

### Rebel Talent

Why it Pays to Break the Rules at Work and in Life

Francesca Gino

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Non-Fiction > Business, Finance & Management > Personal Success

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An award-winning Harvard Business School professor's practical guide to unleashing your inner rebel - perfect for anyone who has ever sat despairing in a meeting room as everyone agrees to do the wrong thing.

'Great stories, great science, and great practical advice about how, when, and why to break the rules' **Angela Duckworth**, international bestselling author of *Grit* 

Award-winning Harvard Business School professor and behavioural scientist Francesca Gino shows us why happiest and most successful among us are those who break the rules and how we can all do it more.

The world's best chef.

The pilot who landed his plane on a river.

The magician who made history.

The computer scientist who changed animated films forever.

What do they all have in common?

They are all rebels.

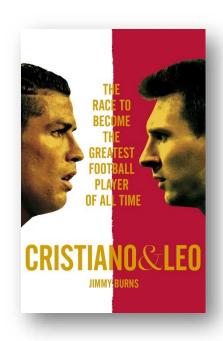
Francesca Gino has been studying rebellion and conformity for more than fifteen years. She has discovered that when we mindlessly follow rules and norms rather than constructively rebelling against them, we become less happy and less successful in every area of our lives. While rebels may seem disruptive, they are ultimately good for business: their passion, drive, curiosity and creativity can raise organizations to a new level.

When we break the rules, we fix our lives.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Francesca Gino** is an award-winning researcher and the Tandon Family Professor of Business Administration at Harvard Business School. Her consulting and speaking clients include Bacardi, Akamai, Disney, Goldman Sachs, Honeywell, Novartis, P&G, and the U.S. Air Force, Army, and Navy. She has been honored as one of the world's Top 40 Business Professors under 40 by Poets & Quants and one of the world's 50 most influential management thinkers by Thinkers 50. Her work has been featured on *CNN* and NPR, as well as in the *Economist, Financial Times, New York Times, Newsweek, Scientific American*, and *Psychology Today*.





### Cristiano and Leo

The Race to Become the Greatest Football Player of All Time

Jimmy Burns

9781509849130

Non-Fiction > Autobiographies, Biographies & Memoirs>
Sports

Macmillan | Rs 599 | 312pp | TPB | Royal May 31, 2018

The definitive account of the world-shaping rivalry between Cristiano Ronaldo and Lionel Messi and their ongoing competition to be the greatest football player of all time

Ask any football fan who's better, Ronaldo or Messi and they'll have an opinion.

Football is a team game. It's virtually unheard of to have the sort of focused, one on one rivalries that dominate individual sports. But for the best part of the last decade football has seen a personal rivalry unlike any seen before. Cristiano and Leo. This is their definitive story, from children kicking a ball halfway around the world from each other to their era-defining rivalry.

One the preening adonis, a precision physical machine who blows teams away with his pace and power. The other a shuffling genius, able to do things with a football that seem other-worldly. Their differences seem to tap into something fundamental about football and indeed life.

Between them they have scored over a thousand goals, won the Ballon d'Or nine times and redefined modern football. For the past eight seasons they have shared the accolade of best footballer in the world and arguments rage over which one deserves the title of greatest player of all time. *Cristiano and Leo* by journalist and author Jimmy Burns is the essential book to understand the defining players of a generation.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Jimmy Burns** is an award winning journalist and author, who wrote the internationally acclaimed *Hand of God: A biography of Diego Maradona*.



# **Butterfly**

From Refugee to Olympian, My Story of Rescue, Hope and Triumph

Yusra Mardini

9781509881680

Non-Fiction > Autobiographies, Biographies & Memoirs

Bluebird | Rs 599 | 256pp | TPB | Royal May 3, 2018

The awe-inspiring true story of Yusra Mardini, Syrian refugee and Olympic swimmer

"Being a refugee is not a choice. Our choice is to die at home or risk death trying to escape." - Yusra Mardini

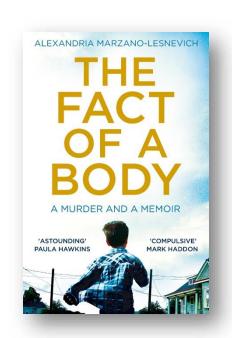
Yusra Mardini fled her native Syria to the Turkish coast in 2015 and boarded a small dinghy full of refugees bound for Greece. When the small and overcrowded boat's engine cut out, it began to sink. Yusra, her sister and two others took to the water, pushing the boat for three and a half hours in open water until they eventually landed on Lesbos, saving the lives of the passengers aboard.

*Butterfly* is the story of that remarkable woman, whose journey started in a war-torn suburb of Damascus and took her through Europe to Berlin and from there to the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro. Yusra Mardini is an athlete, one of *People* magazine's twenty-five women changing the world, a UNHCR Goodwill Ambassador and one of *Time* Magazine's thirty most influential teens of 2016.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Yusra Mardini** is an Olympic swimmer and Syrian refugee who, in 2015, fled her hometown of Damascus when it became too dangerous to live in the war-torn country. In 2016 Mardini swam with the Refugee Olympic Team and was subsequently named the youngest ever UNHCR Goodwill Ambassador. The Malala Fund named Yusra in their list of Game Changers and she is also one of the hundred women featured in *Goodnight Stories for Rebel Girls*. She lives in Berlin where she continues to train and compete internationally.





