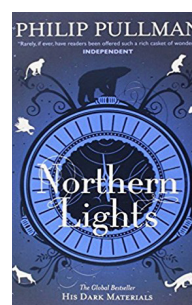
October, October
by Katya Balen

October and her dad live in the woods. They know the trees and the rocks and the lake and stars like best friends. They live in the woods and they are wild. And that's the way it is. Until the year October turns eleven.



A Monster Calls
by Patrick Ness

A boy seeks the help of a tree monster to cope with his single mother's terminal illness. The monster does not come walking often. This time it comes to Conor, and it asks for the one thing Conor cannot bring himself to do.



Northern Lights
by Philip Pullman

The first book of the trilogy, Northern Lights, takes place in a universe that is a little like ours but also strikingly different. A fantasy book with lots of thrills and adventures, following Lyra and her daemon Pantalaimon.



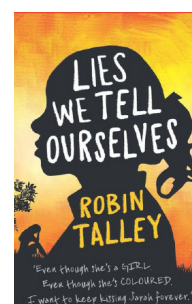
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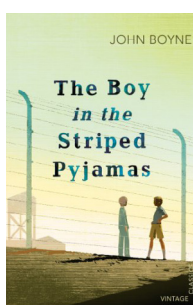
The Girls I've Been
by Tess Sharpe

As an ex con artist, Nora has always got herself out of tricky situations. But the ultimate test lies in wait when she's taken hostage in a bank heist. And this time, Nora doesn't have an escape plan ...



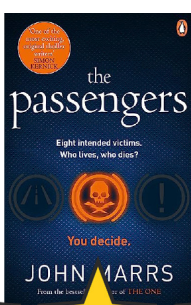
Lies We Tell Ourselves
by Robin Talley

Sarah Dunbar is one of the first black students to attend the previously all-white Jefferson High School. She is put into remedial classes, spat on and tormented daily. A brave and stunning novel about race and power.



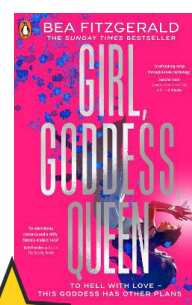
The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas
by John Boyne

Bruno sees a camp where prisoners wear striped pyjamas. One day, Bruno decides to explore the strange wire fence. As he walks along the fence, he meets a Jewish boy named Shmuel, who he learns shares his birthday..



The Passengers
by John Marrs

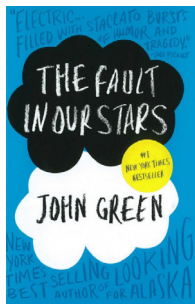
When someone hacks into the systems of eight self-driving cars, their passengers are set on a fatal collision course. Now the public have to judge who should survive but are the passengers all that they first seem?



Girl, Goddess Queen
by Bea Fitzgerald

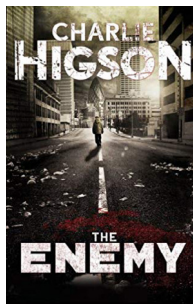
Persephone wasn't taken to hell: she jumped. There was no way she was going to be married off to some smug god. Now all she has to do is convince the Underworld's Hades, to fall in line with her plan.

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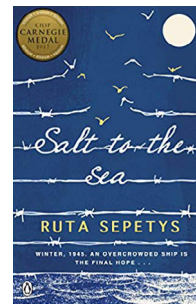
The Fault In Our Stars
by John Green

This book is about a teenage girl, Hazel, who has been diagnosed with lung cancer and reluctantly attends a cancer support group, where she meets a young boy named Augustus Waters.



The Enemy
by Charlie Higson

The Enemy is a post-apocalyptic horror novel. The book takes place in London, United Kingdom, after a worldwide sickness has infected adults, turning them into something akin to cannibalistic zombies.



Salt to the Sea
by Ruta Sepetys

Salt to the Sea is a historical fiction. It tells the story of four individuals in World War II who make their way to the ill-fated MV Wilhelm Gustloff.



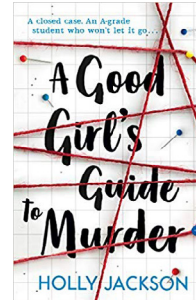
All That's Left in the World
by Erik J. Brown

When the Superflu wipes out most of the population, Jamie finds himself completely alone in a cabin in the woods - until an injured stranger crosses his path. Jamie takes him in, and soon their relationship starts to feel like more than just friendship ...



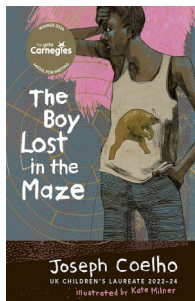
The Song Walker
by Zillah Bethell

When a young girl wakes up in the middle of the desert, she has no idea who she is. She's wearing one shoe, a silky black dress, and she's carrying a strange, heavy case.



A Good Girl's Guide to Murder
by Holly Jackson

Five years ago Andie Bell was murdered by Sal Singh. The police know he did it. Everyone in town knows he did it. But having grown up in the same small town that was consumed by the crime, Pippa isn't so sure.



The Boy Lost in the Maze
by Joseph Coelho

In Ancient Greece Theseus makes a dangerous and courageous journey to find his father, finally meeting the Minotaur in the Labyrinth. While Theo, a modern-day teenage boy, finds himself on a maze-like quest to find his own father.



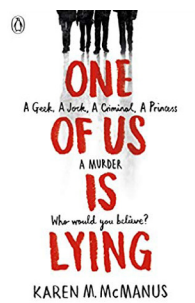
Little Bang
by Kelly McCaughrain

Beneath the New Year's Eve fireworks, shy science-nerd Mel and slacker songwriter Sid get pregnant on their first date. Any sixteen-year-olds would expect trouble - but this is Northern Ireland 2018, where abortion is still illegal.



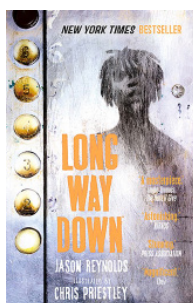
The Crossing
by Manjeet Mann

Natalie's world is falling apart. She's lost her mum and her brother is full of hate and anger. Swimming is her only refuge. Sammy's fled his home in Eritrea for the chance of a new life in Europe. A twist of fate brings them together.



