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Dear Reader,

Spring is traditionally the time for throwing open windows and welcoming in the new. Unbound's 2024 list is no exception as we welcome Becky Holmes's debut – *Keanu Reeves is Not in Love with You*, a hilarious if jaw-dropping account of her adventures in the strange new world of online romance scammers.

Anyone wanting to know why we find the self-delusion that fills Becky's book so funny, need look no further than Joel Morris's *Be Funny or Die* – an attempt to pin down why and how laughter works (as the co-creator of the Ladybird Books for Grown-Ups, he knows whereof he speaks).

Bringing the energy of humour to contemporary politics, Russ Jones is back with his follow-up to the bestselling *A Decade in Tory*. A forensic catalogue of the scarcely believable incompetence that was Britain in 2022, it's called *Four Chancellors and a Funeral (or How to Lose a Country in Ten Days)*. Read it and weep.

Spring is a time for making as well as laughing, and we have two wonderfully practical books on the list. Sarah Corbett, the high priestess of 'gentle protest' returns with her *Craftivist Collective Handbook*, which contains step-by-step guides to twenty craft projects to help make a positive difference in the world, while the activist and former leader of the UK Green Party, Natalie Bennett delivers *Change Everything*, a manifesto-cum-practical guide to how we can innovate our way to freedom, prosperity, health and resilience.

Unbound Firsts is about nurturing new writers of colour and we are delighted welcome two debutant novelists: Iqbal Hussain with *Northern Boy*, the story of the rise to fame of Rafi, a young, gay Muslim boy obsessed with ABBA; and Zahra Barri with *Daughters of the Nile*, which explores themes of queerness, revolution and Islamic sisterhood through three generations of Egyptian/British women.

No Unbound catalogue would be complete without anthologies and this season brings two powerful additions: Kat Brown's *No One Talks About This Stuff: Twenty-Two Stories of Almost Parenthood*, recording first-hand experiences of infertility and baby loss; and *Free Loaves on Fridays*, edited by Rebekah Pierre, a powerful collection of stories, reflections and letters by care-experienced people.

The diversity of human experience is a constant theme in our publishing and this catalogue is bursting with it: *What Makes a Mum*, @Notafictionalmum's brutally honest account of her path to motherhood; *Ending the Pursuit*, Michael Paramo's liberating study of asexuality; *In Between* Maud Blair's account of growing up in 1950s segregated Rhodesia; *Where Are the Fellows Who Cut the Hay?*, Robert Ashton's ode to British rural traditions of the past and why we need to reconnect to them; and the final volume in Chris Bonello's ground-breaking *Underdogs* series, featuring neurodiverse heroes.

Welcome to Unbound – where there is genuinely a book for everyone!

John Mitchinson, Publisher

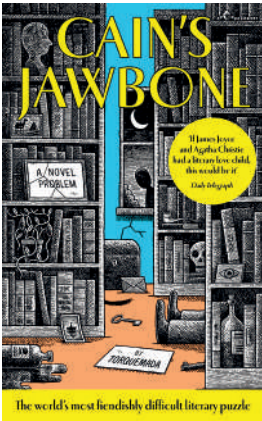
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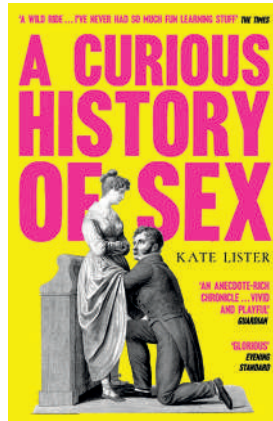