# The Fact of a Body

A Gripping True Crime Murder Investigation

Alexandria Marzano-Lesnevich
9781509805648

**Non-Fiction > True Crime** 

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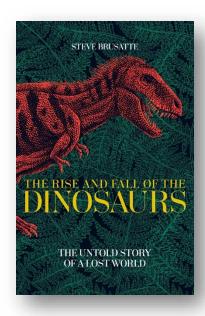
The gripping true story of a young law student, an unspeakable crime and a past that refuses to stay buried.

When law student Alexandria Marzano-Lesnevich is asked to work on a death-row hearing for convicted murderer and child molester Ricky Langley, she finds herself thrust into the tangled story of his childhood. As she digs deeper and deeper into the case she realizes that, despite their vastly different circumstances, something in his story is unsettlingly, uncannily familiar.

The Fact of a Body is both an enthralling memoir and a groundbreaking, heart-stopping investigation into how the law is personal, composed of individual stories, and proof that arriving at the truth is more complicated, and powerful, than we could ever imagine.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Alexandria Marzano-Lesnevich** is a 2014 National Endowment for the Arts Fellow in creative writing, an award given for her work on *The Fact of a Body*. Other honours in support of this, her first book, include a Rona Jaffe Award, a scholarship to the Bread Loaf Writer's Conference, as well as fellowships to the MacDowell Colony, Millay Colony for the Arts, Blue Mountain Center and Yaddo. Her essays and short fiction have appeared in the *New York Times, Oxford American, Salon* and the anthology *True Crime*. She has a JD from Harvard, an MFA from Emerson and a BA from Columbia University. Alexandria currently lives in Cambridge, Massachusetts, where she teaches memoir writing at Grub Street and also teaches graduate public policy students at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government.



### The Rise and Fall of the Dinosaurs

The Untold Story of a Lost World

Steve Brusatte

9781509830077

Non-Fiction > Science & Technology

Macmillan | Rs 699 | 416pp | TPB | Royal May 3, 2018

Before there were Homo sapiens there were the dinosaurs. A thrilling re-evaluation of the creatures that ruled the earth for 150 million years by one of the world's leading paleontologists.

Sixty-six million years ago the dinosaurs were wiped from the face of the earth. Today, Dr. Steve Brusatte, one of the leading scientists of a new generation of dinosaur hunters, armed with cutting edge technology, is piecing together the complete story of how the dinosaurs ruled the earth for 150 million years.

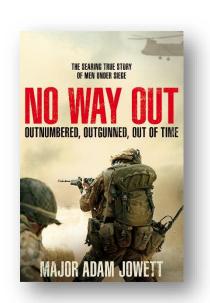
The Rise and Fall of the Dinosaurs is a hugely ambitious and engrossing story of how dinosaurs rose to dominate the planet, written by one of the world's leading palaeontologists. Using fossil clues that have been with state-of-the-art technology, Steve Brusatte traces these magnificent creatures from the Triassic period at the start of their evolution, through the Jurassic period, to their final catastrophic days in the Cretaceous and the legacy that they left behind.

Along the way, Brusatte introduces a cast of new dinosaur hunters and gives an insight into what being a palaeontologist is really like. He offers thrilling accounts of some of the most remarkable discoveries he has made, including primitive, human-size tyrannosaurs, monstrous carnivores even larger than a *T. rex* and feathered raptor dinosaurs from China buried in volcanic ash. At a time when *Homo sapiens* has existed for less than 200,000 years and we are already talking about planetary extinction, *The Rise and Fall of the Dinosaurs* is a timely reminder of what humans can learn from the magnificent creatures who ruled the earth before us.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Dr Steve Brusatte** is a paleontologist on the faculty of the School of GeoSciences at the University of Edinburgh in Scotland. He grew up in the Midwestern United States and has a BS in Geophysical Sciences from the University of Chicago, MSc in Palaeobiology from the University of Bristol (UK), and PhD in Earth and Environmental Sciences from Columbia University in New York. At age thirty-one, Steve is widely recognized as one of the leading paleontologists of his generation. He has written over one hundred peer-reviewed scientific papers during his decade of research in the field, named and described over ten new species of dinosaurs, and led groundbreaking studies on how dinosaurs rose to dominance and went extinct. One of his particular research interests is the evolutionary transition between dinosaurs and birds and he is a noted specialist on the anatomy, genealogy, and evolution of the carnivorous dinosaurs like Tyrannosaurus and Velociraptor.





## No Way Out

The Searing True Story of Men Under Siege

Adam Jowett

9781509864720

Non-Fiction > Autobiographies, Biographies & Memoirs>
Military

Sidgwick & Jackson | Rs 699 | 320pp | TPB | Royal May 03, 2018

The gritty, searing true story of a British company under siege in Afghanistan - outnumbered, outgunned and out of time.