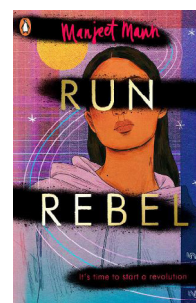
One Of Us Is Lying
by Karen M. McManus

One of Us Is Lying is the story of what happens when five strangers walk into detention and only four walk out alive. Everyone is a suspect, and everyone has something to hide. Pay close attention and you might solve this.



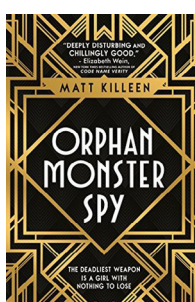
Long Way Down
by Jason Reynolds

Tells the story of an African American teen boy at a crossroads. Determined to avenge his 19-year-old brother's death, Will, age 15, takes his brother's gun to kill the person he's certain is the murderer, but it's a long way down in the elevator.



Run Rebel
by Manjeet Mann

I am restless, my feet need to fly. Amber is trapped - by her father's rules, by her own fears. Now she's ready to fight - for her mother, for her sister, for herself. Freedom always comes at a price.



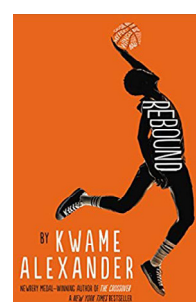
Orphan Monster Spy
by Matt Killeen

Set in Europe amidst World War II and follows a Jewish 15 year old girl named Sarah. After her mum is shot and killed at a checkpoint, Sarah is forced onto the streets alone and has no clue what the rest of her life holds.



The Midnight Library
by Matt Haig

When Nora Seed finds herself in the Midnight Library, she has a chance to make things right. Up until now, her life has been full of misery and regret. She feels she has let everyone down, including herself. But things are about to change.



Rebound
by Kwame Alexander

Charlie is packed off to stay with his grandparents for the summer. There his cousin Roxie introduces him to a whole new world: basketball. A legend on the courts is born. But can Charlie resist when trouble comes knocking once again?



Clap When You Land
by Elizabeth Acevedo

Camino Rios lives for the summers when her father visits her in the Dominican Republic. But this time, on the day when his plane is supposed to land, Camino arrives at the airport to see crowds of crying people...



Four Good Liars
by Sarah Wishart

Layla. Kai. Liam. Fliss. They have nothing in common, except they were all on the school bus the morning of the crash. Where they discovered the dead driver's holdall, containing one million pounds - and a gun.



Queen of Air and Darkness
by Cassandra Clare

Caught in a race against time, Emma and Julian must save the world of Shadowhunters before the deadly power of the parabatai curse destroys them and everyone they love.

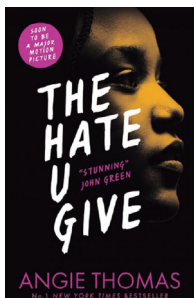


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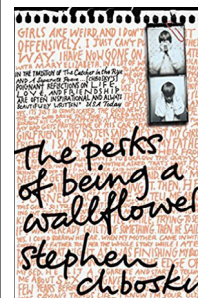
Everything Everything
by Nicola Yoon

Madeline suffers from a rare disease called SCID. She calls it 'bubble baby disease' because she lives in a metaphorical bubble; she's not allowed to leave her house. The only people she socialises with are her mother and her nurse.



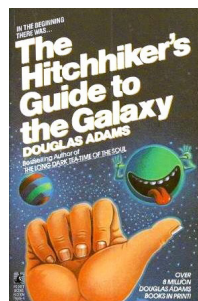
The Hate U Give
by Angie Thomas

The story follows events in the life of a 16-year-old black girl, Starr Carter, who is drawn to activism after she witnesses the police shooting of a childhood friend.



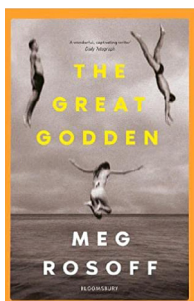
The Perks of Being a Wallflower
by Stephen Chbosky

Charlie is coping with the suicide of his friend, Michael. To lessen the fear and anxiety of starting high school, Charlie starts writing letters to a stranger, someone he heard was nice but has never met in person.



The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy
by Douglas Adams

Seconds before the Earth is demolished to make way for a galactic freeway, Arthur Dent is plucked off the planet by his friend Ford Prefect. This dynamic pair begin a journey through space.



The Great Godden
by Meg Rosoff

This is the story of one family, one dreamy summer when everything changes. In a holiday house by the sea one teenager watches as brothers and sisters, parents and older cousins fill hot days with wine and games and planning a wedding.

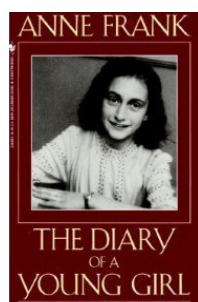


King of Nothing
by Nathanael Lessor

Anton and his friends are the kings of year 9. They're used to ruling the school. So when he gets into serious trouble at school, he doesn't really care, but his mum most definitely does. She decides it's time for Anton to make new friends and join the Happy Campers.

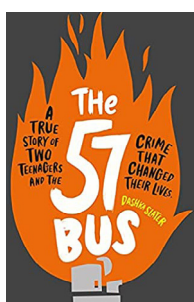
YEAR 9 NON FICTION

Autobiography, Plays, Poetry, Journalism



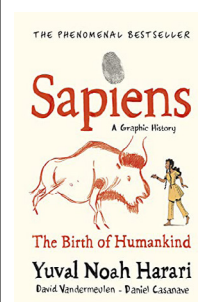
The Diary of a Young Girl
by Anne Frank

Anne Frank was a young Jewish girl living in Amsterdam during the Holocaust. She receives a diary for her birthday. Anne's diary begins at a crucial point in her life, and in the diary Anne depicts her life in hiding from the Nazis.



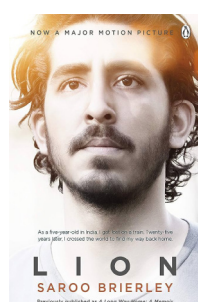
The 57 Bus
by Dashka Slater

One agender teenager in a skirt. One teenager with a lighter. One moment that changes both of their lives forever.



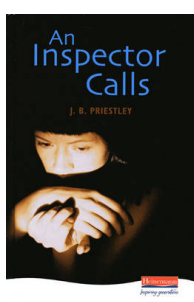
Sapiens: A Graphic History
by Yuval Noah Harari

In this adaptation of his ground-breaking book, historian Yuval Harari tells the story of humankind's creation and evolution, exploring the ways biology and history have defined us and enhanced our understanding of what it means to be "human".