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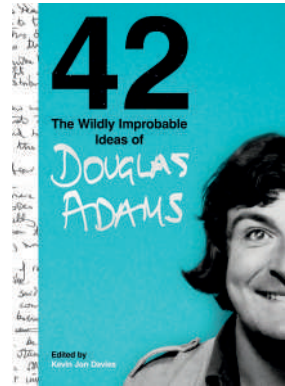
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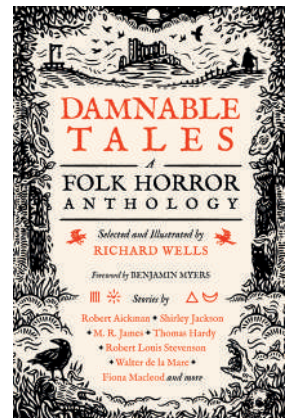
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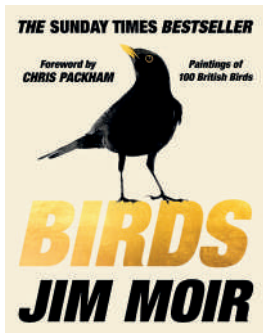
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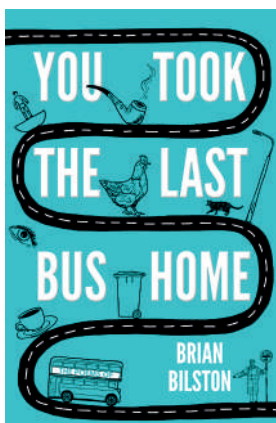
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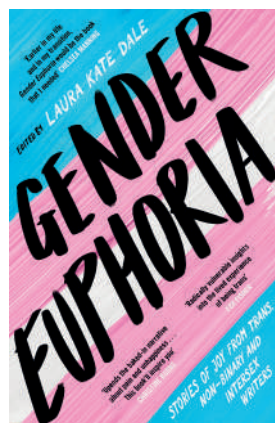
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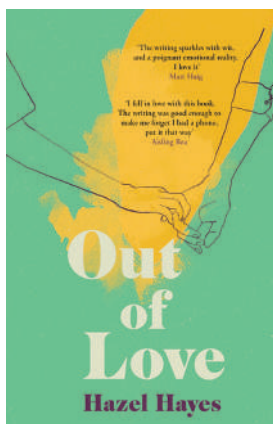
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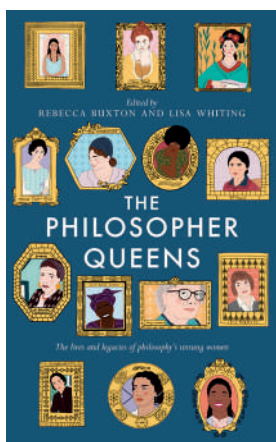
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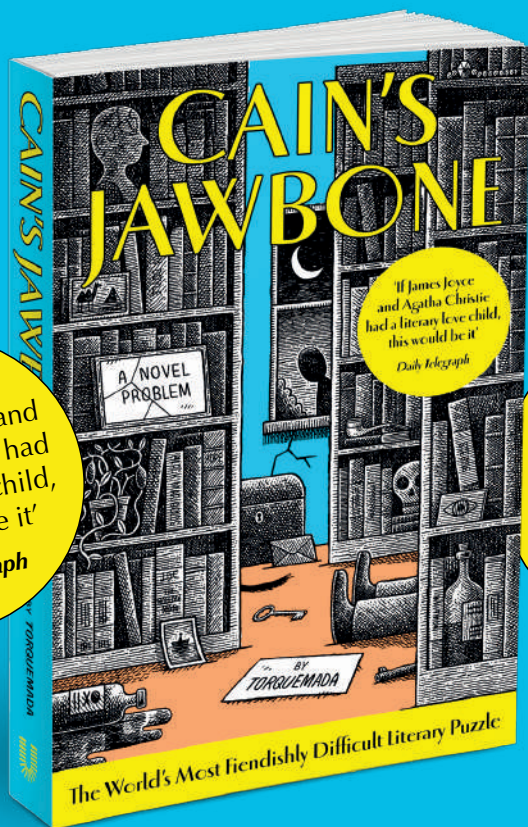
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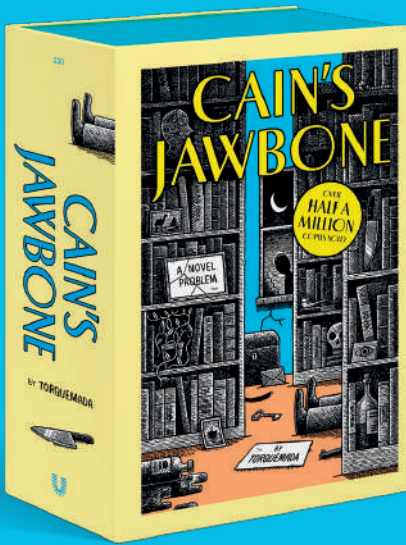