'Fiercely immersive. Truly heroic.' Tom Marcus, bestselling author of Soldier Spy

'Vivid and brilliantly written: a pulsating account of the battle for Musa Qala, the Rorke's Drift of our times.' Martin Bell, OBE, war reporter

In Helmand province in July 2006, Major Adam Jowett was given command of Easy Company, a hastily assembled and under-strength unit of Paras and Royal Irish rangers. Their mission was to hold the District Centre of Musa Qala at any cost. Easy Company found themselves in a ramshackle compound, cut off and heavily outnumbered by the Taliban in the town.

In *No Way Out*, Adam evokes the heat and chaos of battle as the Taliban hit Easy Company with wave after wave of brutal attack. He describes what it was like to have responsibility for the lives of his men as they fought back heroically over twenty-one days and nights of relentless, nerve-shredding combat. Finally, as they came down to their last rounds and death stared Easy Company in the face, the siege took an extraordinary turn . . .

Powerful, highly-charged and moving, *No Way Out* is Adam's tribute to the men of Easy Company who paid a heavy price for serving their country.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Major Adam Jowett** is a hugely experienced career soldier who joined the army in 1991, receiving a commission into the Grenadier Guards. He transferred to the elite Parachute Regiment in 1998 and has served in Bosnia, Kosovo, Sierra Leone, Liberia and two tours of Afghanistan. Adam has found himself in appointments ranging from company commander at war to defence attaché with the Foreign Office in Eastern Europe.





### The Cast

Danielle Steel

9781509897117

**Fiction > General Fiction** 

Pan | Rs 399 | 288pp | PB | B Format May 17, 2018

Inspirational and uplifting, *The Cast* is a celebration of the resilience, imagination and creativity of women.

The Cast is an irresistible celebration of the strength of women, finding the courage to persevere in life's drama of heartbreak and joy, by the world's favourite storyteller, Danielle Steel.

Kait Whittier has built her magazine column into a hugely respected read followed by fans across the country. She loves her work and adores her grown children, treasuring the time they spend together. But after two marriages, she prefers to avoid the complications and uncertainties of a new love.

Then, after a chance meeting with television producer Zack Winter, everything changes. Inspired by the true story of her own grandmother, Kait creates the storyline for a TV series. Within weeks, Kait is plunged into a colourful, star-studded world of actors and industry pros who will bring her vision to life, from the reclusive grand dame to LA's hottest bad boy actor.

As secrets are shared and revelations come to light, friendships deepen. But in the midst of this charmed year, Kait is forced to confront the greatest challenge a mother could ever know and this unforgettable cast becomes more important to her than she ever could have imagined.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Danielle Steel** has been hailed as one of the world's most popular authors, with nearly a billion copies of her novels sold. Her recent many international bestsellers including *The Duchess, The Right Time* and *Fairytale*. She is also the author of *His Bright Light*, the story of her son Nick Traina's life and death; *A Gift of Hope*, a memoir of her work with the homeless; and the children's books *Pretty Minnie in Paris* and *Pretty Minnie in Hollywood*. Danielle divides her time between Paris and her home in northern California.





# The Sparsholt Affair

Alan Hollinghurst 9781447208228

Fiction > General Fiction

Picador | Rs 450 | 448pp | PB | B Format May 03, 2018

The Sparsholt Affair is the long-awaited sixth novel from the supreme stylist of British fiction and previous winner of the Man Booker Prize. From Oxford during the dark days of the Second World War to contemporary London, this is a masterly novel about sexuality, art and family secrets.

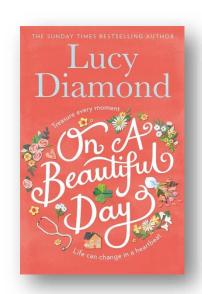
In October 1940, the handsome young David Sparsholt arrives in Oxford. A keen athlete and oarsman, he at first seems unaware of the effect he has on others - particularly on the lonely and romantic Evert Dax, son of a celebrated novelist and destined to become a writer himself. While the Blitz rages in London, Oxford exists at a strange remove: an ephemeral, uncertain place, in which nightly blackouts conceal secret liaisons. Over the course of one momentous term, David and Evert forge an unlikely friendship that will colour their lives for decades to come . . .

Alan Hollinghurst's masterly new novel evokes the intimate relationships of a group of friends bound together by art, literature and love across three generations. It explores the social and sexual revolutions of the most pivotal years of the past century, whose life-changing consequences are still being played out to this day. Richly observed, disarmingly witty and emotionally charged, *The Sparsholt Affair* is an unmissable achievement from one of our finest writers.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Alan Hollinghurst** is the author of several novels including *The Swimming-Pool Library, The Folding Star, The Spell, The Line of Beauty* and *The Stranger's Child.* He has received the Somerset Maugham Award, the James Tait Black Memorial Prize for Fiction and the 2004 Man Booker Prize. He lives in London.