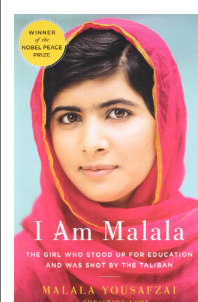
Lion
by Saroo Brierley

Five-year-old Saroo lived in a poor village in India, in a one-room hut with his mother and three siblings... until the day he boarded a train alone and got lost. For twenty-five years. This is the story of what happened to Saroo in those twenty-five years.



An Inspector Calls
by J.B. Priestley

A mysterious interrogator claims that he has seen the dead body of Eva Smith/ Daisy Renton earlier that day, and that he has been given "a duty" to investigate the Birling's responsibility for her death.



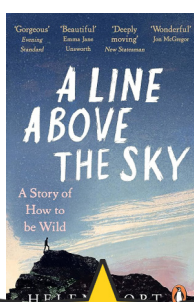
I am Malala
by Malala Yousafzai

When the Taliban took control of the Swat Valley in Pakistan, one girl spoke out. Malala Yousafzai refused to be silenced and fought for her right to an education.



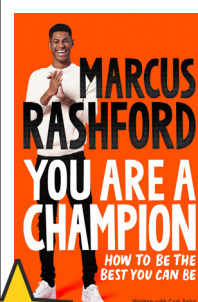
Lioness
by Beth Mead

Beth Mead is one of the world's most talented footballers. But long before this, Beth was just an ordinary kid from Hinderwell, North Yorkshire who wanted to play football.



A Line Above the Sky
by Helen Mort

As a child, Helen Mort was drawn to the thrill and risk of climbing, the tension between human and rockface. But when she becomes a mother for the first time, she finds herself re-examining this discipline.



You Are A Champion
by Marcus Rashford

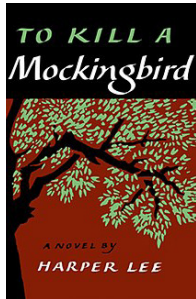
The nation's favourite footballer wants to show you how to achieve your dreams, in this positive and inspiring guide for life. Packed full of stories from Marcus's own life, brilliant advice and top-tips from performance psychologist Katie Warriner.



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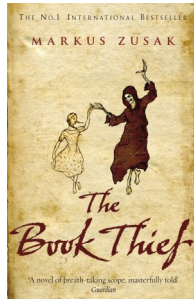
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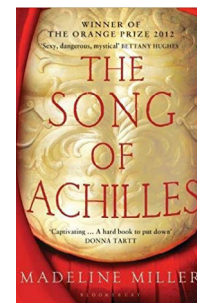
To Kill A Mockingbird
by Harper Lee

A novel of a childhood in a sleepy Southern town and the crisis of conscience that rocked it. The story takes readers to the roots of human behaviour - to innocence and experience, kindness and cruelty, love and hatred.



The Book Thief
by Markus Zusak

Narrated by Death who tells us about Liesel, a girl growing up in Germany during World War II. These are dangerous times. When Liesel's foster family hides a Jew in their basement, Liesel's world is both opened up, and closed down.



The Song of Achilles
by Madeline Miller

Profoundly moving and breathtakingly original, this rendering of the epic Trojan War is a dazzling feat of the imagination, a devastating love story, and an almighty battle between gods and kings, immortal fame and the human heart.



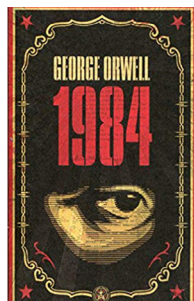
The Blue Book of Nebo
by Manon Steffan Ros

Dylan was six when The End came, back in 1818; when the electricity went off for good, and the 'normal' 21st century world he knew disappeared. Now he's 14 and he and his mam have survived by learning new skills, and returning to old ways of living.



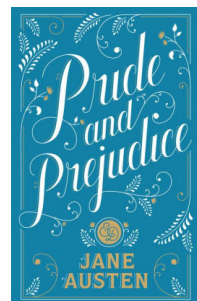
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1984
by George Orwell

Winston Smith wrestles with oppression in Oceania, a place where the Party scrutinizes human actions with ever-watchful Big Brother. Defying a ban on individuality, Winston dares to express his thoughts in a diary.



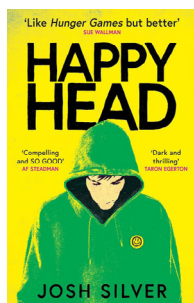
Pride and Prejudice
by Jane Austen

A novel about five sisters - Jane, Elizabeth, Mary, Kitty and Lydia Bennet - in Georgian England. Their lives are turned upside down when a wealthy young man (Mr. Bingley) and his best friend (Mr. Darcy) arrive in their neighbourhood.



The Fountains of Silence
by Ruta Sepetys

Daniel, young, wealthy and unsure of his place in the world, views the city through the lens of his camera. Ana, a maid whose family is suffering under a fascist dictatorship. Together they uncover hidden darkness within the city.



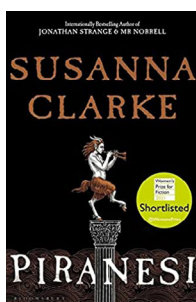
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Sally Heathcote Suffragette
by Mary M Talbot

A graphic novel, Suffragette is a gripping inside story of the campaign for the vote. A tale of loyalty, love and courage, it follows the fortunes of a maid-of-all-work swept up in the feminist militancy of the era.



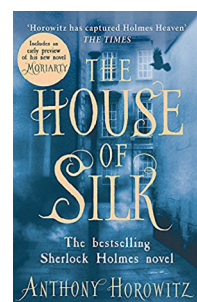
Piranesi
by Susanna Clarke

Piranesi's house is no ordinary building: its rooms are infinite, its corridors endless, its walls are lined with thousands upon thousands of statues, each one different from all the others. He lives to explore the house.



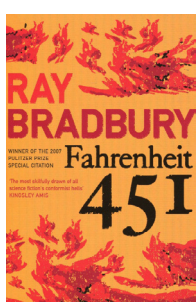
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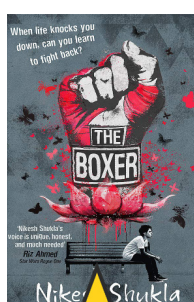
The House of Silk
by Anthony Horowitz

A fine art dealer visits Sherlock Holmes and Dr John Watson to beg for their help. He is being menaced by a strange man in a flat cap. In the days that follow, his home is robbed, his family is threatened. And then the first murder takes place.



