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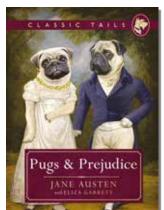
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## **CLASSIC TAILS**

Classic Tails - the greatest works of literature, as told by the finest breeds

We all have our favourite classic novels; books that have been beloved to us **WILDFIRE** since childhood, whose wonderful stories and rich tapestry of characters are unsurpassed in modern literature. How, you may ask, could these marvellous works ever be improved upon?

Reader, ask no more...for we present



## PUGS AND PREJUDICE JANE AUSTEN WITH ELIZA GARRETT

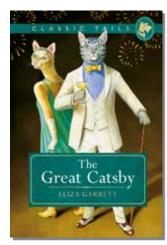
Mrs Bennet has five unmarried daughters, living in a house that can only be inherited by a male heir. The Bennet litter must be married off soon - but to whom?

Adorable Mr Bingley seems like a perfect match for beautiful and sweetly tempered Jane Bennet; and perhaps his dashing but aloof companion Mr Darcy might be just right for her witty sister Elizabeth?

Or perhaps not...

This book has everything you adored about Jane Austen's classic novel - the wit, the warmth, the love story - with everything the original lacked - namely, a colourful cast of adorable pugs dressed head to paw in Georgian clothing.

Turns out Mr Darcy is even more lovable with a fuzzy muzzle.



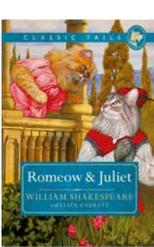
## THE GREAT CATSBY

## ELIZA GARRETT

Millionaire Jay Catsby is a mystery. All alone in his moggy mansion, he throws extravagant parties attended by all the great and the good of the feline world. What nobody knows is that this is a kitty haunted by love - the love of a beautiful pussycat called Daisy, whom he lost to another long ago - and Catsby's great wish is that one day she, too, might be drawn to join the festivities.

When Daisy's cousin Nick moves in next door, it seems like Catsby is a whisker away from winning back his beloved. But Daisy's husband Tomcat has other ideas...

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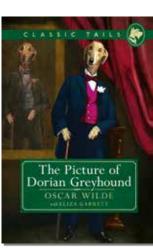


## ROMEOW AND JULIET WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE WITH ELIZA GARRETT

You've never read Shakespeare like this, till now: / The tragedy of Juliet, and her Romeow.

In fair Purrona, two furry families are at war. But when Romeow, the son of Montamew, sneaks into a Cattulet ball, he falls in love with beautiful Juliet - the daughter of his father's sworn enemy.

So begins the tale of two star-crossed kitties, who must defy this feline feud to try and live - but ultimately, tragically die together...



## THE PICTURE OF DORIAN GREYHOUND OSCAR WILDE WITH ELIZA GARRETT

Dorian Greyhound is the best of his breed - well-tempered, beautiful and pure of heart. So Basil Basset, an artist, paints a portrait that reflects the very essence of Dorian's soul. But soon Dorian befriends selfish hedonist Lord Henry Wooffon, and then the moral corruption of this sweet creature begins. On the outside, Dorian remains young and sleek - but as his naughtiness increases, the portrait starts to reveal the extent of his inner decay...

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#### ENID BLYTON FOR GROWN-UPS Quercus **BRUNO VINCENT**



## FIVE GET GRAN ONLINE

The Five go north to see their grandmother - Granny Barnard - who they haven't caught up with for many years, since she remarried. She is alone over the Easter weekend and so the Five decide to look after her and reconnect.



They're shocked to find it's been so long that they don't recognise her at all. While they're there, they try to help her with her computer. They try first to fix her iTunes account, and then her internet banking - after all it's the least they can do! However everything they touch turns to dust. They end up getting her cut off from the internet, the gas and the electricity, and reduced to a World War II-style privations - that is until the toddler from

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next door comes in and fixes everything. They return home somewhat with their tails between their legs, only to discover that with their help Gran has learned to make videos, and has become an internet sensation.



## FIVE GET ON THE PROPERTY I ADDER

The Five attempt to scale the property ladder in this new Enid Blyton for Grown-Ups! George, Dick, Anne, Julian and Timmy turn their attention to finding a property they can call their very own.

Join the Five as they struggle to get their feet (and paws) on the first rung of the property ladder. Luckily cousin Rupert is on hand to help. But not before they've had some very exciting adventures. Who knew that it was all going to be so difficult?

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## FIVE ESCAPE BREXIT ISLAND

#### The topical sequel to last year's runaway bestseller

It's a year after the Brexit vote. The four housemates and Timmy are on a visit to see their evil genius cousin Rupert. Rupert owns a chunk of the Jurassic Coast, part of which he has turned into an island and declared independence from Britain. Its fifteenth-century Dorset castle is a tourist attraction, but a computer hack puts the ancient fortifications into lockdown and plunges the Five into peril. Can our intrepid friends escape to the safety of mainland Europe?

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## FIVE GO BUMP IN THE NIGHT

A spooky new Enid Blyton for Grown-Ups! George, Dick, Anne, Julian and Timmy go camping in the deep dark woods. Sleep does not come easily, so they have the brilliant idea of telling each other spooky stories.

Join the Five as they scare themselves witless recounting tales that would terrify the bravest of souls. From encounters with American werewolves and being lost in space, to ghostly graveyard apparitions, it is hardly surprising that there is a sleepless night ahead of the intrepid crew. Even grumpy old Uncle Quentin and kind Aunt Fanny cannot be relied upon to be entirely themselves ...

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## FIVE AT THE OFFICE CHRISTMAS PARTY

A brand new Enid Blyton for Grown-Ups, especially for the festive season! George, Dick, Anne, Julian and Timmy are given the task of organizing the Christmas party for cousin Rupert's failing company.

Join the Five as they set out to give the best office Christmas party ever, in the most traditional of fashions. Of course, true to form, things don't go quite according to plan ...

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Bruno Vincent is a bestselling author, with a number of humour titles to his name including Do Ants Have Arseholes? which was a Sunday Times bestseller, with 147,000 sales through bookscan in 3 months. The follow-up, Do Bats Have Bollocks?, was also a Sunday Times bestseller.



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## YEAR OF WONDER: CLASSICAL MUSIC FOR EVERYDAY

#### **CLEMENCY BURTON-HILL**

Classical music for everyone - an inspirational piece of music for every day of the year, celebrating composers from the medieval era to the present day, written by award-winning violinist and BBC Radio 3 presenter Clemency Burton-Hill.

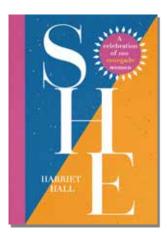
'The only requirements for enjoying classical music are open ears and an open mind.' *Clemency Burton-Hill* 

Have you ever heard a piece of music so beautiful it stops you in your tracks? Or wanted to discover more about classical music but had no idea where to begin?

Year of Wonder is a unique celebration of classical music by an author who wants to share its diverse wonders with others and to encourage a love for this genre in all readers, whether complete novices or lifetime enthusiasts.

Clemency chooses one piece of music for each day of the year, with a short explanation about the composer to put it into context, and brings the music alive in a modern and playful way, while also extolling the positive mindfulness element of giving yourself some time every day to listen to something uplifting or beautiful. Thoughtfully curated and expertly researched, this is a book of classical music to keep you company: whoever you are, wherever you're from.

Clemency Burton-Hill is one of the UK's leading arts broadcasters and writers. She is one of the presenters of BBC Radio 3 Breakfast, the Proms, and Young Musician of the Year as well as numerous other music and arts programmes on radio, television and online. A former presenter of The Culture Show and The Review Show, as a journalist she regularly contributes to the Observer, Economist, 1843 Magazine, FT Weekend, Guardian and Telegraph. She is also the classical music columnist for BBC Culture. An award-winning violinist, Clemency has performed all over the world under leading conductors. She is the co-founder of Aurora Orchestra and a patron of the music and arts education charities The Choir of London Trust and Dramatic Need.



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Hardback, 208 pages



# SHE: A CELEBRATION OF RENEGADE WOMEN

#### HARRIET HALL

Calling all women! SHE: A CELEBRATION OF RENEGADE WOMEN by Stylist's Harriet Hall is the must-have book for women everywhere. Perfect for fans of Caitlin Moran, Lena Dunham and Good Night Stories For Rebel Girls.

You are cordially invited to celebrate inspirational women...

SHE is a love letter to all the women who make us proud to be ladies.



From fashion icon Coco Chanel to Queen Cleopatra, from literary legend Jane Austen to trailblazer Michelle Obama and from kick-ass activist Malala Yousafzai to the one-andonly Beyoncé, SHE honours 100 truly renegade women, from history through to present day.

Gorgeously curated and expertly written by Stylist journalist Harriet Hall, and filled with stunning illustrations and stylish typography, *SHE* is a thing of beauty to be worshipped, just like the women that make up its contents.

This statement, timely book is the perfect gift for the renegade women in your life who inspire and amaze you or, for YOU, to simply make you proud of being a woman.

Writer: Harriet Hall is a London-based journalist published prolifically across digital and print media, with expertise in women's issues and fashion history. Currently digital features editor at *Stylist* magazine where she edits the reputable *Ask a Feminist* column, Harriet also works as a broadcaster, and has appeared on BBC Radio 4 *Woman's Hour, Sky* and *BBC News,* as well as at panel events.

Illustrator: Alice Skinner is best known for her satirical drawings, often tackling political issues with a sense of humour. Her recent body of work sees her reimagining classical art from the likes of Picasso for the social media generation, pairing the illustrations with meme inspired captions which she shares to her ever growing Instagram page.



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POEMS FOR A WORLD GONE TO SH\*T: THE AMAZING POWER OF POETRY TO MAKE EVEN THE MOST F\*\*KED UP TIMES FEEL BETTER

An uplifting, moving and funny anthology including the mostloved poets of the past and popular contemporary voices

Discover the amazing power of poetry to make even the most  $f^{**}$ ked up times feel better.

Poetry has never been more alive – and more relevant and restorative as a route to realising that no matter how bad things might seem, you are not alone. The greatest poets lived through some the toughest of times – and even better, they wrote about it in stunning, enduring poems.

These poems, penned by some of the most popular and loved writers past and present, capture the incredible vastness of human emotion: reflective, political, revolutionary, inspiring and insightful, funny, sometimes dark and sometimes light.

Poems for a world gone to sh\*t brings together one hundred poems to soothe, surprise and comfort in a journey that will take you from feeling 'What the hell is going on' to 'Take me far, far away', from 'Lets do something about this sh\*t' to 'Life is still bloody beautiful'. From Byron, Rossetti and Shakespeare to Larkin and Lorca, their words will remind you of the beauty in the world, will inspire you to make a difference – and most of all will make you feel more alive.

An elegant and eye-catching clothbound hardback, Poems for a world gone to sh\*t is the perfect gift for poetry lovers and newcomers alike.