## On a Beautiful Day

Lucy Diamond 9781509851065

Fiction > General Fiction

Pan | Rs 399 | 496pp | PB | B Format May 31, 2018

An inspiring and uplifting novel from the bestselling author of *The Secrets of Happiness* and *The House of New Beginnings*.

Treasure every moment. Life can change in a heartbeat.

'A new Lucy Diamond book is one of the happiest highlights of my calendar' Katie Fforde, bestselling author of *A Country Escape* 

It's a beautiful day in Manchester and four friends are meeting for a birthday lunch. But then they witness a shocking accident just metres away which acts as a catalyst for each of them.

For Laura, it's a wake-up call to heed the ticking of her biological clock. Sensible Jo finds herself throwing caution to the wind in a new relationship. Eve, who has been trying to ignore the worrying lump in her breast, feels helpless and out of control. And happy-go-lucky India is drawn to one of the victims of the accident, causing long-buried secrets to rise to the surface.

This is a novel about the startling and unexpected turns life can take. It's about luck - good and bad - and about finding bravery and resilience when your world is in turmoil. Above all, it's about friendship, togetherness and hope.

Praise for Lucy Diamond:

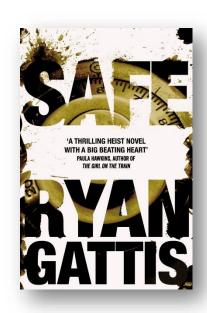
'A hugely satisfying read' *Heat* 

'Full of emotion and insight - it really makes you think' Katie Fforde, bestselling author of *A Summer at Sea* 'Warm, witty and wise' *Daily Mail* 

On a Beautiful Day is an uplifting and inspiring novel from bestselling author Lucy Diamond

#### **Author Bio:**

**Lucy Diamond** lives in Bath with her husband and their three children. She has written many bestselling novels, including *The Secrets of Happiness, Summer at Shell Cottage* and *The Year of Taking Chances*.



### **SAFE**

**Ryan Gattis** 

9781509843787

Fiction > General Fiction

Picador | Rs 399 | 320pp | PB | B Format May 17, 2018

From the acclaimed author of the remarkable *All Involved*, an LA noir thriller full of twists and turns, a cat and mouse chase between two narrators, where nothing is quite what it seems.

Set in LA against the backdrop of the 2008 financial crash, this is the story of Rudy Reyes (a.k.a. Glasses), a gangster-turned-double-agent who wants out of the high-stakes high-risk criminal life, and Ricky Mendoza, Junior (a.k.a. Ghost), a DEA safe-cracker with terminal cancer who's got nothing to lose. When Ghost goes rogue and steals thousands of dollars from a safe that belongs to Rooster, an LA crime lord who happens to be Glasses' boss, he endangers a deal Glasses had with a DEA official. As Ghost sets out to steal as much money as he can get his hands on - all with the plan to give it to those hit hardest by the crash - and Rooster gets ever closer to catching him, Glasses tries desperately to keep his plans on track.

Fast-paced and gritty, *Safe* is both a moving and human morality tale and an utterly immersive and heart-stoppingly suspenseful thriller.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Ryan Gattis** is the author of *Kung Fu* and *All Involved*, which won the American Library Association's Alex Award and the Lire Award for Noir of the Year in France. Gattis lives and writes in Los Angeles, where he is a member of the street art crew UGLARworks and a founding board member of 1888, a Southern California literary arts non-profit.





### The Favourite Sister

Jessica Knoll 9781509839520

Fiction > Crime, Mystery & Thrillers

Macmillan | Rs 599 | 352pp | TPB | Royal May 17, 2018

# The next gripping psychological thriller from the bestselling author of *Luckiest Girl Alive*, Jessica Knoll.

From the author of the bestselling debut novel of 2015 *Luckiest Girl Alive* comes Jessica Knoll's new thriller, featuring a pair of competitive and uber-successful sisters whose secrets and lies result in murder. Brett and Kelly Courtney are the shining jewels in a New York-based reality TV show called *Goal Diggers*. One of the most popular shows on American national television, its fiercely competitive cast of five self-made women are defined by their success, beauty and ruthless drive to reach the top by whatever means necessary.

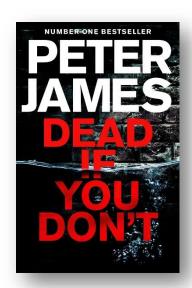
The Courtney sisters' rivalry goes skin deep despite the blossoming business they have built together that helps disadvantaged women in Morocco. Harbouring bitter jealousies and dark secrets about their manufactured screen lives they're joined by three other hyper-competitive women who all have their own agendas. And the latest season promises sparks to fly in the quest for even higher ratings.

Vicious backstabbing, scathing social media attacks and finely-tuned scripting draw in the viewing public every week, all orchestrated by the show's omnipotent producers. But even they don't know that season 4 will end in murder...

#### **Author Bio:**

**Jessica Knoll** has been a senior editor at *Cosmopolitan* and the articles editor at *SELF*. She grew up in the suburbs of Philadelphia and graduated from The Shipley School in Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania, and from Hobart and William Smith Colleges in Geneva, New York. She lives in New York City with her husband. Her first book, *Luckiest Girl Alive*, was a bestselling novel.