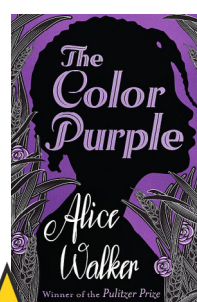
Fahrenheit 451
by Ray Bradbury

In an oppressive future, a fireman whose duty is to destroy all books begins to question his task. Guy lives in a lonely, isolated society where books have been outlawed by a government fearing an independent-thinking public.



The Boxer
by Nikes Shukla

Told over the course of the ten rounds of his first fight, this is the story of amateur boxer Sunny. Feeling isolated Sunny joins a boxing club to learn to protect himself after a racist attack.

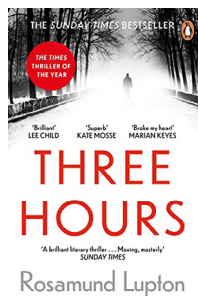


The Colour Purple
by Alice Walker

Celie, the protagonist and narrator, is a poor, uneducated, fourteen-year-old black girl living in rural Georgia. Celie starts writing letters to God because her father, Alphonso, beats and rapes her.

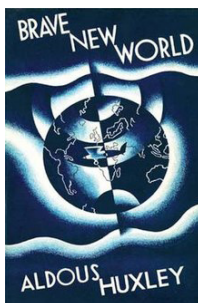


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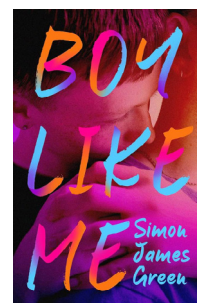
Three Hours
by Rosamund Lupton

In rural Somerset in the middle of a blizzard a school is under siege. Pupils and teachers barricade themselves into classrooms, the library, the theatre. The headmaster lies wounded in the library, unable to help his trapped students.



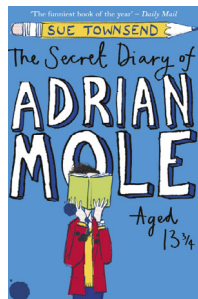
Brave New World
by Aldous Huxley

A dystopian novel largely set in a futuristic World State of genetically modified citizens. The novel anticipates huge scientific developments that are challenged by only by a single outsider.



Boy Like Me
by Simon James Green

It's 1994 and thanks to Section 28, there can be no mention of gay relationships in UK schools. When a kind librarian leads Jamie to a disguised novel that reflects his own confused feelings towards boys, Jamie sees that he's not the only one who has checked the book out.



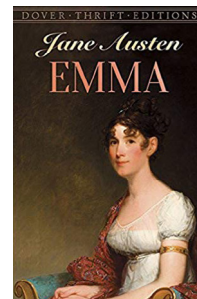
The Secret Diary of Adrian Mole
by Sue Townsend

Adrian is thirteen years old and an incredible worrier. 'The problems of existence' hit him hard, like spots, being in love and the relationship between his parents. He strongly believes he is an intellectual.



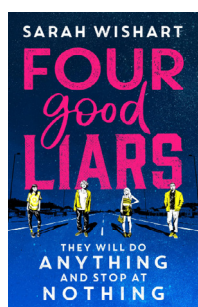
All That's Left in the World
by Erik J. Brown

When the Superflu wipes out most of the population, Jamie finds himself completely alone in a cabin in the woods - until an injured stranger crosses his path. Jamie takes him in, and soon their relationship starts to feel like more than just friendship ...



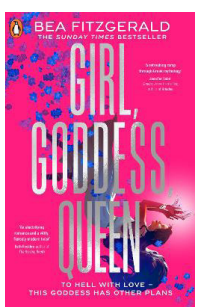
Emma
by Jane Austen

Although convinced that she herself will never marry, Emma Woodhouse, a precocious twenty-year-old resident of the village of Highbury, imagines herself to be naturally gifted in conjuring love matches.



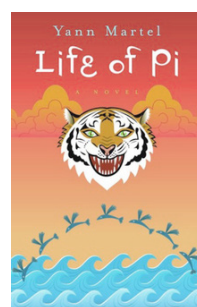
Four Good Liars
by Sarah Wishart

Layla. Kai. Liam. Fliss. They have nothing in common, except they were all on the school bus the morning of the crash. Where they discovered the dead driver's holdall, containing one million pounds - and a gun.



Girl, Goddess, Queen
by Bea Fitzgerald

Persephone wasn't taken to hell: she jumped. There was no way she was going to be married off to some smug god. Now all she has to do is convince the Underworld's Hades, to fall in line with her plan.



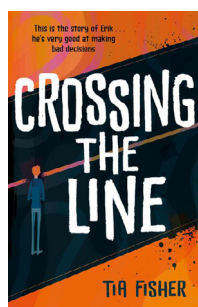
Life of Pi
by Yann Martel

The story of a young man who survives a shipwreck and months in a lifeboat with a large Bengal tiger named Richard Parker. Early in Pi's life, his father realises that his son's naiveté about the tiger may put Pi in danger.



The Midnight Library
by Matt Haig

When Nora Seed finds herself in the Midnight Library, she has a chance to make things right. Up until now, her life has been full of misery and regret. She feels she has let everyone down, including herself. But things are about to change.



Crossing the Line
by Tia Fisher

Erik's life has been falling apart. When Erik's bad behaviour attracts the wrong crowd, he's sucked into a terrifying new world of drug dealing, trap houses and violence.



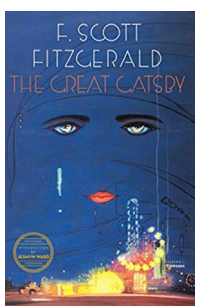
Scythe
by Neal Shusterman

In a world where disease, war and crime have been eliminated, the only way to die is to be randomly killed ("gleaned") by professional scythes. A dark, gripping and witty thriller.



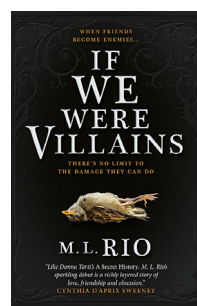
The Crossing
by Manjeet Mann

Natalie's world is falling apart. She's lost her mum and her brother is full of hate and anger. Swimming is her only refuge. Sammy's fled his home in Eritrea for the chance of a new life in Europe. A twist of fate brings them together.