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## STORIES FOR BOYS WHO DARE TO BE DIFFERENT BEN BROOKS

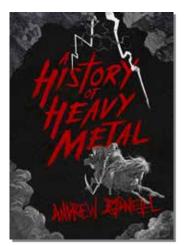
A beautiful and inspiring collection of stories about boys who changed the world without killing a single dragon or saving a single princess.

Good Night Stories for Rebel Girls successfully addressed the huge gender imbalance in children's books in the representation of girls.

But boys need to know that prince charmings and brave hunters are not the only role-models either. In fact, a whole lot of them out there don't identify with the idea of being a strong, independent, competitive saviour who never cries. As a boy, there is an assumption that you will conform to this stereotypical idea of masculinity, but what if you're the introvert kind, what if you prefer to pick up a book rather than a sword, what if you're very sensitive, what if you like the idea of wearing a dress?

As statistics keep showing that there is an ongoing crisis with regards to young men and mental health, with unhelpful gender stereotypes contributing to this malaise, *Stories for Boys Who Dare To Be Different* offers a welcome alternative narrative. It is an extraordinary compilation of 100 stories of famous and not-so-famous men from the past to the present day, every single one of them a rule-breaker and innovator in his own way, and all going on to achieve extraordinary things. Entries include Frank Ocean, Salvador Dali, Rimbaud, Beethoven, Barack Obama, Ai Weiwei and Jesse Owens different sorts of heroes from all walks of life and from all over the world.

A beautiful and transporting book packed with stories of adventure and wonderment, it will appeal to those who need the courage to reject peer pressure and go against the grain. It will educate and entertain, while also encourage and inspire.



27th JULY 2017 Trade Paperback, 304 pages

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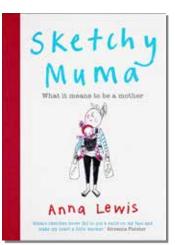
## A HISTORY OF HEAVY METAL

#### ANDREW O'NEILL

A hilariously kick-arse tour through heavy metal by the UK's foremost metalhead stand-up comedian, Andrew O'Neill. Now, in his first book, he digs deeper into the history of the music, the subculture, and the characters who shaped it. It is a story for everyone.

The history of heavy metal brings brings us extraordinary stories of larger-than-life characters living to excess, from the household names of Ozzy Osbourne, Lemmy, Iron Maiden and Metallica, to the brutal notoriety of the underground Norwegian black metal scene and the New Wave Of British Heavy Metal. It is the story of a worldwide network of rabid fans escaping everyday mundanity through music, of cut-throat corporate arseholes ripping off those fans and the bands they worship to line their pockets. The expansive pantheon of heavy metal musicians includes junkies, Satanists and murderers, born-again Christians and teetotallers, stadium-touring billionaires and toilet-circuit journeymen.

Andrew O'Neill is an award-winning comedian and heavy metal guitarist. His comedy show Andrew O'Neill's History Of Heavy Metal has received universally glowing reviews in the heavy metal press, as well as rave comedy reviews. He has performed his History of Heavy Metal comedy show to a huge range of audiences, from the teenage metalheads of Download festival to the broadsheetreading theatre-goers of the Edinburgh Fringe to comedyand-heavy-metal-literate Scandinavian comedy crowds.



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## SKETCHY MUMA: WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A MOTHER

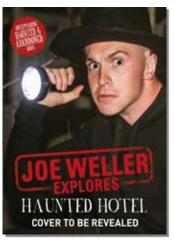
#### ANNA LEWIS

The moving, funny and utterly endearing illustrated diary of what it means to be a mother.

This gorgeous little book charts the various bewildering stages of becoming a mother, from those tell-tale blue lines in the pregnancy test, to labour, birth, coming home and venturing out. Breastfeeding nightmares, eating dinner with one hand, soft play hell and chronic sleep deprivation - but also the sheer beauty of falling in love again and the amazing discovery of what it's like to have a family - these are all captured in Sketchy Muma's glorious drawings.

This is the perfect gift book for both young and experienced parents. Anna Lewis understands the light and shade that comes with motherhood, and it is those universal truths that will connect all those parents who delight in her sketches.

Anna Lewis has always drawn for as long as she can remember. She is a published children's book illustrator, and *Sketchy Muma* is her personal project. She started it as she snatched brief moments when marooned in random car parks with her napping baby She never looked back. She now lives in Cornwall with her film-maker Ray and their daughter, who is now three.



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## JOE WELLER EXPLORES: HAUNTED HOTEL

## JOE WELLER

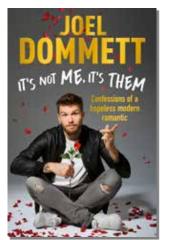
Join Joe Weller, one of YouTube's biggest stars, and adventure through the horrors and hilarity of a haunted hotel.

For fans of The Sidemen, a hilariously spooky chooseyour-own-adventure book from YouTube sensation Joe Weller.

Join Joe as he explores a haunted hotel, where petrifying paranormal surprises can lurk in every dark corner. You can stick with Joe or you can choose your own path and make your way through the building as you encounter long eerie corridors, experience horrific chills and not to forget, you may witness Joe behaving like an absolute nutiob.

Enter at your own peril. And be sure to bring a torch with you as it's going to be one unforgettable adventure.

Joe Weller, a.k.a @JoeWeller, is a 22-year-old British vlogger with over 4.3 million subscribers. When he's not making hilarious videos, exploring haunted buildings or playing football with his good friends The Sidemen, he also has a successful side-career in music and, last year, his single 'Wanna Do' was a UK official charts Top 10 hit.



8th FEBRUARY 2018 Hardback, 256 pages



## IT'S NOT ME, IT'S THEM: CONFESSIONS OF A HOPELESS MODERN ROMANTIC

#### JOEL DOMMETT

The hilarious first book from comedian and *I'm A Celeb* star Joel Dommett

As a 17-year-old virgin working ...for Virgin, Joel Dommett has grand ambitions. Firstly, he is going to swap suburbia for the bright lights of Showbiz. Secondly, he is going to find 'the one' - and sets himself the very achievable target of finding her in the first fifty people he's definitely going to sleep with.

What follows is a series of disastrous romantic encounters, including carpets mistaken for toilets, futile grand gestures and the catfishing to end all catfishing.

Featuring genuine teenage diary entries and told in Joel's trademark self-deprecating style, this is the brilliant first memoir from the UK's most exciting young comedian.

Originally from Gloucestershire, at the age of 19 Joel Dommett moved to London and soon began a stand-up comedy career that would take him all around the globe. He has appeared on *Impractical Jokers UK*, *Russell Howard's Good News*, *Teenage Kicks* and *The Crystal Maze*. In 2016 he was the runner up on *I'm A Celebrity Get Me Out of Here!* 

## **NARRATIVE NON-FICTION**

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## THE PRICE OF PARADISE IAIN OVERTON

An urgent and pertinent exploration of how and why the suicide bomber has shaped the modern age, written by a multi-award winning investigative journalist and human rights campaigner.

We live in the age of the suicide bomber. The suicide bomb itself takes more lives than any other type of explosive weapon. Moreover, in the last 5 years more people have been killed by suicide attacks than at any other time in history.

How has this descent deep into the heart of terror escalated in such a way? What drives people to blow themselves up and what are the consequences? More importantly perhaps, what can be done to combat the rising spread of this form of violence?

Investigative journalist lain Overton addresses the fundamental drivers of modern day suicide attacks in this fascinating and important book, showing how the suicide bomber has played a pivotal role in the evolution of some of the most defining forces of the modern age - from Communism and the Cold War, to the modern day War on Terror.

Interviewing Russian anarchists, Japanese kamikazes, Hezbollah militants, survivors of suicide bombings and countless other sources of valuable information, while travelling to places such as Iran, Iraq and Pakistan, Overton skilfully combines historical narrative, travelogue, interviews and testimonies, and brings his research alive thanks to potent facts and visceral storytelling.

The result is a powerful and unforgettable read, the first nonacademic attempt to chart the rise and rise of this weapon.

lain Overton is a multi-award winning journalist and human rights campaigner, and has reported from over two dozen conflict zones worldwide. Today he runs the London based charity Action on Armed Violence (AOAV), but prior to that he worked for the BBC, ITN and the London-based Bureau of Investigative Journalism. He has written for the *Guardian, Los Angeles Times, Foreign Affairs* and *International Business Times*, among others. He is the recipient of two Amnesty Media Awards, a BAFTA, and a Peabody Award, and holds two degrees from Cambridge University. As well as lecturing on human rights journalism at Birkbeck University, London, he speaks regularly at the United Nations and other international forums on the matter of suicide bombings. He oversees the only global monitor of explosive violence around the world.



11th JANURAY 2018 Hardback, 320 pages RIGHTS SOLD IN: Spanish (Blackie Books)

## Quercus

# FIRE ON ALL SIDES

Life is messy and imperfect for us all, and when your mind is on fire and you feel like you're trapped in a terrifying blaze with no way out, sometimes the only way is to embrace the fragility of the human condition.

For many of us who suffer from depression or anxiety, the simple act of endurance, of having to appear 'normal', is a daunting, painful and heroic task.

Getting out of bed, packing the kids off to school, showing up for work, preparing dinner... These can be astonishing achievements when it sometimes takes a superhuman effort simply to stand upright.

How do you keep going? How do you do what you do, day in, day out, conforming to people's idea of you and functioning in the way society expects you to, when all you want to do is disappear and hide?

In *Fire On All Sides*, Rhodes attempts to find how to make the unbearable bearable in the most exposing circumstances imaginable.As he embarks on a gruelling five-month concert tour, performing in front of thousands of people, the tortuous voices in his mind his constant companions, he has no choice but to face these wild, mad ramblings head on.

Luckily, there is the music. There is always the music. Bach, Chopin, Beethoven - they are his holy grail, his mechanism for survival. Just.

This is an important, urgent book. It's about going through your day feeling like you can't find a way out of the crazy, it's about not setting the happiness bar too high, it's about accepting the messy imperfection that is life.

Rhodes explodes the myths surrounding depression, anxiety and stress - the plagues of our society - into a million pieces, then sticks them back together again with his characteristic thought-provoking, laser sharp and humorous style.

The really good news? It's going to be OK. Just.

James Rhodes was born in London in 1975. A keen piano player, at eighteen he was offered a scholarship at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama, but went to Edinburgh University instead. James stopped playing the piano entirely and dropped out after a year. He ended up working in the City for five years. After a devastating mental breakdown that led him to be institutionalised, he took the piano up again. He is now a professional and applauded concert pianist, writer and TV presenter. His memoir, *Instrumental,* was published to great critical acclaim and became an international bestseller.

#### COVER COMING SOON



COVER COMING SOON

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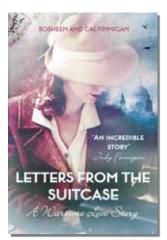
## WAR GARDENS LALAGE SNOW

A journey through the most unlikely of gardens: the oases of peace people create in the midst of war

In this millennium, we have become war weary. From Afghanistan to Iraq, from Ukraine to South Sudan and Syria, from Kashmir to the West Bank, conflict is as contagious and poisonous as Japanese knotweed. Living through it are people just like us with ordinary jobs, ordinary pressures and ordinary lives. Against a new landscape of horror and violence it is up to them to maintain a modicum of normality and colour. For some, gardening is the way to achieve this.