### Dead If You Don't

**Peter James** 

9781509816361

Fiction > Crime, Mystery & Thrillers

Macmillan | Rs 599 | 400pp | TPB | Royal May 17, 2018

The 14th Detective Superintendent Roy Grace novel from the highly acclaimed number one bestselling author, Peter James.

#### A PARENT'S WORST NIGHTMARE IS GRACE'S DEADLIEST CASE ...

Roy Grace, creation of the CWA Diamond Dagger award winning author Peter James, faces his most complex case yet in *Dead If You Don't*.

Kipp Brown, successful businessman and compulsive gambler, is having the worst run of luck of his life. He's beginning to lose big style. However, taking his teenage son, Mungo, to their club's big Saturday afternoon football match should have given him a welcome respite, if only for a few hours. But it' at the stadium where his nightmare begins.

Within minutes of arriving at the game, Kipp bumps into a client. He takes his eye of Mungo for a few moments, and in that time, the boy is gone. Then he gets the terrifying message that someone has his child, and to get him back alive, Kipp will have to pay.

Defying instruction not to contact the police, Kipp reluctantly does just that, and Detective Superintendent Roy Grace is brought into investigate. At first it seems a straightforward case of kidnap. But rapidly Grace finds himself entering a dark, criminal underbelly of the city, where the rules are different and nothing is what it seems . . .

#### **Author Bio:**

**Peter James** is the international bestselling author of many award-winning novels. His Detective Superintendent Roy Grace series, set in Brighton, has been translated into thirty-seven languages with worldwide sales of over nineteen million copies, and has given him twelve consecutive *Sunday Times* number ones. In 2015 WHSmith customers publicly voted him the Greatest Crime Author of All Time and in 2016 he became the recipient of the coveted CWA Diamond Dagger lifetime achievement award for sustained excellence. Peter has also written a short story collection, *A Twist of the Knife*, and his standalone titles include *Perfect People* and *The House on Cold Hill. The Perfect Murder*, *Dead Simple* and *Not Dead Enough* have all been turned into smash-hit stage plays. All his novels reflect his deep interest in the world of the police. Three of his novels have been filmed and before becoming a full-time author he produced numerous films, including *The Merchant of Venice*, starring Al Pacino and Jeremy Irons.



## **Capture or Kill**

**Tom Marcus** 

9781509863587

Fiction > Crime, Mystery & Thrillers

Macmillan | Rs 599 | 400pp | TPB | Royal May 31, 2018

Capture or Kill is the first thrilling fictional novel from former MI5 officer and the bestselling author of Soldier Spy, Tom Marcus.

From the bestselling author of *Soldier Spy*, former MI5 officer Tom Marcus, comes the first in a thrilling new fiction series.

Matt Logan is an MI5 agent for the British government. Working on the frontline of counter-terrorism in the UK he's trained to protect its citizens against all threats.

When two brothers known operationally as 'Iron Sword' and 'Stone Fist' are suspected of plotting a major terrorist event, Logan and his team work undercover to track them down. If they fail, an attack will be unleashed that will rock the country to its very core.

Frustrated by always needing to obey the rules, Logan yearns for a way to break through the red tape that hinders their progress. His wishes seem to come true when he is offered the chance to join a new, deniable outfit known as 'Blindeve'.

Then devastating news reaches Logan, throwing his world into turmoil. But one thing remains certain, he will join the team and become their fiercest, most ruthless operative . . .

Capture or Kill is the first in Tom Marcus's breathtaking series featuring tortured MI5 operative Matt Logan.

#### **Author Bio:**

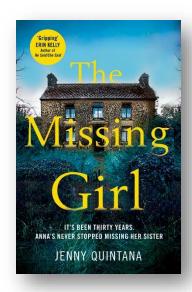
**Tom Marcus**, former MI5, grew up on the streets in the North of England. He joined the Army at sixteen and went on to become the youngest member of the Armed Forces to pass the 6-month selection process for Special Operations in Northern Ireland.

He was hand picked from the Army into MI5 as a Surveillance Officer. He left the Security Service recently after a decade on the frontline protecting his country due to being diagnosed with PTSD.

An extraordinary battle and recovery took place which led Tom to write his first book, *Soldier Spy* which has been vetted and cleared for publication by MI5, it's the first true ground level account ever to be told. The first time in the Security Services' history a Surveillance Officer has told the real story of the fight on our streets and his debut book went straight to Number 1 on the *Sunday Times* best sellers list.

Tom, now consults on projects within TV and film including the TV dramatization of his book *Soldier Spy. Capture or Kill* is his first novel. Due to the ongoing specific threat to Tom Marcus, MI5 insist he keep his identity hidden and he continues to work with the Security Service and other agencies to ensure he stays safe.





# The Missing Girl

Jenny Quintana 9781509839964

Fiction > Crime, Mystery & Thrillers

Pan | Rs 599 | 336pp | PB | B Format May 31, 2018

It's been thirty years since Anna's older sister disappeared.

Anna's never stopped missing her.