The Great Gatsby
by F. Scott Fitzgerald

Set during the Jazz Age, this is an exquisitely crafted tale of an America in the 1920s. The story is of the fabulously wealthy Jay Gatsby and his love for the beautiful Daisy Buchanan and of lavish parties on Long Island.



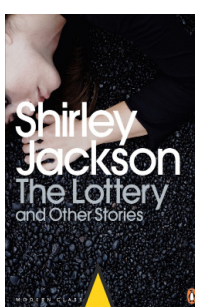
If We Were Villains
by M.L. Rio

Oliver Marks has just served ten years for the murder of one of his friends - a murder he may or may not have committed. On the day he's released, he's met by the detective who put him in prison and he wants to know what really happened ten years ago.



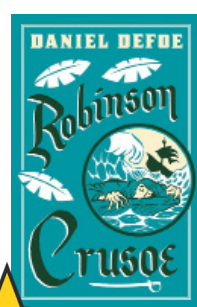
The Midnight Game
by Cynthia Murphy

When a group who have met on a creepy Dedit thread decide to meet in real life, they only have one plan in mind: they are going to summon the Midnight Man. And once you start the Midnight Game, you must finish it!



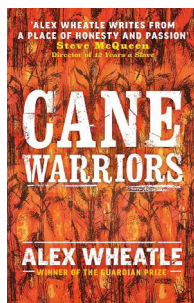
The Lottery and other Stories
by Shirley Jackson

A collection of short stories. Shirley Jackson's chilling tales have the power to unsettle and terrify unlike any other.



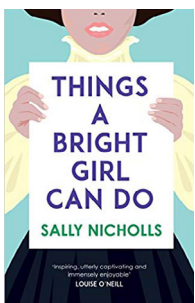
Robinson Crusoe
by Daniel Defoe

An English sailor is marooned on a desert island for nearly three decades. An ordinary man struggling to survive in extraordinary circumstances, Robinson Crusoe wrestles with fate and the nature of God.



Cane Warriors
by Alex Wheatle

Moa is fourteen. The only life he has ever known is toiling on the Frontier sugar cane plantation for endless hot days, fearing the vicious whips of the overseers. Then one night he learns of an uprising, led by the charismatic Tacky.



Things A Bright Girl Can Do
by Sally Nicholls

Through rallies and marches, in polite drawing rooms and freezing prison cells and the poverty-stricken slums of the East End, three courageous young women join the fight for the vote.



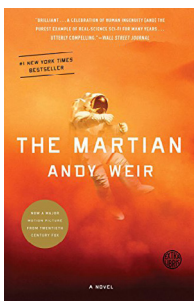
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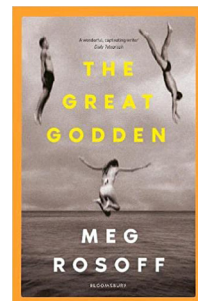
Little Bang
by Kelly McCaughrain

Beneath the New Year's Eve fireworks, shy science-nerd Mel and slacker songwriter Sid get pregnant on their first date. Any sixteen-year-olds would expect trouble – but this is Northern Ireland 2018, where abortion is still illegal.



The Martian
by Andy Weir

Mark Watney is an astronaut on the Ares 3 mission to Mars. The mission has to be aborted in a massive dust storm, in which Watney is stuck with a piece of a satellite and lost in the dust storm. His crew leaves him on Mars, believing him to be dead.

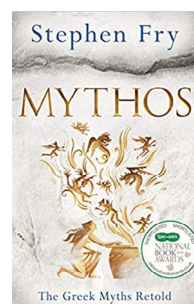


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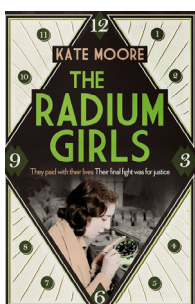
YEAR 10 NON FICTION

Autobiography, Plays, Poetry, Journalism



Mythos
by Stephen Fry

The Greek myths are the greatest stories ever told. They are embedded deeply in the traditions, tales and cultural DNA of the West. Stephen Fry's Mythos perfectly captures these stories for the modern age.



Radium Girls
by Kate Moore

During the First World War young American women flocked to work in factories, painting clocks, watches and military dials with a special luminous substance made from radium. Soon women began to suffer from mysterious and crippling illnesses.



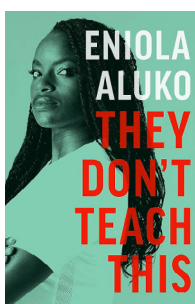
Agent Sonya
by Ben Macintyre

From planning an assassination attempt on Hitler, to preventing nuclear war (or so she believed) by stealing the science of atomic weaponry from Britain to give to Moscow, Ursula Kuczynski Burton conducted some of the most dangerous espionage operations of the twentieth century.



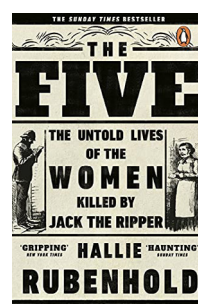
How Not To Be A Boy
by Robert Webb

Rules for being a man: Don't Cry; Love Sport; Play Rough; Drink Beer; Don't Talk About Feelings. But Robert Webb has been wondering for some time now: are those rules actually any use? To anyone?



They Don't Teach This
by Eniola Aluko

Eni Aluko: 102 appearances for England national football team. First female pundit on Match of the Day. UN Women UK ambassador. *They Don't Teach This* explores themes of dual nationality and identity, race and institutional prejudice, success, failure and faith.



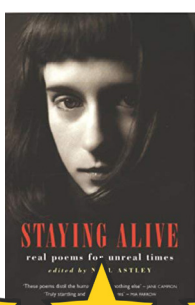
The Five
by Hallie Rubenhold

Five devastating human stories and a dark and moving portrait of Victorian London, filled with poverty, homelessness and rampant misogyny - the untold lives of the women killed by Jack the Ripper.



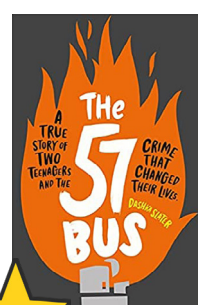
The Climate Book
by Greta Thunberg

Greta Thunberg's speeches shook the world. With *The Climate Book*, she has created an essential tool for everyone who wants to help save it.



Staying Alive
by Neil Astley

Staying Alive is an international anthology of 500 life-affirming poems fired by belief in the human and the spiritual at a time when much in the world feels unreal, inhuman and hollow.