Working in the world's most dangerous war zones, freelance war correspondent and photographer Lally Snow has often chanced across a very moving sight, a testimony to the triumph of the human spirit in adversity, a celebration of hope and beauty: a war garden. In Kabul, the royal gardens are tended by a centenarian gardener, though the king is long gone: in Camp Bastion, bored soldiers improvise tiny gardens to give themselves a moment's peace; on both sides of the dividing line in Jerusalem families tend groves of olives and raise beautiful plants from the unforgiving, disputed landscape; in Ukraine, families tend their gardens in the middle of a surreal, frozen war.

War Gardens is a surprising, tragic and beautiful journey through the darkest places of the modern world, revealing the ways people make time and space for themselves and for nature even in the middle of destruction. Illustrated with Lally Snow's own award-winning photography, this is a book to treasure.



15th JUNE 2017 Hardback, 480 pages



# THE LETTERS FROM THE SUITCASE

#### **ROSHEEN & CAL FINNIGAN**

An enchanting, poignant and incredibly moving account of the five year early marriage between two lovers divided by war - and the legacy they left for their only child.

The Letters from The Suitcase reveals the vivid, poignant and hugely detailed wartime correspondence between David and Mary Francis from 1938 to 1943, and a unique love story, sure to appeal to readers of Roald Dahl's Love From Boy, Sheila Hancock's Miss Carter's Way or Helen Simonson's Major Pettigrew's Last Stand.

'I still have that recurring fear of something happening to me before I see you again, and before I can tell you myself just how much and how often I've realised during the last few months that I love you completely and to the exclusion of all others. Remember that, because if there wasn't you, my darling Mary, the world would seem very empty and meaningless.'

Mary was only 21 when she met and fell in love with the privately educated 19 year old David in 1938. Their affair was passionate, and in a swing of disgust at their class divide, and the growing rise of fascism and the Nazi party in Europe, they joined the Communist Party. These letters reveal their intelligence and thoughtfulness, details of their lives working as a secretary at Bletchley Park and as a young officer in action on the other side of the world, their marriage against the wishes of David's parents, their sexual desire and longing, and Mary's experience of bringing up a small baby alone.

David was to die in India, five years after their meeting, though his letters continued to reach Mary long after the event. At the heart, this is the story of a short but rich, rewarding and colourful love, written with vivacity and honesty. It is also the story of a father that Rosheen Finnigan never knew, and a fascinating social history, utterly unique in the telling.

Rosheen Finnigan was born in London and obtained a sociology degree from Leeds University where she met her husband, Cal. They lived for several years in Paris before returning with their two children to London and settling in Islington, where Rosheen worked for the Inner London Schools Psychological Service. Cal, a journalist, worked at the Guardian for many years. Now retired, they live in Constable Country on the Essex-Suffolk border

Not that Kind 9 Love

A sister, a brother, some fumours and a cat



Clare & Greg Wise

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## NOT THAT KIND OF LOVE GREG WISE & CLARE WISE

A moving, thought-provoking and surprisingly humorous book which is both a description of a journey to death and a celebration of the act of living.

Based on Clare Wise's blog, which she started when she was first diagnosed with cancer in 2013, Not That Kind of Love charts the highs and lows of the last three years of Clare's life.

The end result is not a book that fills you with despair and anguish. On the contrary, Not That Kind of Love should be read by everybody for its candour, and for its warmth and spirit. Clare is an astonishingly dynamic, witty and fun personality, and her positivity and energy exude from every page.

As she becomes too weak to type, her brother - the actor Greg Wise - takes over, and the book morphs into a beautiful meditation on life, and the necessity of talking about death.

With echoes of Atul Gawande's Being Mortal and Cathy Rentzenbrink's The Last Act of Love, it is a very special read that rejoices in the extraordinary and often underestimated sibling bond, and the importance of making the most of the ordinary pleasures life has to offer. As Greg Wise writes in the book: 'Celebrate the small things, the small moments. If you find yourself with matching socks as you leave the house in the morning, that is a cause for celebration. If the rest of the day is spent finding the cure for cancer, or brokering world peace, then that's a bonus.'

Clare & Greg Wise were born and raised in the north of England.

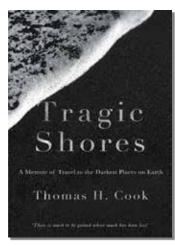
She read books, he fell out of trees.

She excelled at school, he hid when the end-of-term Report came.

She got a Double First in History at university. He did two Degrees - one where you spend your time drawing, the other where you pretend to be someone else.

Oddly, as adults, they both found themselves in the film business: she at the UK Film Council and then Vice President of Universal Pictures, he pretending to be someone else.

They lived in the same street until her death in 2016.



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## TRAGIC SHORES

#### THOMAS COOK

A memoir of a lifetime's travel to some of the darkest places on earth.

Thomas Cook has always been drawn to dark places, for the powerful emotions they evoke and for what we can learn from them. These lessons are often unexpected and sometimes profoundly intimate, but they are never straightforward.

With his wife and daughter, Cook travels across the globe in search of darkness - from Lourdes to Ghana, from San Francisco to Verdun, from the monumental, mechanised horror of Auschwitz to the intimate personal grief of a shrine to dead infants in Kamukura, Japan. Along the way he reflects on what these sites may teach us, not only about human history, but about our own personal histories.

During the course of a lifetime of traveling to some of earth's most tragic shores, from the leper colony on Molokai to ground zero at Hiroshima, he finds not darkness alone, but a light that can illuminate the darkness within each of us. Written in vivid prose, this is at once a personal memoir of exploration (both external and internal), and a strangely heartening look at the radiance that may be found at the very heart of darkness.

Thomas H Cook was born in Fort Payne, Alabama. He has been a college English teacher and a book review editor, but is best known as a hugely popular crime writer. He is the winner of the Edgar Award for The Chatham School Affair and has been shortlisted for the CWA Duncan Lawrie Dagger and the Anthony Award. He lives in Cape Cod and New York City. Tragic Shores is his first non-fiction book.



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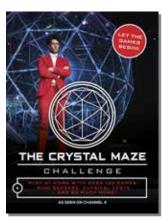
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The book was conceived and written by the key people behind the return of the series. Neale Simpson (Executive Producer), Chris Lore (Series Producer), Anna Kidd (Series Games Executive), Toby Smith (Development Executive) and MeralTaze (Games Producer) are all are self-confessed maze fanatics who had as much fun writing the book as they did running around the Aztec zone. Only one of them fell off a wet log in games testing. They asked for this information to be kept confidential. It was Meral.



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*Typographic Style Handbook* is an indispensable new manual for anyone working with text - books, journals, company reports, websites or marketing material - who wishes to develop an understanding of how to produce clean, clear and consistent typography.

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*Typographic Style Handbook* is destined to become a classic manual alongside Judith Butcher's Copy-editing, Hart's Rules, The Economist Style Guide and the Oxford Dictionary for Writers and Editors.

Michael Mitchell and Susan Wightman are authors of what is regarded as the industry standard, *Book Typography: A Designer's Manual.* It has sold worldwide and was translated into Polish, selling 5,000 copies.



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## BLETCHLEY PARK BRAINTEASERS SINCLAIR MCKAY

Put your brain to the test with never-before-seen tests, riddles and puzzles from Bletchley Park.

Do you fancy finding out if you have a talent for morse code? Or discovering whether your crossword hobby might have seen you recruited into the history books? If so and you're a Bletchley Park history buff or a fan of the GCHQ Quiz Book, then this is the book for you.

When scouring the land for top-level code-breakers, the Bletchley Park recruiters left no stone unturned. From mathematical-geniuses to sixth-form students who could read orchestral scores, chess masters, linguists, and Egyptologists who could interpret hieroglyphics, codebreakers were gathered from all around the country.

Once selected, the chosen few had to complete various tests - chess puzzles, crosswords, secret language translations, complex riddles and more - to see if they had what it takes to join the country's elite code-breaking team. Now you can see if you have what it takes, too.

Accompanied by nuggets of historical fascination such as the story of David Omand who was asked to translate an essay written in made-up Elvish and ended up as Director of GCHQ, or Jean Valentine, who volunteered in Dundee aged 18, disclosed that she loved the challenge of a cryptic crossword and found herself whisked down to Bletchley, these brain-teasing puzzles and riddles will give you a taste of what it felt like to be tested by the keenest minds in the country.



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## THE KNOWLEDGE: TRAIN YOUR BRAIN LIKE A LONDON CABBIE ROBERT LORDAN

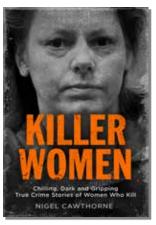
Train your brain with the secrets behind the world's toughest feat of memory: the London Knowledge

The Knowledge is a unique book: a guide to getting more out of your brain and your city. A fully illustrated, lovingly detailed look at London's best kept secrets, it will also take you down the pathways of your mind and teach you how to keep your memory sharp. Written by a licensed London cab driver and tour guide, *The Knowledge* is the first ever book to take readers inside the legendarily difficult - and fast-vanishing - set of skills that all licensed cab drivers must have: a perfect, thoroughly tested knowledge of every street, alley, turning and landmark of London.

The black cab is an iconic symbol of London, but to drive it, prospective cabbies must take what is often considered the world's hardest exam, involving learning every street, turning and waypoint along 320 different routes across London, along with every landmark within 1/4 of a mile of the start and end of each route: altogether 25,000 streets and 2,000 places of interest. Learning the Knowledge takes years, and dozens of appearances at gruelling oral exams, but those who pass become part of a unique partnership, with no parallel anywhere in the world. Scientific studies have consistently shown that London cabbies who have passed the Knowledge have enlarged brains and nearsuperhuman memory capacities.

The Knowledge is the first book to take readers inside the extraordinary mind of the cabbie, with 50 real Knowledge routes across London, beautifully mapped and illustrated to show the streets and landmarks, with notes on their hidden histories and popular associations, and sections allowing the reader to test their memory on these routes, accompanied with an introduction discussing the history and science of the Knowledge and guides to memory-training techniques used by cabbies and memory champions around the world.

Rob Lordan is a licensed London cab driver, tour guide and journalist who was named Time Out's Expert Blogger of the Year 2015.



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## KILLER WOMEN: CHILLING, DARK AND GRIPPING TRUE CRIME STORIES OF WOMEN WHO KILL NIGEL CAWTHORNE The inside story of the 50 most evil female murderers in

The inside story of the 50 most evil female murderers in world history

The Inside Story of Women Who Are Driven to Kill

*Killer Women* are the most disturbing yet compelling of all criminals, representing the very darkest side of humanity and subverting the conventional view of women as the weaker sex.