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a literary love child,
this would be it'
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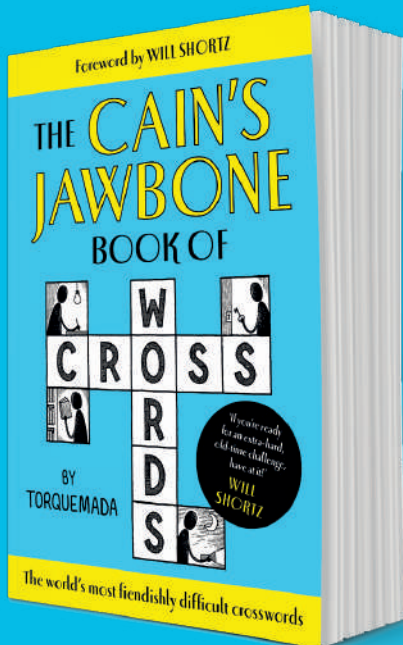
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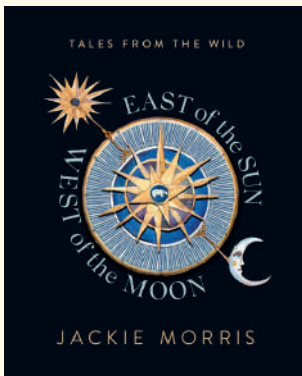
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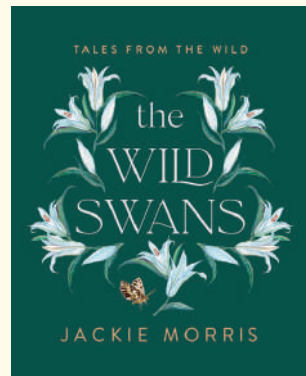
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KEANU REEVES IS NOT IN LOVE WITH YOU

The Murky World of Online Romance Fraud

BECKY HOLMES

One woman's intrepid investigation of online romance fraud

Online romance fraud is a problem across the globe. It causes financial and emotional devastation, yet many people refuse to take it seriously. This is the story of one middle-aged woman in a cardigan determined to understand this growing phenomenon.

No other woman has had so many online romances – from Keanu Reeves to Brad Pitt to Prince William – and Becky Holmes is a favourite among peacekeeping soldiers and oil rig workers who desperately need iTunes vouchers. By winding up scammers and investigating the truth behind their profiles, Becky shines a revealing, revolting and hilarious light on a very shady corner of the internet.

Featuring first-hand accounts of victims, examples of scripts used by fraudsters, a look into the psychology of fraud and of course plenty of Becky's hysterical interactions with scammers, this is a must-read for anyone who needs a reminder that Keanu Reeves is NOT in love with them.

NON-FICTION


Becky Holmes is the creator of, and voice behind, the popular Twitter account @deathtospinach. Having been on the receiving end of an annoyingly high number of direct messages from online romance scammers, Becky started to enjoy wasting their time and then publicly 'outing' their accounts. Becky has a first class BA (Hons) from Royal Holloway, University of London, and is based in Stratford-upon-Avon.



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**HOW COMEDY WORKS
AND WHY IT MATTERS**

**BE
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Joel Morris

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BE FUNNY OR DIE

How Comedy Works and Why It Matters

JOEL MORRIS

In defence of comedy: an exploration of why we laugh, what we find funny and the importance of humour

Comedy can soothe our pain, vent our anger, make us feel less alone and provide the answer to life's most difficult questions, such as, 'What do you call a man with a seagull on his head?*' It's a social glue but it can also be divisive, and the joke is on us if we don't understand how it works.

So, what are the rules? How does comedy do its magic and why does it matter? Join professional comedy writer Joel Morris on a hilarious journey into the hidden world of shared laughter where he reveals the mechanisms that make jokes work and what comedy can teach us about ourselves.

Packed with gags and examples of comedy at its best, *Be Funny or Die* is a fascinating investigation into how our species has developed and mastered this essential art form where laughter is the universal language and only the funniest survive.

*Cliff

NON-FICTION

Joel Morris is a BAFTA-winning comedy writer. A long-time collaborator with Charlie Brooker, he has written for countless TV and radio shows, including *Mitchell and Webb*, *Miranda* and *Murder in Successville*, as well as the *Paddington* films. He co-created cult spoof newspaper *The Framley Examiner*, the hit *Bollocks to Alton Towers* tourist guides and the chartbusting *Ladybird Books for Grown-Ups*. Joel lives in London. @gralefrit



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From the author of the *Sunday Times* bestseller
THE DECADE IN TORY

FOUR CHANCELLORS AND A FUNERAL

How to Lose a Country in Ten Days



RUSSELL JONES

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FOUR CHANCELLORS AND A FUNERAL

How to Lose a Country in Ten Days

RUSSELL JONES

A darkly comical history of the Tory government from January 2021 to the end of 2022: Four Chancellors and a Funeral is the sequel to the Sunday Times bestseller The Decade In Tory

Towards the end of 2021, Britain had been frogmarched into an escalating series of surreal calamities. All of which led to an inglorious start to 2022: the year the UK saw two monarchs, three prime ministers and four chancellors.