The 57 Bus
by Dashka Slater

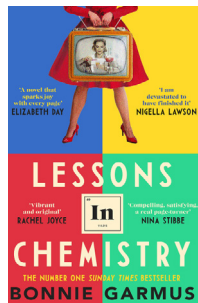
One agender teenager in a skirt. One teenager with a lighter. One moment that changes both of their lives forever.



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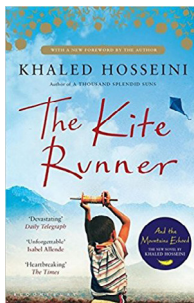
YEAR 11

You should read these!



Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus

Chemist Elizabeth Zott is not your average woman. In fact, Elizabeth Zott would be the first to point out that there is no such thing. But it's the early 1960s and her all-male team at Hastings Research Institute take a very unscientific view of equality.



The Kite Runner by Khaled Hosseini

Amir is the son of a wealthy merchant, Hassan is his servant and companion. So strong is the bond between the boys that Amir tries to right past wrongs against the only true friend he ever had.



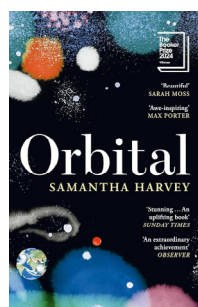
The Handmaid's Tale by Margaret Atwood

Offred is a Handmaid who lives in a dystopian world where women have lost all of their rights. Because of dangerously low reproduction rates, Handmaids are assigned to bear children for elite couples that have trouble conceiving.



Piranesi by Susanna Clarke

Piranesi's house is no ordinary building: its rooms are infinite, its corridors endless, its walls are lined with thousands upon thousands of statues, each one different from all the others. He lives to explore the house.



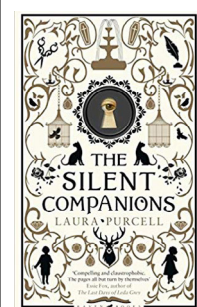
Orbital by Samantha Harvey

A team of astronauts in the International Space Station collect meteorological data, conduct scientific experiments and test the limits of the human body. They begin to ask, what is life without earth? What is earth without humanity?



Girl, Woman, Other by Bernardine Evaristo

Girl, Woman, Other follows the lives and struggles of twelve very different characters. Mostly women, black and British, they tell the stories of their families, friends and lovers, across the country and through the years.



The Silent Companions by Laura Purcell

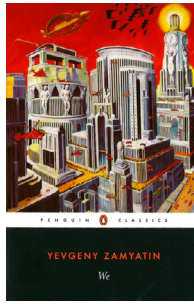
Some doors are locked for a reason...

With her new servants resentful and the local villagers actively hostile, Elsie only has her husband's awkward cousin for company. Or so she thinks.



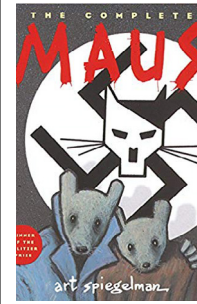
The Haunting of Hill House by Shirley Jackson

The story of four seekers who arrive at the notoriously unfriendly Hill House. At first, their stay seems destined to be merely a spooky encounter with inexplicable phenomena. But Hill House soon will choose one of them to make its own.



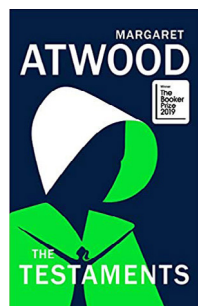
We by Yevgeny Zamyatin

The dystopian novel that inspired George Orwell's 1984. In a glass-enclosed city, ruled by the 'Benefactor', the citizens of the totalitarian society of OneState live out lives devoid of passion and creativity - until D-503, makes a discovery.



Maus by Art Spiegelman

Using animals to portray history, the graphic novel *Maus* is a rich and engaging story. It follows the authors parents' story in Poland during the 1930's, and describes their experiences as the Nazis invaded and persecuted the Jewish population.



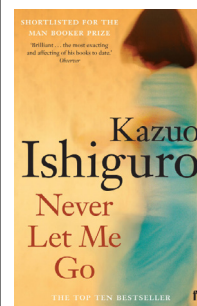
The Testaments by Margaret Atwood

Margaret Atwood's sequel to *The Handmaid's Tale* picks up the story more than fifteen years after Offred stepped into the unknown, with the explosive testaments of three female narrators from Gilead.



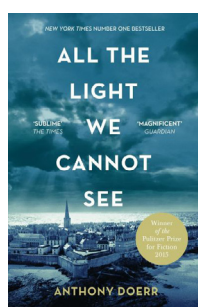
Oranges Are Not the Only Fruit by Jeanette Winterson

Jeanette is adopted and brought up by her mother as one of God's elect. Zealous and passionate, she seems destined for life as a missionary, but then she falls for one of her converts.



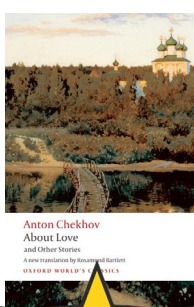
Never Let Me Go by Kazuo Ishiguro

Never Let Me Go is set in a dystopian world in which human clones are created so that they can donate their organs as young adults. The novel follows the life story of Kathy, a clone who is raised at a boarding school for future "donors."



All The Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr

This story is about a blind French girl and a German boy whose paths collide in occupied France as both try to survive the devastation of World War II.



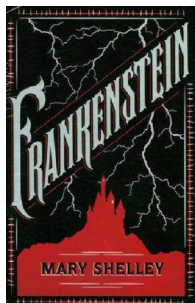
About Love by Anton Chekhov

Three short stories; "A Man in a Shell" is a grotesque Gogolian comedy; "Gooseberries," a narrator's impassioned response; and "About Love," a poignant story of failed relationships.



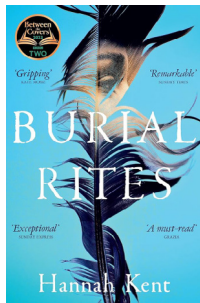
Long Island by Colm Toibin

A man with an Irish accent knocks on Ellis Fiorello's door on Long Island and in that moment everything changes. This stranger will reveal something that will make Ellis question the life she has created.



Frankenstein
by Mary Shelley

A Gothic thriller, a passionate romance, and a cautionary tale about the dangers of science, Frankenstein tells the story of committed science student Victor Frankenstein. Frankenstein assembles a human being from stolen body parts.