From Elizabeth Bathory, 'The Bloody Countess' whose vampire-like tendencies terrorised sixteenth-century Hungary, to the Moors Murderer Myra Hindley and the Florida Highway Killer Aileen Wuornos, these women transfix us with their extreme ability to commit savage acts of cruelty and depravity.

Most chilling is the fact that many of their victims represent the most vulnerable in society: babies, the ill and infirm, and the elderly. In some cases their methods of disposing of the corpses fall nothing short of ingenious: meet Leonarda Cianciulli, 'The Soap-Maker of Correggio', who used the fat from her victims' bodies to make soap and teacakes to sell to unsuspecting customers. These killers' backgrounds, methods and their crimes are described in forensic and gripping detail.

Nigel Cawthorne is the author of a number of successful true crime and popular history books. His writing has appeared in over 150 newspapers, magazines and partworks - from the Sun to the Financial Times, and from Flatbush Life to The New York Tribune. He lives in London.

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## LAGOM: THE SWEDISH SECRET OF LIVING WELL LOLA A ÅKERSTRÖM

Find the balance in life that is just right for you with this authentic guide to the Scandi trend of 2017

Perfect for fans of The Little Book of Hygge and Norwegian Wood, find the balance in life that is just right for you. Let Lola A. Åkerström, Editor-in-chief of Slow Travel Stockholm, be your companion to all things lagom.

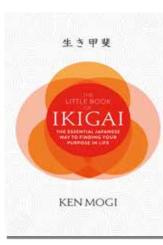
As the Swedish proverb goes, 'Lagom är bäst' (The right amount is best). Lagom sums up the Swedish psyche and is the reason why Sweden is one of the happiest countries in the world with a healthy work-life balance and high standards of living.

Lagom is a way of living that promotes harmony. It celebrates fairness, moderation and being satisfied with and taking proper care of what you've got, including your wellbeing, relationships, and possessions. It's not about having too little or too much but about fully inviting contentment into our lives through making optimal decisions.

Who better than Lola A. Åkerström to be your lagom guide? Sweden-based Lola is an award-winning writer, photographer, and editor-in-chief of Slow Travel Stockholm and she offers us a unique vantage point when it comes to adopting elements of a lagom lifestyle.

Full of insights and beautiful photographs, taken by Lola herself, this authentic book will help you make small, simple changes to your every day life - whether that's your diet, lifestyle, money, work or your home - so you can have a more balanced way of living filled with contentment.

Lola A. Åkerström is an award-winning writer, speaker, and photographer. She regularly contributes to high profile publications such as AFAR, the BBC, The Guardian, Lonely Planet, Travel + Leisure and National Geographic Traveller. Lola is also the editor of Slow Travel Stockholm, an online magazine dedicated to exploring Sweden's capital city in depth. She lives in Stockholm with her husband and two children, and blogs at www.lolaakinmade.com



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## THE LITTLE BOOK OF IKIGAI: THE ESSENTIAL JAPANESE WAY TO FIND YOUR PURPOSE IN LIFE KEN MOGI

Find your reason for living a long and happy life, thanks to this riveting and insightful book about ikigai, a Japanese approach to life that guarantees fulfilment, joy and mindfulness.

Welcome to ikigai, a Japanese mindset that will change your life. Ken Mogi, a Japanese expert and bestselling writer, reveals all about this mysterious and fascinating miracle that is at the heart of Japan's record-breaking long life, astonishing appreciation of sensory beauty and inherent mindfulness.

It is extraordinary that Japanese men's longevity ranks 4th in the world, while Japanese women's ranks 2nd. But perhaps this comes as no surprise when you know that the Japanese understanding of ikigai is embedded in their daily life and in absolutely everything that they do. In their professional careers, in their relationships with family members, in the hobbies they cultivate so meticulously.

Ken Mogi identifies five key pillars to ikigai:

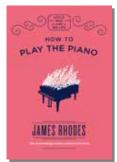
Pillar 1: Starting small, Pillar 2: Releasing yourself. Pillar 3:Harmony and sustainability, Pillar 4:The joy of little things and Pillar 5:Being in the here and now.

The Japanese talk about ikigai as 'a reason to get up in the morning'. It is something that keeps one's enthusiasm for life going, whether you are a cleaner of the famous Shinkansen bullet train, the mother of a newborn child or a Michelin-starred sushi chef. The Five Pillars at the heart of everything they do.

But how do you find your own ikigai? How does ikigai contribute to happiness? Neuroscientist and bestselling Japanese writer Ken Mogi provides an absorbing insight into this way of life, incorporating scientific research and first-hand experience, and providing a colourful narrative of Japanese culture and history along the way.

Ken Mogi is a neuroscientist, writer and broadcaster based in Tokyo. He has published more than 30 papers on cognitive and neurosciences, and over 100 books in Japan covering popular science, essay, criticism and self-help. His books have sold close to 1 million copies.

## LITTLE WAYS TO LIVE A BIG LIFE

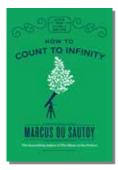


## HOW TO PLAY THE PIANO JAMES RHODES

Where does this mourned and misplaced creativity go? For Rhodes, it's still there to be tapped into by all of us, at any point. This inspirational book gives us the means to do this, by breaking up Bach's seminal Prelude No. I from the Well-Tempered Clavier into manageable segments, teaching us the basics of piano playing and encouraging personal interpretation in a way that is guaranteed to soothe the mind, feed the soul and unleash creative powers we didn't know we still had.All of this will culminate in an ability to perform one of Bach's masterpieces. 21st SEPTEMBER 2017

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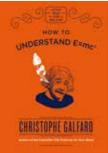
Birds do it, bees do it, even educated fleas do it... Not falling in love, but counting. Animals and humans have been using numbers to navigate their way through the jungle of life ever since we all evolved on this planet. But this book will help you to do something that humans have only recently understood how to do: to count to regions that no animal has ever reached. By the end of this book you'll be able to count to infinity...and beyond. 21st SEPTEMBER 2017

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## HAPPY AS HARRY: A RESCUE DOG SHARES HIS SECRETS FOR DAILY HAPPINESS DEANA LUCHIA

A positive, touching and uplifting book about happiness, written by the perfect life coach - Harry the one-eyed rescue dog.

Happy as Harry is a positive, touching and uplifting book about happiness, written by the perfect life coach - Harry the one-eyed rescue dog, and his owner, Deana Luchia. Perfect for fans of Alfie and George, Haatchi & Little B and The Happiness Project.

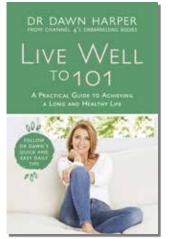
'Dogs know how to be happy. It's what we do best. We cavort, careen, race and chase. Any day can be a good day, an amazing and fabulous day. You have the power to make an ordinary day extraordinary simply by deciding to make it so.' Harry the Dog

Dogs are the happiest creatures in the world. They possess qualities that include their ability to live in the moment, their incredibly loving and playful natures and their innate forgiveness and joie de vivre. So a dog is the perfect narrator for a book about how to be happy. If dogs could share their secrets on happiness, this book is what they would say.

The book is divided into six life-coaching sections: How to be Happy, Love Well & be Well Loved, Happy Families, A Balanced Life, How to be Good and Saying Goodbye.

Harry, along with a group of his closest friends, shows us how dogs approach life in all of these areas, and shares his simple and practical top tips for how we, as humans, can learn from dogs in order to live better, happier lives ('After every bath dry your whole body with a hairdryer'). We may have to dodge some curveballs at times, but there are plenty of challenges that can be overcome and doubts that can be banished by looking at the world through Harry's eyes.

Deana Luchia has a Masters in Professional Writing and is a journalist who writes about parenting, pets, happiness and love. She also blogs about her various rescue dogs. She lives in London with her children and two wise canines, one of whom is Harry.



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## LIVE WELL TO 101: A PRACTICAL GUIDE TO ACHIEVING A

#### LONG AND HEALTHY LIFE

#### DR DAWN HARPER

Start investing in your health now, to improve your chances of enjoying your latter years to the full.

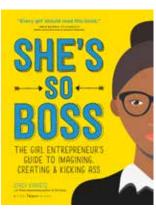
In Live Well to 101, Dr Dawn Harper, from Channel 4's Embarrassing Bodies, urges you to start investing in your health now to improve your chances of enjoying your latter years to the full. This book is for anyone who enjoyed and learnt from *The Longevity Book* by Cameron Diaz or *The Optimum Nutrition Bible* by Patrick Holford.

'We are living longer. A girl born today can expect to live beyond her 83rd birthday, and a boy half way into his 80th year. But living long doesn't necessarily mean living well.'

Life expectancy is on a steep upwards curve; but if we do live longer then we need to do everything we can to make sure that we live well to a ripe old age. This is a book about what the medical obstacles are to a healthy old age and what we can do about them. Dr Dawn offers simple, practical advice alongside case studies of centenarians who live a full and healthy life. There are steps that we can all take, starting now, no matter what age we are each at. It's a bit like a pension; the earlier you invest the more you will have in the bank later. And there are lessons for all generations.

There is nothing in here that will recommend a hideously restrictive diet or living your life as though you are training for a marathon or about to climb Mount Everest. Instead, it's about showing how small, achievable and sustainable changes really can alter your future. With over 21 years in General Practice, Dr Dawn has gained hundreds of simple tips, all of which can make a substantial difference if practiced as part of daily life.

Dr Dawn Harper works as a GP in Stroud, Gloucestershire. She studied at Charing Cross and Westminster Medical School. Since 2007 she has been one of the presenters on Channel 4's Embarrassing Bodies. She also appears regularly on ITV's This Morning, Channel 5's The Wright Stuff and LBC Radio. She has most recently appeared as one of the contestants on the celebrity series of *The Island* with Bear Grylls.



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## SHE'S SO BOSS

#### STACY KRAVETZ

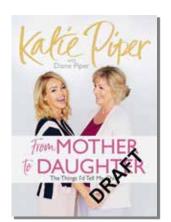
Whether you already have an idea for a business or you're mulling how to turn the things you enjoy into a self-sustaining enterprise, this book will connect the dots. From inspiration to execution, there are concrete steps every young entrepreneur, creator, or leader needs to take, and this book shows you how.

Packed with information and with the profiles of more than a dozen real-life girl bosses who have turned their passions into business, She's So Boss is about thinking big, aiming high, and becoming the boss of your thing, whether it's a blog about baking organic treats or playing guitar and putting your music videos on YouTube.

Specific features of the book include:

- Profiles of some of history's great girl bosses: Eleanor Roosevelt, Madam C.J. Walker, Coco Chanel, Marie Curie, Lena Dunham, Michelle Phan, and others
- Pop-up features, including lists of Ten Fabulous Girl Bosses, Ten Jobs You Wish Existed, Six Turned-Out-to-Be-Awesome Ideas No One Thought Could Make It, Signs You're Heading for an Epic Fail, and more
- Real-life girl boss profiles showing the stages of development of more than a dozen girls who've transformed their visions into action
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Stacy Kravetz is an author, TV scriptwriter, and entrepreneur based in Los Angeles. She is the author of several books, including Welcome to the Real World: You've Got an Education, Now Get a Life!; The Dating Race: An Undercover Report from the Frontlines of Modern Romance; Keep Your Frenemies Close; and Girl Boss: Running the Show Like the Big Chicks (introduction by Gillian Anderson), the book that inspired the She's So Boss web series and multimedia project. It was a Los Angeles Times bestseller and a number-one LA Times Children's Book Bestseller.