'A gripping debut from a serious new talent . . .' Erin Kelly on Jenny Quintana's *The Missing Girl* When Anna Flores' adored older sister goes missing as a teenager, Anna copes by disappearing too, just as soon as she can: running as far away from her family as possible, and eventually building a life for herself abroad.

Thirty years later, the death of her mother finally forces Anna to return home. Tasked with sorting through her mother's possessions, she begins to confront not just her mother's death, but also the huge hole Gabriella's disappearance left in her life - and finds herself asking a question she's not allowed herself to ask for years: what really happened to her sister?

With that question comes the revelation that her biggest fear isn't discovering the worst; it's never knowing the answer. But is it too late for Anna to uncover the truth about Gabriella's disappearance?

#### **Author Bio:**

**Jenny Quintana** grew up in Essex and Berkshire, before studying English Literature in London. She has taught in London, Seville and Athens and has also written books for teaching English as a foreign language. She is a graduate of the Curtis Brown Creative writing course. She now lives with her family in Berkshire. *The Missing Girl* is her first novel.



### From the Earth to the Shadows

Amanda Hocking 9781509807703

Fiction > Science & Fantasy Fiction

Pan | Rs 399 | 336pp | PB | B Format May 03, 2018

The second novel in the Valkyries duology from the million-copy bestselling author of the Trylle trilogy.

From the Earth to the Shadows is the epic sequel to Between the Blade and the Heart, a gripping adventure of duty versus romance from Amanda Hocking, author of the Trylle trilogy and the Kanin Chronicles.

Malin's mission to avenge her mother's murder has uncovered dangerous secrets. As a Valkyrie-in-training, Malin must slay immortals who've had their time, to maintain balance between humans and immortals. But her quest could destroy earth's stability - and unleash chaos.

Just when she needs to focus, her friend Asher is in grave danger. He's been dragged into the underworld, where vengeful immortals plot revolution. Malin believes her feelings mustn't distract from her goal - but is desperate to rescue him. So she ventures into the darkest of realms, knowing she may not survive. With new allies at her side and new enemies ahead, Malin will face terrible choices. She'll have to keep her head - or be ruled by her heart.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Amanda Hocking** lives in Minnesota, had never sold a book before April 2010 and has now sold her millionth. She is now 'the most spectacular example of an author striking gold through ebooks' according to the *Observer*. In her own words, Amanda is an obsessive Tweeter, John Hughes mourner, Batman devotee, Muppets activist and unicorn enthusiast. Her books include the Trylle trilogy, the Kanin Chronicles and the Watersong series.



# If You Don't Have Anything Nice to Say

Leila Sales

9781447291770

Children > Juvenile Fiction > 12+ years

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### So You've Been Publicly Shamed for fiction YA readers

'I understand what you meant by the comment. That's not what I'm asking. I'm asking, why did you put it up on the internet?'

And this was the humiliating part. Because there was no good reason for it. 'I just hoped people might think it was funny.

Winter Halprin has her life figured out. She's a spelling-bee champion, has a great group of friends, supersupportive parents and a place at her dream college. But when a wayward comment online about the winner of a spelling bee goes viral, her whole world is turned upside down. The entire internet has turned against her, and everything is falling apart.

Knowing she has to make herself a better person, Winter turns to REVIBE, a rehabilitation facility for people who have been publicly shamed online. But she finds herself frozen and unable to apologize for what she has done. How can you apologize when you can't even put pen to paper any more, when you're scared of the power of your own words? How can you apologize when you're not even sure it's your fault?

*If You Don't Have Anything Nice To Say* is the thought provoking novel from multi award winning author, Leila Sales

#### **Author Bio:**

**Leila Sales** grew up outside Boston, USA, and graduated from the University of Chicago. Now she lives in Brooklyn, New York, and works as an editor for Penguin Children's Books. Her books *This Song Will Save Your Life, Tonight the Streets Are Ours* and *If You Don't Have Anything Nice To Say* are published by Macmillan Children's Books. She has also written two previous novels, *Mostly Good Girls* and *Past Perfect*.





# **Kat Wolfe Investigates**

Lauren St. John 9781509871223

Children > Juvenile Fiction > 9-11 years

MCB | Rs 350 | 256pp | PB | B Format May 17, 2018

A compelling middle-grade mystery from Lauren St John, the bestselling author of the Blue Peter Book Award-winning Laura Marlin Mysteries series. Introducing pet-sitter and amateur detective, Kat Wolfe, in her first exciting adventure!

After a break-in at their London home, Kat Wolfe and her veterinary-surgeon mum decide it's time to move to the country. Dr Wolfe's new job in idyllic Bluebell Bay on Dorset's Jurassic Coast comes with a condition: they have to adopt Tiny, a huge, near-wild Savannah, who resists Kat's best attempts at cat whispering.