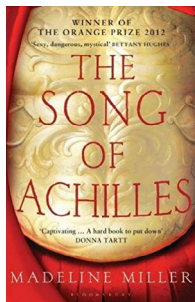
Burial Rites
by Hannah Kent

Iceland, 1829 – Agnes Magnúsdóttir is condemned to death for her part in the murder of her lover. Agnes is sent to wait out her final months on the farm of officer Jón Jónsson and his family who are horrified to have a convicted murderer in their midst.



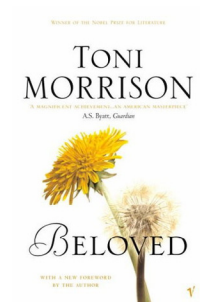
Norwegian Wood
by Murakami

Toru Watanabe hears an orchestral cover of the Beatles' song "Norwegian Wood", and he is suddenly overwhelmed by feelings of loss and nostalgia. He thinks back to the 1960s, when so much happened that touched his life.



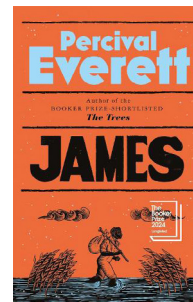
The Song of Achilles
by Madeline Miller

Profoundly moving and breathtakingly original, this rendering of the epic Trojan War is a dazzling feat of the imagination, a devastating love story, and an almighty battle between gods and kings, immortal fame and the human heart.



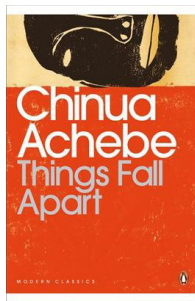
Beloved
by Toni Morrison

Sethe, a former slave, has been living with her eighteen-year-old daughter Denver. Sethe believes they fled home because of the malevolent presence of an abusive ghost that has haunted their house at 124 Bluestone Road for years.



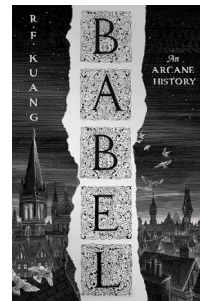
James
by Percival Everett

A reimagining of Mark Twain's Adventures of Huckleberry Finn. When the enslaved Jim overhears that he is about to be sold to a new owner in New Orleans and separated from his wife and daughter forever, he decides to hide on nearby Jackson's Island until he can formulate a plan.



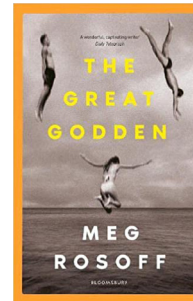
Things Fall Apart
by Chinua Achebe

Okonkwo is the greatest wrestler and warrior alive, and his fame spreads throughout West Africa like a bush-fire. But when he accidentally kills a clansman, things begin to fall apart.



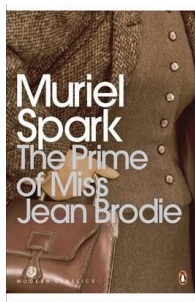
Babel
by R.F. Kuang

1828. Robin Swift, orphaned by cholera, is brought to London by the mysterious Professor Lovell. There, he trains for years in Latin, Ancient Greek, and Chinese, all in preparation to enroll in Oxford University's Royal Institute of Translation—also known as Babel.



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The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie
by Muriel Spark

It is the early 1930s. At a school located in Edinburgh, a class of ten-year-old girls begins two years of instruction with Miss Jean Brodie, a charismatic teacher who claims again and again to be in her "prime."



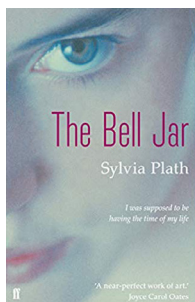
The Memory Police
by Yoko Ogawa

To the people on the island, a disappeared thing no longer has any meaning. It can be burned in the garden, thrown in the river or handed over to the Memory Police. Soon enough, the island forgets it ever existed.



Giovanni's Room
by James Baldwin

When David meets Giovanni in a bohemian bar, he is swept into a love affair. But his girlfriend's return to Paris destroys everything. David pretends the liaison never happened – while Giovanni's life descends into tragedy.



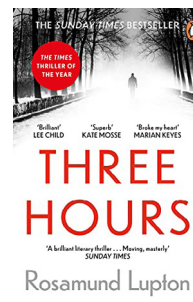
The Bell Jar
by Sylvia Plath

This thinly veiled autobiography details the life of Esther Greenwood, a college woman who struggles through a mental breakdown in the 1950s. With the pressure of marriage and the passé New York night life, what will become of Esther?



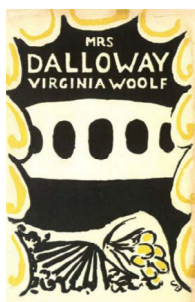
A Clockwork Orange
by Anthony Burgess

A nightmare vision of the future, where criminals take over after dark, the story is told by the central character, Alex, who talks in a brutal invented slang that brilliantly renders his and his friends' social pathology.



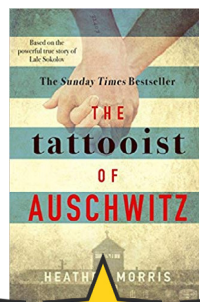
Three Hours
by Rosamund Lupton

In rural Somerset in the middle of a blizzard a school is under siege. Pupils and teachers barricade themselves into classrooms, the library, the theatre. The headmaster lies wounded in the library. Outside, a police psychiatrist must identify the gunmen, while parents gather desperate for news.



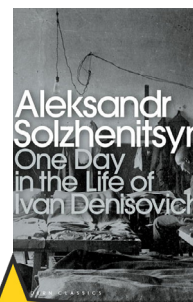
Mrs Dalloway
by Virginia Woolf

Mrs. Dalloway chronicles a June day in the life of Clarissa Dalloway, a day that is taken up with running minor errands in preparation for a party and that is punctuated, toward the end, by the suicide of a young man she has never met.



The Tattooist of Auschwitz
by Heather Morris

It was while tattooing 18-year-old Gita that he looked into her eyes and fell hopelessly in love. The Tattooist of Auschwitz is their story, a story of beauty, hope, courage and survival against the odds.

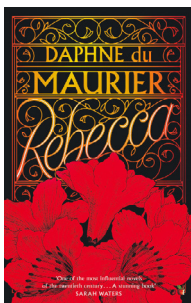


One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich
by Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn

The story of labour-camp inmate Ivan Denisovich Shukhov, it graphically describes his struggle to maintain his dignity in the face of communist oppression.