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## FROM MOTHER TO DAUGHTER: THE THINGS I'D

#### **TELL MY CHILD**

#### KATIE PIPER WITH DIANE PIPER

An inspiring and empowering book on raising a daughter in the modern world from Katie Piper and her mum Diane

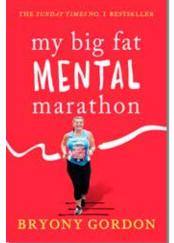
Whether you're only just becoming a mum for the first time or you have children who are growing up faster than you could have ever imagined, motherhood can feel like the most joyful and yet the most daunting of times. But you're not alone.

From the moment I knew my first baby was a girl I started to plan, hope and dream. I couldn't wait to experience that special bond, but I also wondered how I'd feel about being a working mum, how I'd hold on to the person I am. I also knew that the world has changed so much since I was growing up. What advice, values and role models would help give my daughter the confidence and strength to cope with all that might come her way - and to give her an open mind and warm heart? And how would I guide her through the issues girls face today?

This is my journey in motherhood: my experiences, hopes and fears - with my mum's stories of raising me, a parenting expert's advice and empowering exercises - to guide you from those first wobbly moments to being a happy, healthy mum and raising feisty, independent children who aren't afraid to be themselves - and to go for the life they want.

From Mother to Daughter is about motherhood, about what you learn as a mother and the things you would tell your daughter and most of all it's Katie and Diane Piper's celebration of the incredible power of mother-daughter relationships.

Katie Piper is a TV presenter and charity campaigner. In 2008 she survived an attack and her moving, BAFTAnominated Channel 4 documentary *Katie: My Beautiful Face* was watched by 3.5 million viewers and shown in more than 15 countries. Katie founded her own charity, The Katie Piper Foundation and she has received numerous awards and accolades for her charity work, including a prestigious Woman of the Year Award. She is now a presenter on Channel 4 and the author of five books: *Confidence, Beautiful Ever After, Things Get Better, Start Your Day with Katie* and *From Mother to Daughter* publishing in March 2018.



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## MY BIG FAT MENTAL MARATHON

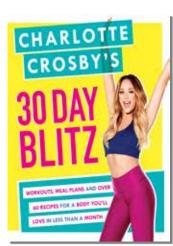
#### BRYONY GORDON

The hilarious and inspirational new memoir from mental health campaigner and *Telegraph* journalist Bryony Gordon.

Bryony Gordon was not a runner. A loafer, a dawdler, a drinker, a smoker, yes. A runner, no. Yet somehow, as she began to recover from the emotional rollercoaster of laying her life bare in her mental health memoir MAD GIRL, she began to realise that getting outside, moving her body and talking to others for whom life was also an occasional challenge, might actually help her. Going for a run might not banish her sadness but at least it might show it that she was damn well trying to beat it, which is sometimes half the battle. As she began to run further she started to see the limitations she had imposed on her life more clearly. Why couldn't she be a runner? Or a bungee jumper? Or a deep sea diver? Maybe rather than sitting on the sofa watching the world go by, fulfilling your dreams was just about standing up and taking that first step. Maybe you can do it too.

In April 2017, less than a year after she had weighed herself at over 16 stone but stepped off the scales and started training anyway, Bryony Gordon ran all 26 and 3/4 miles of the London Marathon. Here, in her new typically funny and hugely inspiring memoir, she shows us how extraordinary things can happen to us all, no matter what life throws at us, if we're just willing to keep going.

In the 18 years that she has worked for *The Telegraph*, Bryony Gordon has become one of the paper's best-loved writers. She is the author of the bestselling *The Wrong Knickers* plus the *Sunday Times* Number One bestseller *Mad Girl* which was nominated for a British Book Award. Her weekly column in the *Sunday Telegraph* has won her an army of fans who have followed her journey from single girl about town to - finally! - settled mum. Bryony is now 37 and lives in Nappy Valley (Clapham) with her baby daughter Edie and her husband, a financial journalist. The last sentence is one she never thought she would see written down on paper.



28th DECEMBER 2017 Trade Paperback, 224 pages

## HEADLINE

## CHARLOTTE CROSBY'S 30-DAY BLITZ: WORKOUT TIPS AND RECIPES FOR A BODY YOU'LL LOVE IN LESS THAN A MONTH

### CHARLOTTE CROSBY

Let Charlotte Crosby help you transform your body into one you love in less than a month.

Let Charlotte Crosby, the nation's favourite TV star and number 1 bestelling author of *ME ME ME* and *Brand New Me*, help you kick start the year with her 30-Day Blitz.

Over-indulged at Christmas? Too many nights getting mortal taken their toll? We've all been there and reality star Charlotte Crosby knows only too well how this can leave us looking and feeling less than our best. The 30-Day Blitz is Charlotte's tried-and-tested plan for getting back on track. Featuring a unique daily exercise plan created by Charlotte's own trainer, David Souter, plus sixty easyto-prepare recipes to fit a busy lifestyle and a food plan to ensure all the vitamins and nutrients you need for the energy to get out there and smash the new year, Charlotte's 30-Day Blitz will leave you not only looking better but feeling better too.

26 year old Charlotte Crosby is the nation's sweetheart. She was the star of MTV's *Geordie Shore* and is a regular fixture in gossip columns and tabloid headlines, but is also loved by her fans for being funny and down to earth. Winner of 2013's *Celebrity Big Brother*, she is also the creator of two hugely successful fitness DVDs and an ambassador of the Ectopic Pregnancy Trust.



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## STRONG: OVER 80 EXERCISES AND 40 RECIPES FOR ACHIEVING A FIT, HEALTHY AND BALANCED

#### ZANNA VAN DIJK

BODY

If you like Kayla Itsines, Joe Wicks, and Clean Eating Alice you'll love Zanna van Dijk.

Ditch the fad diets. Step away from the treadmill. There's another way to get results, and it's all about balance.

Being in great shape doesn't mean depriving yourself or running your body into the ground. In STRONG, personal trainer and Instagram star Zanna Van Dijk busts these myths and reveals her no-fail formula for a powerful, lean physique and lasting health and happiness.

Strong gives you all the motivation and practical tools you need to get started on your fitness journey. Zanna's inspiring and achievable approach to eating well and training effectively features a comprehensive guide to lifting weights, detailed workout routines, sustainable nutrition tips and simple principles of health and wellness. After you've worked up a sweat, her mouthwatering, easy recipes prove that nourishing food isn't just fuel - it can be absolutely delicious and bursting with flavour too.

Make your body STRONG. Move it. Nourish it. Thrive.

Zanna van Dijk is a 23-year-old London-based, Yorkshireborn, qualified personal trainer and nutrition consultant, Instagram star, blogger, vlogger and co-founder of the #girlgains women's fitness and empowerment movement.

## **FOOD AND DRINK**



20th APRIL 2017 Hardback, 256 pages



## FOOD FOR A HAPPY GUT: RECIPES TO CALM, NOURISH AND HEAL

#### NAOMI DEVLIN

This is the first proper cookbook for a happy gut - written by one of the rising stars in the food world

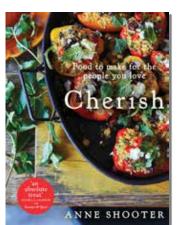
Bestselling author of *River Cottage Gluten Free*, Naomi Devlin's second book, *Food for a Happy Gut*, is full of recipes that will calm your digestion, soothe your gut and delight your tastebuds. Giulia Enders' *Gut* and the work of Tim Spector among others has helped us realise how vital gut health is to our body, brain and mental health. But a gut-friendly diet need not mean the elimination of favourite foods or hard-to-follow diets. Nutritionist and River Cottage teacher, Naomi Devlin will show you how to keep your gut happy.

Move over clean food, this book will take you back to local produce, good home cooking and a wonderfully diverse range of ingredients. Naomi will help you turn your gut into a hub of microbial diversity with lots of plant food, a wide range of meats and fats, plenty of raw cheese, slow-cooking, fermented foods and of course prebiotic and probiotic foods.

First calm your gut. If your gut is sensitive, the first section is full of low FODMAP ingredients, seafood, broths and probiotics to soothe your digestion. Then nourish your gut with beneficial foods full of fibre, pre- and probiotics. And finally there are herbs, pickles and teas full of healing properties to stimulate and regulate digestion when you need a little extra help.

Neither strict plan or dogma, Naomi's recipes are based on plain good sense and proper science. Food for a Happy Gut will feed both your tastebuds and your microbes, leaving you content inside and out.

Naomi Devlin is a nutritionist, fermentista and foodie. She has taught at River Cottage for 6 years, where her glutenfree and nutrition courses are always fully booked. Naomi's first book, *River Cottage Gluten Free*, is one of the brightest and most successful books on gluten-free cooking and in this, her second book, Naomi focuses on keeping your gut healthy and happy.



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## CHERISH: FOOD TO MAKE FOR THE PEOPLE YOU LOVE

#### ANNE SHOOTER

Recipes to make for the people you love - inspired by my Jewish family.

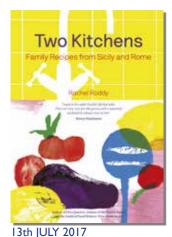
One of my favourite childhood memories is going round to my grandparents' house in London's East End on a Friday afternoon with my mum and brothers, waiting for my dad and aunts, uncles and cousins to arrive for dinner.

And now, every Friday, like my mum, and my grandma, and her mother before her, I prepare a traditional, Jewish Friday night dinner for my family. But this book isn't only aimed at Jewish people. That's my background and where my food comes from, but it is also food that is easy to cook and delicious to eat.

And it's not just for Friday nights. It's whenever we have friends or family over - a Sunday lunch of salt beef and latkes with coleslaw and pickles, a fish stew from my childhood in Aldeburgh, a delicately poached whole salmon with a variety of salads or a watermelon, feta and mint concoction, inspired by the beach food of Tel Aviv.

Ultimately, although this will be a book inspired by my Jewish roots, it is a book of food to make for people you love.

Anne Shooter's first book, Sesame & Spice, is shortlisted for the Guild of Food Writers' First Book Award. Anne is a food writer, recipe columist and blogger for the Daily Mail and Anne has also written for Delicious, the Jewish Chronicle, the Guardian and Women and Home and has also appeared at food festivals including Gefiltefest, the Oxford Foodie Festival and Aldeburgh.



FIVE QUARTERS

Hardback, 256 pages





#### RACHEL RODDY

From the winner of the André Simon and Guild of Food Writers comes a book of sumptuous recipes, flavours and stories from two kitchens in Sicily and Rome.