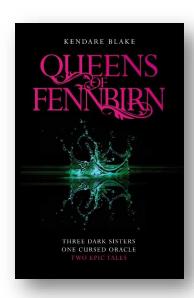
When she starts a pet-sitting agency to make pocket money, her troubles escalate. The owner of her first client, an Amazon parrot, vanishes from his fortified, gadget-filled mansion, leaving a half-packed suitcase and a mysterious parcel. The only person who shares Kat's conviction that he's the victim of foul play is Harper Lamb, the American daughter of a palaeontology professor. A language and coding whizz, Harper is laid up with two broken legs thanks to her racehorse, the 'Pocket Rocket' - Kat's newest client. What starts out as mystery-solving holiday fun quickly turns deadly for Wolfe and Lamb. When all clues point to an army base, can they count on their unruly animal friends to save the day - and their lives?

*Kat Wolfe Investigates* is the first in a compelling middle-grade mystery series from bestselling author Lauren St John

#### **Author Bio:**

**Lauren St John** grew up surrounded by horses and wild animals on a farm and game reserve in Zimbabwe, the inspiration for her memoir, *Rainbow's End.* After studying journalism, she relocated to the UK, where she spent nearly a decade on the European and PGA Tours as golf correspondent to the *Sunday Times*. She also wrote the acclaimed music biography *Hardcore Troubadour: The Life & Near Death of Steve Earle.* She is the author of the multi-award-winning The White Giraffe series for children, as well as the Laura Marlin mysteries, the first of which, *Dead Man's Cove*, won the 2011 Blue Peter Book of the Year Award. Her bestselling One Dollar Horse series was followed by YA horse romance, *The Glory*, now optioned for film.





# The Queens of Fennbirn

**Two Three Dark Crowns Novellas** 

Kendare Blake

9781509880614

Children > Juvenile Fiction > 12+ years

MCB | Rs 350 | 240pp | PB | B Format May 03, 2018

A bind-up of *The Young Queens*, previously only available as an e-novella, and an entirely new short story, *The Oracle Queen*, about a fourth queen with the gift of sight, who should have been drowned at birth . . . plus extra content!

Queens of Fennbirn contains two gripping stories from the New York Times bestselling Three Dark Crowns universe, written by Kendare Blake.

*The Young Queens* is the story of the three queens when they were born, before they were separated - it gives a short glimpse of the time when they all lived together, loved each other and protected one another. It's also the story of the day they were torn apart and the immediate years that followed before the opening of *Three Dark Crowns*.

The Oracle Queen - historically, baby queens born with the sight gift were drowned. This had been the practice for hundreds of years, so long that few were even born any more, as if the Goddess knew it would be a waste. It is a harsh sentence, but necessary, for it is well-known that in a queen the sight gift will run strong. Strong enough to drive her mad. This is the tale of the last sight-gift queen to be allowed to live. She was overcome by paranoia and false visions, driven past the brink by the phantom thoughts of others in her head, so she set upon the capital with bloody ruin, murdering whole houses, whole family lines, without trial. Or at least, that is how the tale is told. This is her story.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Kendare Blake** is originally from South Korea, but was brought up in the US. She has a BA in Business from Ithaca College in New York and an MA in Writing from Middlesex University in London. She is the author of Anna Dressed in Blood, Girl of Nightmares and Antigoddess, all published by Orchard Books. One Dark Throne is the second book in the Three Dark Crowns quartet, and the author is currently working on the next book. She lives with her husband in Kent, Washington.



### A Skinful of Shadows

Frances Hardinge 9781509835508

Children > Juvenile Fiction > 12+ years

MCB | Rs 399 | 448pp | PB | B Format May 03, 2018

The stunning story of a young girl's quest to shape her own destiny from the author of *The Lie Tree*, winner of the Costa Book Award 2015

Shortlisted for Waterstones Book of the Year 2017

'A Skinful of Shadows confirms Hardinge's status as one of our finest storytellers. It's rare to find a book which is every bit as intelligent and stylish as it is riveting - I was enthralled' - Sarah Perry, author of The Essex Serpent

Frances Hardinge weaves a dark, otherworldly tale in *A Skinful of Shadows*, her first book since the Costa Award-winning *The Lie Tree.* 

When a creature dies, its spirit can go looking for somewhere to hide.

Some people have space inside them, perfect for hiding.

Makepeace, a courageous girl with a mysterious past, defends herself nightly from the ghosts which try to possess her. Then a dreadful event causes her to drop her guard for a moment.

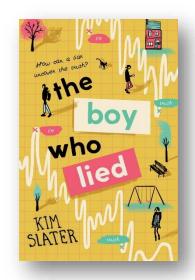
And now there's a ghost inside her.

The spirit is wild, brutish and strong, but it may be her only defence in a time of dark suspicion and fear. As the English Civil War erupts, Makepeace must decide which is worse: possession - or death.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Frances Hardinge** spent her childhood in a huge old house that inspired her to write strange stories from an early age. She read English at Oxford University, then got a job at a software company. However, by this time a persistent friend had finally managed to bully Frances into sending a few chapters of *Fly By Night*, her first children's novel, to a publisher. Macmillan made her an immediate offer. The book went on to publish to huge critical acclaim and win the Branford Boase First Novel Award. Known for her beautiful use of language, she has since written many critically acclaimed novels, including *Verdigris Deep*, *Cuckoo Song*, and the Costa Award-winning *The Lie Tree*.