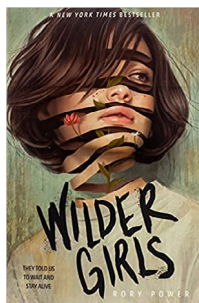


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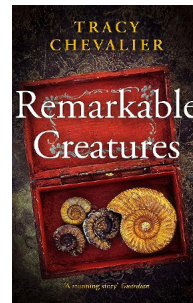
Rebecca
by Daphne du Maurier

As they arrive at her husband's home, Manderley, a change comes over Maxim, and the young bride is filled with dread. Friendless in the isolated mansion, she realises that she barely knows him. In every corner of every room is the phantom of his beautiful first wife, Rebecca...



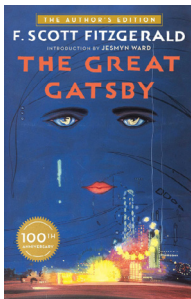
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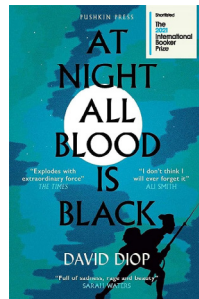
Remarkable Creatures
by Tracy Chevalier

In the early nineteenth century, a windswept beach along the English coast brims with fossils for those with the eye... When Mary Anning uncovers unknown dinosaur fossils in the cliffs near her home, she sets the scientific world alight.



The Great Gatsby
by F. Scott Fitzgerald

Jay Gatsby is the man who has everything. Everybody who is anybody is seen at his glittering parties. Day and night his mansion buzzes with drinking, dancing and debating his mysterious character. But beneath the shimmering surface of his life he is hiding a secret...



At Night All Blood is Black
by David Diop

Alfa and Mademba are Senegalese soldiers fighting in the Great War. Together they attack France's German enemies whenever the whistle blows, until Mademba is wounded, and dies in a shell hole. Now Alfa is alone and lost amidst the savagery of the conflict.

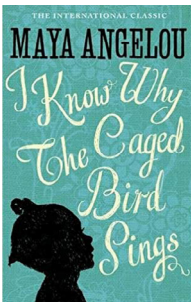


Spring
by Ali Smith

Ali Smith's latest novel turns its gaze on the migrant crisis and the rise of nationalism. It burns with moral urgency at the same time as feeling timeless and playful.

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I Know Why The Caged Bird Sings
by Maya Angelou

Sent by their mother to live with their devout, self-sufficient grandmother in a small Southern town, Maya and her brother, Bailey, endure the ache of abandonment and the prejudice of the local "powhitetrash."



Positive News Magazine

Positive News is a constructive journalism magazine. It publishes independent journalism and aims to help create a more inspiring news medium.



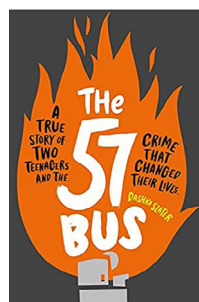
Outlaw Ocean
by Ian Urbina

From traffickers, smugglers and pirates to vigilante conservationists, stowaways and seabound abortion-providers, Ian Urbina introduces us to the inhabitants of this hidden world and their risk-fraught lives.



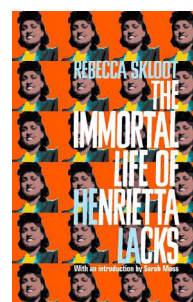
She is Fierce
by Ana Sampson

A powerful collection of 150 poems written by women – from classic, much loved poets to bold modern voices. Collected by Ana Sampson, this collection celebrates the centenary of women's suffrage.



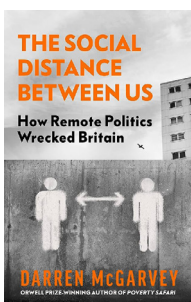
The 57 Bus
by Dashka Slater

One agender teenager in a skirt. One teenager with a lighter. One moment that changes both of their lives forever.



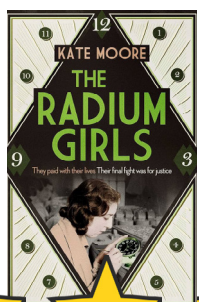
The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks
by Rebecca Skloot

Her name was Henrietta Lacks, but scientists know her as HeLa. Born a poor black farmer, her cancer cells – taken without her knowledge – became a multimillion-dollar industry and one of the most important tools in medicine.



The Social Distance Between Us
by Darren McGarvey

Why are the rich getting richer while the poor only get poorer? How come, if all the best people are in all the top jobs, Britain is such an unmitigated bin fire? Join Darren McGarvey on a journey through a divided Britain in search of answers.



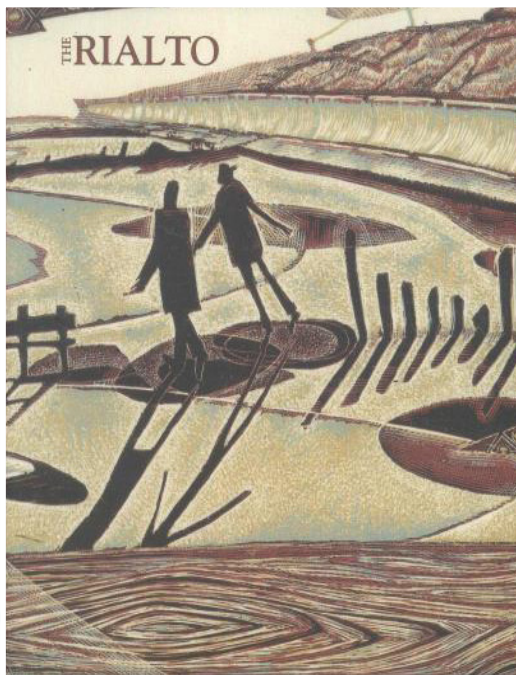
Radium Girls
by Kate Moore

During the First World War young American women flocked to work in factories, painting clocks, watches and military dials with a special luminous substance made from radium. Soon women began to suffer from mysterious and crippling illnesses.



Agent Sonya
by Ben Macintyre

From planning an assassination attempt on Hitler, to preventing nuclear war (or so she believed) by stealing the science of atomic weaponry from Britain to give to Moscow, Ursula Kuczynski Burton conducted some of the most dangerous espionage operations of the twentieth century.



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