For ten years Rachel Roddy immersed herself in the culture of Roman cooking, but it was the flavours of the south that she and her Sicilian partner Vincenzo often craved sun-ripened tomatoes, lemons, capers, anchovies, oregano, almonds, oranges - the quintessential ingredients of Sicilian cooking.

Eventually the chance arose to spend more time at Vincenzo's old family house in a flat-roofed industrial town in south-east Sicily, and with it the opportunity to embrace the recipes, culture and food stories of the family's past.

Making the best of fresh, seasonal ingredients, these are the simple, everyday family recipes that emerge from these two distant but connected kitchens in Sicily and Rome. From tomato and salted ricotta salad, caponata and baked Sicilian pasta to lemon crumble, honeyed peaches and almond and chocolate cake, they are the recipes that you will want to cook again and again until you've made them your own.

Rachel Roddy comes from just north of London but has lived in Testaccio, a distinctive working-class quarter of Rome, for over ten years. She shares a small flat near the food market with her partner Vincenzo and son Luca. She cooks and writes, and has a weekly column in Guardian Cook. Rachel's first book *Five Quarters* won the André Simon Food Book award in 2015, as well as the Guild of Food Writers' First Book award.



#### COVER TO BE REVEALED

31st MAY 2018 Hardback, 288 pages



## JOHN TORODE'S SYDNEY TO SEOUL: MY FOOD JOURNEY FROM AUSTRALIA TO THE FAR EAST

### JOHN TORODE

*Masterchef* John Torode embarks on a food odyssey from Australia to Asia, creating delicious recipes that combine his straightforward Aussie cooking with the fantastic flavours of Malaysia, Thailand, Korea and China.

John Torode is the masterchef of Australia and the Far East - his knowledge and passion will excite and inspire anyone who loves a Thai curry, nasi goreng or Aussie brunch. If you love Rick Stein's adventuring spirit, you will love John's combination of fantastic flavours and straightforward home cooking.

John's food is uncomplicated, quick and easy, but always full of flavour, fun and perfect for family feasts or social gatherings. In this new book, John creates fresh Aussie breakfast dishes, delicious bowls of noodles and ramen, Asian rice and curries as well as barbecues influenced by both Sydney beaches and Korean bulgogi. Not forgetting his own trademark fusion of flavours that bring together the best of both worlds.

If you love this part of the world, let the King of Australasia take you on a gastronomic tour!

John Torode is one of the UK's best-loved chefs and known to millions as the judge of BBC One's *MasterChef*, *Celebrity MasterChef* and *Junior MasterChef*. His series on Australia and on Malaysia consistently draw the highest viewing figures for the Good Food Channel. John's previous books, *Beef and Chicken*, celebrated his love of good meat, and especially rare breeds, and John has built strong relationships with farmers and suppliers in the UK.



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## SINGLE MALT: A GUIDE TO THE WHISKIES OF SCOTLAND— INCLUDES PROFILES, RATINGS, AND TASTING NOTES FOR MORE THAN 300 EXPRESSIONS

#### CLAY RISEN

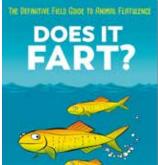
A curated yet comprehensive primer of the single-malt whiskies any growing aficionado needs to be familiar with.

A follow-up to American Whiskey, Bourbon & Rye: A Guide to the Nation's Favorite Spirit, this book is an introduction to the history, science, and diversity of malted whisky. With maps of important whisky regions of Scotland, profiles of each of the makers, and a full bottle shot and tasting notes for each of the most widely available expressions, you'll learn as much about single-malt whisky as you already know about whiskey, bourbon, and rye.

With over a hundred active distilleries in Scotland, the 300 expressions featured in this book provide a curated yet comprehensive primer of the single-malt whiskies any growing aficionado needs to be familiar with. Additional features include a directory of distilleries, Risen's top picks in various categories of single-malt whisky, and a full index of the expressions features in the book.

Clay Risen is an editor at *The New York Times*, where he has written extensively on whiskey, rum, and other spirits. He has also written for *Smithsonian, The Atlantic*, and *The Washington Post*. He wrote *American Whiskey, Bourbon & Rye: A Guide to the Nation's Favorite Spirit* in 2013. Risen grew up in Nashville, Tennessee, and now lives in Brooklyn, New York, with his wife and two young children.

## **POPULAR SCIENCE**



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## DOES IT FART?: THE DEFINITIVE FIELD GUIDE TO ANIMAL FLATULENCE NICK CARUSO & DANI RABAIOTTI

The ultimate guide to animal flatulence: the perfect gift for anyone who has ever farted.

Dogs do it. Millipedes do it. Dinosaurs did it. You do it: I do it. Octopuses don't (and nor do octopi). Spiders might do it: more research is needed. Birds don't do it, but they could if they wanted to. Herrings do it to communicate with each other.

At the beginning of 2017, an innocent question on twitter about snakes formed the hashtag #doesitfart and spread pungently across the internet - and major newspapers - as dozens of experts weighed in on which animals do and don't fart, and if they do, how much, how often, what it's made of, what it smells like, and what it's for.

Does it Fart? is the result: the fully authoritative, fully illustrated guide to animal flatulence, covering the habits of 80 animals in more detail than you ever knew you needed.What foods make hyena farts smell especially bad? What is a fossa, and does it fart? Why do clams vomit but not fart? What is a fart, anyway? With contributions from dozens of biologists, Does it Fart? is a book that will allow you to shift the blame onto all kinds of unlikely animals for years to come.

Dani Rabaiotti is a PhD candidate and zoologist who studies African wild dogs and climate change at London Zoo.

Nick Caruso is a PhD student and salamander expert at the University of Alabama.



18th APRIL 2018 Hardback, 480 pages

## THE DEEP BLUE SEA: WEIRD FISHES AND WHY WE SHOULD CARE FOR THEM ALEX ROGERS

There's so much we don't know about what lies deep beneath the ocean's surface - and the time to find out is growing increasingly precious... From one of the world's leading experts in marine biology and oceanology comes The Deep Blue Sea - Weird Fishes and Why We Should Care for Them.

Professor Alex Rogers is one of the world's leading experts in marine biology and oceanology, and has spent his life studying the deep ocean - and in particular the impact of human activity on the ecosystems of the oceans.

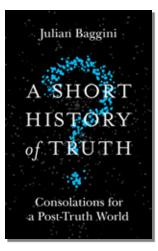
In this timely, galvanising and fascinating book - replete with stunning photography of strange and beautiful creatures -Professor Rogers offers a fundamentally optimistic view of humanity's relationship with the oceans - and also a very personal account of his own interaction with the seas.

Alex Rogers is the Professor of Conservation Biology at the Department of Zoology at Oxford University and a Fellow of Somerville College.

He has also been involved UN International Seabed Authority, UN Division of Oceans and Law of the Sea, the IUCN and with the G8+5 Global Legislators Organisation for a Balanced Environment (GLOBE) as a Commissioner for the Commission on Land Use Change and Ecosystems.

Professor Rogers is also Scientific Director of The International Programme on State of the Ocean and has worked for other NGOs including the WWF, Greenpeace and the Deep-Sea Conservation Coalition.

He is without doubt one of the world's leading minds on the oceans. This is his first book.



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## A SHORT HISTORY OF TRUTH: CONSOLATIONS FOR A POST-TRUTH WORLD JULIAN BAGGINI

The thinking person's tonic for our troubling times

How did we find ourselves in a "post-truth" world of "alternative facts"? And can we get out of it? A Short History of Truth sets out to answer these questions by looking at the complex history of truth and falsehood. It identifies ten types of supposed truth and explains how easily each can become the midwife of falsehood. There is no species of truth that we can rely on unquestioningly, but that does not mean the truth can never be established. Attaining truth is an achievement we need to work for, and each chapter will end up with a truth we can have some confidence in.

This history builds into a comprehensive and clear explanation of why truth is now so disputed by exploring 10 kinds of truth: Eternal truths, Authoritative truths, Esoteric truths, Reasoned truths, Evidence-based truths, Creative truths, Relative truths, Powerful truths, Moral truths and Holistic truths.

Baggini provides us with all we need to restore faith in the value and possibility of truth as a social enterprise. Truthseekers need to be sceptical not cynical, autonomous not atomistic, provisional not dogmatic, open not empty, demanding not unreasonable.

Julian Baggini is the founding editor of *The Philosophers' Magazine*. He has a PhD on the philosophy of personal identity and is the author, co-author or editor of over twenty books including *The Pig That Wants to be Eaten*, *The Ego Trick*, *Welcome to Everytown*, *The Virtues of the Table* (all Granta), and most recently *The Edge of Reason* (Yale). He has written for numerous newspapers and magazines, as well as for the think-tanks *The Institute of Public Policy Research, Demos* and *Counterpoint*. His website is www. microphilosophy.net



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## READING BETWEEN THE LINES: WHAT YOUR HANDWRITING SAYS ABOUT YOU EMMA BACHE

Are you creative with a strong imagination? Or easily distracted and oversensitive? Or perhaps you have a strong physical and sexual drive? Your handwriting will reveal all!

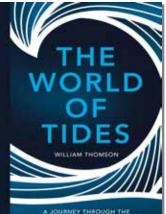
Handwriting is something of a dying art nowadays, as we tap messages to each other day after day. But handwriting analysis can divulge everything from a person's timidity to their ambition, from their desire to please to their need to control. In fact, so revealing is your writing that in Japan all CVs are still written by hand.

Written by the UK's leading handwriting expert, Reading Between the Lines will show you how to judge someone's handwriting as a whole and how to examine it in detail. Because every aspect of penmanship - the height of an 'h', the curliness of a 'g', the pressure of the pen on the paper - is a collection of signals that we are giving out without meaning to. The way we write can tell the world a huge amount; sometimes more than the things we write about.

It can expose how we interact with the world and the people around us, and also how we cope with stress and express emotions. It can help us make choices for our future, showing us what our desires are, and even what jobs and partners may suit us best.

Using real-life examples, including celebrity samples, readers will be challenged to put their new-found knowledge to the test. By the end of the book you will have amassed a wealth of knowledge that will help you understand human nature - including your own - in all its colours.

The UK's leading handwriting expert, Emma Bache has worked as a graphologist since 1989, analysing handwriting in both the Corporate and Private sectors. With additional qualifications in Psychotherapy and Hypnotherapy, Emma has helped to solve cases of fraud for both private individuals and the Corporate world, giving a valuable insight into the criminal mind. She has had her own columns in *The Times* and the *Financial Times* and has written for other major publications such as the *Daily Mail*, the *Daily Telegraph*, the *Guardian* and *Cosmopolitan*. She has made frequent TV and Radio appearances, including *GMTV's This Morning, BBC's History Hunter* and Radio 4's *Today Programme*.



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## THE WORLD OF TIDES WILLIAM THOMSON

A journey round the world's most extraordinary coasts and seas.