# The Boy Who Lied

Kim Slater

9781509842315

Children > Juvenile Fiction > 12+ years

MCB | Rs 350 | 304pp | PB | B Format May 17, 2018

How can a liar uncover the truth? A sharp, warm and thought-provoking mystery from Kim Slater, award-winning author of *Smart*.

Fourteen-year-old Ed Clayton is a liar. It started when his dad went to prison and now he can't seem to stop. When Ed's younger brother Sam goes missing one day under his supervision, nobody believes him when he says he can't remember what happened.

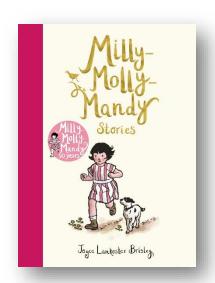
Things begin to go very wrong for Ed's family when his mum loses her job and they have to start using a foodbank. Ditched even by his best friend, Ed is on his own trying find out what's happened to Sam, until he meets Fallon, a new neighbour who's willing to help him unravel the mystery. The two stumble on a secret even Ed could never have imagined. But nobody will ever believe a liar...

#### **Author Bio:**

**Kim Slater** honed her storytelling skills as a child, writing macabre tales specially designed to scare her younger brother! Taking her literary inspiration from everyday life, Kim's debut novel, *Smart*, has won more than ten regional prizes and been shortlisted for over twenty regional and national awards, including the Waterstones Children's Book Prize and the Federation of Children's Book Groups Prize. *Smart* was also longlisted for the 2015 Carnegie Medal. Kim lives in Nottingham with her husband and has one grown-up daughter.

The Boy Who Lied is Kim's fourth novel for Macmillan Children's Books.





# Milly-Molly-Mandy Stories

Joyce Lankester Brisley 9781509844999

Children > Juvenile Fiction > 7-9 years

MCB | Rs 399 | 176pp | HB May 03, 2018

Welcome to the world of Milly-Molly-Mandy! Read about her adventures in this collection of thirteen charming stories.

The stories of Milly-Molly-Mandy and her friends have charmed generations of children since their first publication in 1928. Milly-Molly-Mandy lives in a tiny village in the heart of the countryside, where life is full of everyday adventures. Whether she is minding the village shop or going blackberry picking, you're sure to have fun when Milly-Molly-Mandy is around!

Perfect for reading aloud, these thirteen stories will bring back happy memories for parents and grandparents, and introduce younger readers to an enduringly popular heroine and her friends little-friend-Susan and Billy Blunt.

Gloriously illustrated with Joyce Lankester Brisley's original line drawings, *Milly-Molly-Mandy Stories* is a truly special gift to treasure.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Joyce Lankester Brisley** was born in 1896 and studied at the Lambeth School of Art. The first Milly-Molly-Mandy stories were published in 1925 in *The Christian Science Monitor*, and a first collection of these stories was published in book form in 1928. An accomplished artist as well as a writer, Joyce Lankester Brisley designed posters and book jackets and also illustrated the work of other authors. She died in 1978, but Milly-Molly-Mandy's popularity lives on.





# **More Milly-Molly-Mandy Stories**

Joyce Lankester Brisley 9781509845019

Children > Juvenile Fiction > 7-9 years

MCB | Rs 399 | 176pp | HB May 03, 2018

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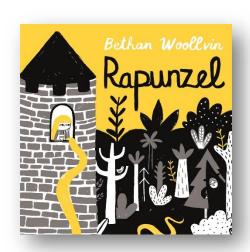
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# Rapunzel

**Bethan Woollvin** 

9781509842681

Children > Pre-School & Picture Books > 2-5 years

Two Hoots | Rs 350 | 32pp | PB May 31, 2018

### A defiant twist on a classic fairy tale from the creator of Little Red.

Golden-haired princess Rapunzel is kept trapped in her lofty tower by a wicked witch, who lops off locks of her beautiful hair and sells them for her own profit. Can Rapunzel ever figure out a way to escape?

From creator of *Little Red*, a *New York Times* Best Illustrated Children's Book 2016,comes another witty twist on a favourite fairy tale. This bold and funny story removes the handsome prince altogether, making Rapunzel the mistress of her own destiny.

Printed with stunning pantone inks, Bethan Woollvin's unique and striking art style and drily comic voice make this the perfect gift for fairy tale fans of all ages.

#### **Author Bio:**

**Bethan Woollvin** won The Macmillan Prize for Illustration in 2014 for her classy, bold interpretation of Little Red Riding Hood, *Little Red*. It was a startlingly confident debut which caught the imagination of everyone who saw it and went on to be shortlisted for the Little Rebels Prize, named as one of the Best Picture Books of 2016 by the *New York Times* and won the AOI World of Illustration Award 2017. The eldest in a family of ten children, Bethan understands well what appeals to a variety of age groups, and all her work exudes a natural dry wit and charm. She graduated from Anglia Ruskin University in Cambridge with a First Class Degree in Illustration in 2015 and now lives in Brighton.