In The Book of Tides, William Thomson took the reader on a mesmerising journey round the coast of Britain. Now, he sets out with his surfboard and tidal compass to encounter the waters of the world, charting his most extraordinary sights and experiences. These include the whirlpools of the Arctic circle, the world's biggest ever surfed wave off Portugal, the strongest whirlpool in Norway and, in Australia, the most dangerous rapids known to us.

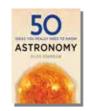
With the enticing combination of William's passionate text and collectable mapping illustrations, this is a book for anyone who feels the pull of the tides and call of the sea.

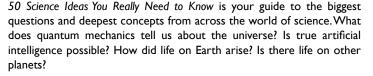
William Thomson is an artist, author and oceanographer. He runs the website tidalcompass.com where he produces hand-illustrated tidal charts. He lives wherever the water is best.

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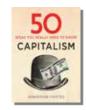
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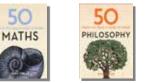
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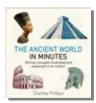




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The brain is considered the most complex structure in all of creation. But recent discoveries in neuroscience are now revealing the inner secrets of the brain - how it works, why it makes us who we are and what happens when it goes wrong.

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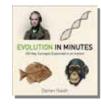
The Solar System in Minutes explains the history and features of all the major celestial bodies, including the Sun, Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, the planets' main moons, the asteroids, comets, dwarf planets and the Kuiper belt; as well as the birth, evolution and science of the solar system and the story - and future - of its exploration.

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How did life begin? What is the theory of evolution and is it proven? Are we really descended from apes? And has evolution stalled or is humanity just a step on the way to more advanced forms of life? In *Evolution in Minutes*, Darren Naish answers these and many other fundamental questions on the most controversial topic of all. Evolution in Minutes concisely covers the concepts, rival theories, history and politics of evolution, as well as explaining the development of life across deep time as revealed by the fossil record, from the earliest bacteria via dinosaurs and Neanderthals to humankind and beyond.



Retold here in *Myths in Minutes* are nearly 200 myths - from Prometheus defying Zeus to create man to the destruction of Troy; and from valiant battles against Frost Giants and Cyclopes to the heroic quests for the Golden Fleece and Holy Grail - including a commentary on their origins, common themes and meanings. Compellingly written, concise and with each myth illustrated with an iconic image, Myths in Minutes is the perfect way to understand and enjoy the world's major fables.

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## UNTITLED AUTOBIOGRAPHY

## STEVE BRUCE

The legendary Manchester United captain, and experienced manager, with a fascinating account of his time at Old Trafford under Sir Alex Ferguson, as well as the rest of his more than 35 years in the game.

Steve Bruce was already a seasoned centre-half when Sir Alex Ferguson signed him for Manchester United in 1987. He spent nine seasons at United in a period that sparked the club's dominance of English football, and he has a great many fascinating things to say about that phase of his career.

Forming the bed-rock of the United chapters are insights and stories galore that speak to the character, training methods and man-management techniques of Ferguson and the culture of success he created within the football club, giving United fans an unparalleled assessment of life at Old Trafford at that time.

Bruce also liberally sprinkles his autobiography with honest and insightful portraits of many of his legendary team-mates: from Bryan Robson, Norman Whiteside and Denis Irwin, to Peter Schmeichel, Eric Cantona, Paul Ince and Roy Keane, to Gary Neville, Paul Scholes, Ryan Giggs and David Beckham.

Of course, Bruce is now a manager with seven clubs, and 800 matches, to his name. In his later chapters he provides an intriguing assessment of the changing face of the football management. He discuss interesting topics such as: scouting; training methods and facilities; salaries and contracts; transfers and the transfer window; playing styles; the media; fans' expectations; incessant pressure; the threat of relegation; the influx of foreign players; player power; agents; boardroom politics; the England team.

It all adds up to one of the most thoughtful and stimulating football books for years.

Born in Northumberland in 1960, Steve Bruce played for Gillingham and Norwich City before being signed by Sir Alex Ferguson for Manchester United. He quickly became Sir Alex's captain and talisman, leading United to three Premier League titles, two FA Cups, one League Cup and one European Cup Winners' Cup. Bruce became a true Old Trafford legend in his 9-year spell in Manchester.



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## OLD TOO SOON, WISE TOO LATE: MY STORY

#### KIERON DYER AND OLIVER HOLT

The first intimate, honest, unsparing portrait of the failures and excesses of the 'Baby Bentley generation' of English footballers.

Kieron Dyer's memoir, *Old Too Soon, Wise Too Late*, is the first intimate and unsparing portrait of the failures and excesses of the generation of English footballers made rich beyond their wildest dreams by the post-1990 World Cup boom in the game and the explosion of the Premier League. It shares the same brutal honesty and self-awareness of the bestselling No Nonsense by Joey Barton and GoodFella by Craig Bellamy.

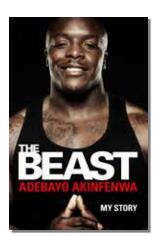
In the public mind, Kieron Dyer came to symbolise so much of what was self-destructive about a group of football players known collectively as the 'Baby Bentley generation'. Nicknamed 'The King of Bling' by the tabloid press, Dyer was caught up in many of the scandals that characterised the history of a talented crop of players who promised so much and delivered so little, a generation whose wages and lavish lifestyles began to alienate them from the fans who once worshipped them.

The brash young man is gone now, and in his place is the quiet, caring, wise man who was such a favourite on l'm a Celebrity, Get me Out of Here! in 2015. Dyer narrates, in uncompromising detail, how a generation of talented English footballers, taken out of working class childhoods and presented with a world of glitz, glamour, wealth and temptation, failed to cope with the riches that were presented to them and often fell apart.

Old Too Soon, Wise Too Late is about a moment in time, a social and historical record of English football at the start of its gold rush. For Dyer, the end of the book brings a measure of personal redemption and peace but for the English game, there is only a lingering sense of waste and regret for an opportunity lost.

Oliver Holt is Chief Sport Writer at the Mail on Sunday. His previous books include Miracle at Medinah and GoodFella, with Craig Bellamy.

In an 18-year career in professional football, Kieron Dyer played for Ipswich Town, Newcastle United, West Ham United, QPR and Middlesbrough. He won 33 caps for England.



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## THE BEAST: MY STORY

#### ADEBAYO AKINFENWA

An uproarious and inspiring autobiography from Adebayo Akinfenwa (AKA The Beast), football's biggest cult hero.

For fans of books by Jimmy Bullard, Paul Merson, The Sidemen and the F2 Freestylers

Messi might be the most skilful, Ronaldo might have the best shot, but according to FIFA it's 16-stone Adebayo Akinfenwa who's the strongest footballer in the world.

With a larger-than-life personality to match, it's no wonder 'The Beast' has become an icon, attracting millions of social media followers, launching his own clothing label, and still banging in the goals for Wycombe Wanderers.

With such fame and adoration, it's easy to forget that Bayo is one of the hardest-working footballers around. His mental strength has had to be equal to his physical. Told by English clubs he was 'too big' to play football, he joined Lithuanian team FK Atlantas as a teenager where he faced widespread racial abuse. A career of grafting in the lower leagues of English and Welsh football followed, with spells at Barry Town, Torquay, Swansea, Gillingham, Northampton and AFC Wimbledon. Bayo's charisma and knack of scoring vital goals made him a fan favourite at each.

His last ever kick for the Dons was a penalty at Wembley to help win the club promotion. 'I think I'm technically unemployed,' he told an interviewer after the final whistle. 'So any managers hit me up on the WhatsApp and get me a job!'

Inspiring, entertaining and full of character, this is the story of how Akinfenwa became a true cult hero and the nevergive-up attitude that made him the biggest footballer on the planet.



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## THE WORLD ACCORDING TO FOGGY

#### CARL FOGARTY

A wonderfully pulsating and entertaining flat-out charge through the marvellous world of bikes, bike racing and life in general by Carl Fogarty, the legendary World Superbikes icon.

Published to coincide with the thirtieth anniversary of Carl Fogarty's debut in *World Superbikes, The World According to Foggy* will delight the legions of motor sport fans in the UK and beyond, and will be lapped by those who have enjoyed books by Valentino Rossi, Guy Martin, Michael Dunlop, John McGuinness, Ian Hutchinson and Freddie Spencer.

Foggy's scintillating new book takes his fans into the memory banks of this most charismatic and straighttalking of sporting icons, transporting them into the weird and wonderful world of this endearingly quirky hero of the track.

The World According to Foggy contains lashings of adrenalinefuelled bikes and electrifying bike racing, thrills and spills galore, but it will also reveal the man behind the helmet, his passions and frustrations, what makes him still leap out of bed in the morning and seize the day - ultimately, what makes this great man tick and explains his enduring popularity.

Carl Fogarty is an ocean-going, fur-lined, five-star icon of motor sport. And a national treasure to boot, following his triumph in 2014's I'm a Celebrity...Get Me Out of Here!.

The 51-year-old legend is the most successful World Superbikes rider in the history of the sport, winning four World Championship titles - in 1994, 1995, 1998 and 1999 - before injury called time on his illustrious career in 2000.

Forming an unstoppable partnership with the iconic Ducati team, and also riding for Honda, Fogarty won 59 races in 12 seasons and in the process carved himself a seat at motor sport's top table. He also enjoyed huge success in the Isle of Man TT.



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## HISTORY OF PROFESSIONAL WRESTLING

#### JIM SMALLMAN

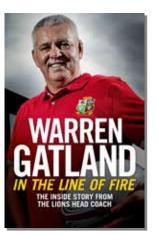
A complete history of professional wrestling, from its beginnings at the turn of the twentieth century as a legitimate sport, to it becoming a staple of televised entertainment and the popculture juggernaut that it now is.

History of Professional Wrestling will be of interest to both enthusiastic and casual wrestling fans, and explain the phenomenon to anyone who is completely new to the subject.

This book will focus on the characters, the fandom, the growth and the weird and wonderful, all told with a sense of humour.

Jim Smallman has been a wrestling fan for over thirty years and in that time he's gained an almost encyclopaedic knowledge of the subject. His stories and facts will blow the minds of anyone new to professional wrestling.

Jim Smallman is a comedian, writer, podcaster, voice artist and wrestling promoter. He has taken several shows to the Edinburgh Fringe, including 2009's *The Boy Next Door Gone Wrong* (winner of Best Comedy Performance and Best International Show at the 2010 Hollywood Fringe in Los Angeles, and nominated for best debut show at the 2009 Leicester Comedy Festival. He has written articles and opinion pieces for various publications including *The Guardian, The Daily Mirror, The Leicester Mercury, Metal Hammer* and FSM.



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## IN THE LINE OF FIRE: THE INSIDE STORY FROM THE LIONS HEAD COACH

#### WARREN GATLAND

The ultimate insider's story of the most thrilling and epic British & Irish Lions tour to New Zealand for generations.

Warren Gatland's *In the Line of Fire* is the ultimate chronicle of this summer's remarkable Lions tour to New Zealand - home of the fearsome All Blacks, the double world champions - which culminated in an historic and nerve-shredding series draw.

The book is the Head Coach's wonderfully candid and vibrant record of the withering ferocity, the turbulent peaks and troughs, the triumphs and despairs, of one of sport's toughest challenges.

It gives rugby fans an unparalleled front-row seat with the squad and coaching team during every facet of preparing for and executing a successful tour on the opposite side of the planet, recounting intriguing details on everything from pre-tour planning and strategy, to on-tour experiences, analysis and decision-making.

It all adds up to a thrillingly definitive exposition and postmortem of a mind-blowing six weeks in the cauldron which forged the mighty All Blacks.

Warren Gatland played rugby for the provincial side Waikato for eight years, and made 17 non-international appearances for the All Blacks, before turning to coaching.

He was the Head Coach of the British & Irish Lions squad which recorded an epic and thrilling Test series draw this summer against the mighty All Blacks. The result was the first time the Lions had not lost a series in New Zealand since 1971.

Gatland also led the Lions on their triumphant tour of Australia in 2013, and he served as Assistant Coach on the 2009 tour of South Africa.

He has been Head Coach of Wales since 2007, and in that time the Welsh have won the Grand Slam twice and the Six Nations three times.

During his career, Gatland has also coached Connacht and the Irish national team, as well as Wasps.



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# A LIFE IN RUGBY - MY STORY

## SEAN FITZPATRICK

The All Black rugby legend with the story of a career forged in the white-hot crucible of the world's most successful sports team.

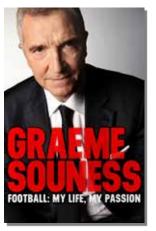
Sean Fitzpatrick is a bona fide rugby institution.

The All Blacks have always been the benchmark against which all national rugby teams must judge themselves, and Sean Fitzpatrick is one of their most decorated and iconic talismans.

In his new book he will evocatively recount the key moments of triumph and despair from a monumental eleven-year international career. Intriguingly, he will vividly render on the page the unique culture, traditions, pride and mind-set of this most mythical and successful of sports teams. He will take rugby fans onto the training fields, into the dressing-rooms and the Test Match arenas, to bring to life the very essence of what it means to pull on the most famous jersey in world rugby.

Published to coincide with the first England-New Zealand Test for three years, and just twelve months ahead of the next World Cup in Japan, A Rugby Life - My Story will intrigue, inform and delight, and rekindle the fire in the belly of rugby fans the world over.

Sean Fitzpatrick was awarded 92 caps by the All Blacks between 1986 and 1997 (then a record), won the inaugural World Cup in 1987, captained his country to a series victory over the British & Irish Lions in 1993 and to the World Cup final in 1995, and in the process secured himself a permanent place amongst the pantheon of the very greatest All Blacks of all time.



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## GRAEME SOUNESS – FOOTBALL: MY LIFE, MY PASSION

#### **GRAEME SOUNESS**

A perceptive and opinionated autobiography, and an assessment of the state of the game which has been Graeme Souness' lifetime passion, drawing extensively on his incredible experience as a player, manager and pundit.

Graeme Souness is a Glasgow Rangers icon, and a Liverpool legend in the same bracket as Kenny Dalglish, Steven Gerrard and Jamie Carragher.

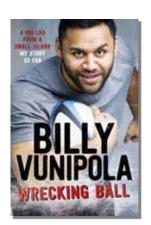
He has racked up getting on for fifty years in and around the world of professional football. The game has been his life, and his enduring passion.

Souness has written a perceptive and opinionated autobiography. It chronicles one of the most successful and colourful careers in the history of British football. But it also provides an intriguing assessment of the game which has dominated his existence, drawing extensively on his incredibly rich and varied experiences as a player, manager and pundit.

The result is a shrewd, incisive and hard-hitting memoir, at times tinged with hindsight and regret, which also grapples with many of the major talking points affecting the game today. It is shot through with Souness' trademark tenacity and wisdom, and with fantastic anecdotes from his glittering career.

In many ways, Football: My Life, My Passion is the story of the last half-century of British football writ large.

Graeme Souness was born in Edinburgh in 1953. His career begun as an apprentice at Tottenham Hotspur under Bill Nicholson, after which he spent six seasons at Middlesbrough and won a promotion to the First Division in 1973-74. His seven seasons at Liverpool brought incredible success, including three European Cups, five First Division championships and four League Cups. Skippering the team for much of his time at Anfield, he made 358 appearances and scored 56 goals before leaving for Sampdoria in Italy in 1984. He won the Coppa Italia there, for the first time in the Genoa club's history. He returned to Britain in 1986 as player-manager of Rangers, ushering in 'The Souness Revolution' and bringing with it three Scottish Premier Division titles and four Scottish Cups.



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## WRECKING BALL: A BIG LAD FROM A SMALL ISLAND - MY STORY SO

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#### **BILLY VUNIPOLA**

The very first book by Billy Vunipola, the star of England's rugby union team, and one of the finest players in the world today.

Wrecking Ball is a captivating and humorous memoir by Billy Vunipola, one of the stars of England's recent rugby renaissance, and will be enjoyed by those who have read the recent autobiographies by Jonny Wilkinson, Brian O'Driscoll, Dan Carter and Paul O'Connell.

Standing at 6 feet 2 inches and weighing amost 20 stone,

Billy is a rampaging and unmissable presence on the rugby pitch, for both club and country.

Wrecking Ball is his captivating story so far, chronicling his remarkable personal odyssey of 10,000 miles, from the tiny Tongan village of Longo Longo to the imposing vastness of Twickenham.

Join Billy on his journey from the year-round sunshine of Tonga to the bitter cold of a British winter, from his favourite Pontypool kebab shop to finding himself eating broccoli for breakfast, and from carefree childhood games in the middle of the Pacific to the serious business of playing professional rugby in Europe.

Wrecking Ball is a wonderfully eccentric and witty book, written with bags of charm. It captures Billy's colourful family and upbringing, and creates a rounded and fascinating portrait of a young man finding his feet as a modern English rugby player.

After a spell at Wasps, Billy Vunipola joined Saracens in 2013 and has never looked back. His England debut followed that same year, and he has already won 34 caps at the tender age of 24. After a disappointing World Cup in 2015, England - with Vunipola as the spearhead - swept to their first Grand Slam for thirteen years in the 2016 Six Nations.

## PLAYFAIR CRICKET ANNUAL 2018

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The cricket world's bestselling pocket annual. The indispensable guide to the season.

Edited by Ian Marshall, the Playfair Cricket Annual 2018 includes coverage of the 2017 season, including the Specsavers County Championship, Royal London One-Day Cup and the NatWest T20 Blast.

It also contains: a detailed register of all current first-class county players and umpires; county records and 2017 firstclass averages; current county players' first-class and List A limited-overs career records; Test match scores and averages (April 2017-March 2018); women's International records, plus England players' register; register of probable touring teams and series records; 2018 fixtures, including 2nd XI and Minor Counties.

Ian Marshall published sports books for more than 20 years, including 15 editions of the Playfair Cricket Annual, before going on to write books himself.

## TUFFERS' CRICKET HALL OF FAME:

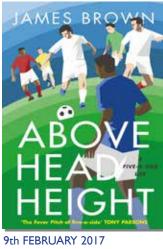
#### PHIL TUFNELL

The latest insightful, entertaining and downright hilarious book from the cricket legend and national treasure.

Phil Tufnell, cricket legend and national treasure, has populated his very own Cricket Hall of Fame with a deliciously eclectic collection of cricket legends and offbeat characters, with joyful results.

From boyhood heroes, to legendary team-mates, to fearsome opponents, to idiosyncratic umpires and broadcasters, Tuffers has gathered together the most enchanting cast of cricketing figures every assembled.

Phil Tufnell, aka "Tuffers", played 42 Test matches and 20 One-Day Internationals for England between 1990 and 1997. Following retirement in 2002, Tufnell became a hugely popular TV personality.



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## ABOVE HEAD HEIGHT: A FIVE-A-SIDE LIFE IAMES BROWN

A must-have for anyone who has ever played and enjoyed amateur football.

James Brown has been playing football since growing up in the backstreets of Leeds. The sudden death of one his long-standing team mates made James ponder the unique bond between men who meet each other once a week for years, but don't know any personal details beyond pitch prowess.

Five-a-Side football is where you play the beautiful game for love, not money. You play it for life and you play it everywhere. Your kit is damp and your legs are a leopard's back of bruises. Shirts are often tight around the belly, with your hero's name plastered across your shoulder blades. The showers are too cold in winter and too hot in summer.

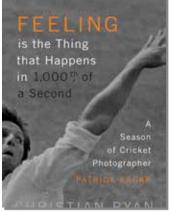
Your used sports bag stays unpacked in the hall, and your water bottles are under the kitchen sink. The post-match warm down takes place in the pub. As does the match analysis. By contrast the warm up is non-existent. Your performance is patchy and maybe not what it used to be. But we all still think we played great. Five-a-Side is sporting Karaoke - a time and place to live out our dreams.

This is a book for all of us - school mates, work colleagues, total strangers - bonded by the desire to blast one into the net from two feet away.

James Brown worked on the NME, founded loaded, Jack and Leeds, Leeds, Leeds magazines, and was Editor-in-Chief of British GQ. He is a media entrepreneur, journalist and hosts a weekly show on talkSPORT. He is now down to three matches a week.



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## 'FEELING IS THE THING THAT HAPPENS IN I000TH OF A SECOND': A SEASON OF CRICKET PHOTOGRAPHER PATRICK

## EAGAR

#### CHRISTIAN RYAN

A book which centres on the most significant all-time figure in cricket words and pictures, photographer Patrick Eagar

In 1975 Patrick Eagar took some photographs which were unlike any cricket photographs anyone had seen before.

It was the summer of an Ashes and a World Cup (cricket's first), a near last-gasp summer before revolution when cricket was still a sport of helmetless faces and green fields with no advertising paint on them. A clamour of rare glamour descended on England: Thommo and D.K., baby-cheeked Viv Richards, careworn David Steele, lithe supercat Clive Lloyd, the Chappell brothers, Andy Roberts, Tony Greig, Doug Walters, trails of cigarette smoke gusting in his wake. From this raw material, a thirty-one-year-old with an expired Sports Illustrated subscription and a love of long lenses found something almost magical.

Eagar's pictures reveal that "feeling is the thing that happens in 1000th of a second". So this is a cricket book about photography and what it can do - tell the future and show human beings in ways not available to our eyes. It is part detective story, (and reconstruction of one of cricket's greatest summers), part biography, part wildroaming conversation, part essay on the power of the image, myth and reality. It shows Christian Ryan as one of the most elegant and perceptive writers on sport today.

With seventy black-and-white and colour photographs by Patrick Eagar and other seminal photographers, it is is essential reading (and looking) for ardent fans and will exhilarate those who know nothing about cricket.

Christian Ryan is one of the most stylish and intelligent of writers on the sport today. He was awarded UK Cricket Book of the Year in 2010 for *Golden Boy*, his book on Kim Hughes's tempestuous period as Captain of the Australian Cricket team.

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