From Boris Johnson, who crashed our international reputation and handed billions to his mates so they could ineptly fight a pandemic; to Liz Truss, a drive-by prime minister who managed to kill off the queen and crash the economy in a single week. And now we're led by Rishi Sunak, who doesn't know how to use a credit card and grinningly promises even more poverty.

Four Chancellors and a Funeral delivers more of Russell Jones's signature scathing wit, combining a detailed historical record of 2021 and 2022, with acerbic commentary, all of it leavened by jokes at the seemingly endless maelstrom of failures, nincompoops and hypocrisies.

NON-FICTION

Russell Jones is the man behind the *Sunday Times* bestselling *A Decade in Tory*. He publishes #TheWeekInTory, a regular breakdown of the government's regular breakdowns on social media, writing as @RussInCheshire. *Four Chancellors and a Funeral* is his second book.



Natalie Bennett

CHANGE EVERYTHING

**How we can rethink,
repair and rebuild society**

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CHANGE EVERYTHING

How We Can Rethink, Repair and Rebuild Society

NATALIE BENNETT

An alternative green vision of how we can innovate our way to freedom, prosperity, health and resilience

What has been called political common sense over recent decades, that greed is good, inequality doesn't matter and we can keep treating the planet as a mine and a dumping ground, has been proved to be the exact opposite. It has been a recipe for disaster.

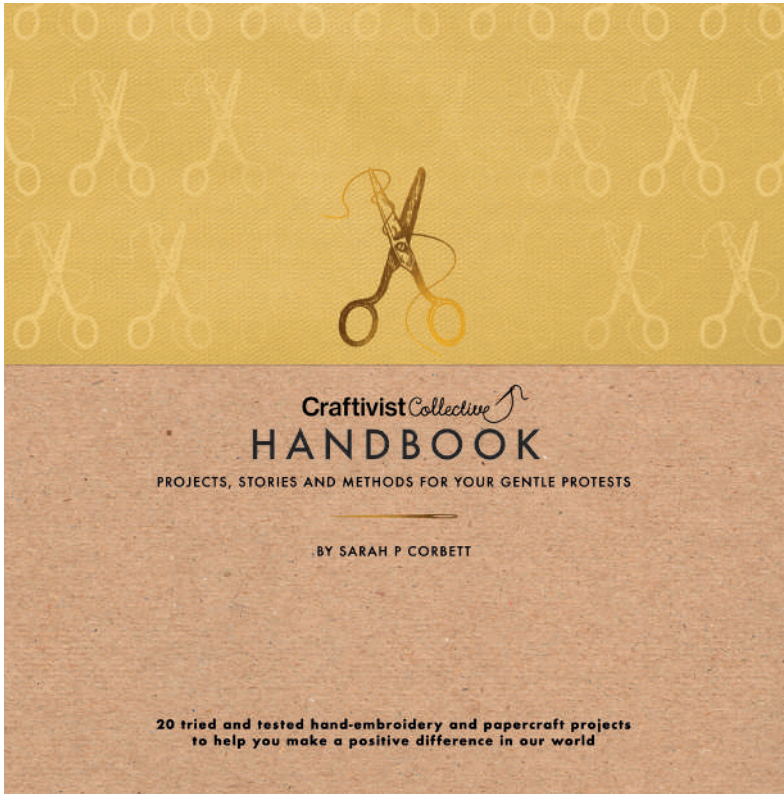
Leaving the UK, or the world, continuing to run as it does now, with just a few minor adjustments to the levers, a twirl of a policy dial here, a nudge of a management system there, is clearly not viable. Going further on our current path is even more disastrous.

Change Everything synthesises ideas and arguments inspired by the people Natalie Bennett has met around the UK. We can only get through this dangerous stage by relying on the collective ingenuity, talents and creativity of millions of people, all empowered to 'do politics', all being heard.

NON-FICTION

Natalie Bennett is one of two Green Party members of the House of Lords. She was the leader of the Green Party of England and Wales from 2012-2016, when she led the party to its best-ever election result. She spent 20 years as a journalist, from newspapers in the Australian countryside, through the *Bangkok Post* to *The Times*, finishing as editor of the *Guardian Weekly*.





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THE CRAFTIVIST COLLECTIVE HANDBOOK

SARAH CORBETT

Twenty craft projects to help you make a positive difference in our world

It sometimes feels like the only way to create change is to stand up and fight for the world we want to see. To march under giant banners and shout to have our voices heard. But if there's time for the loud, there's also time for the quiet. If there's time for the fast, there's also need for the slow.

The Craftivist Collective encourages anyone from anywhere to use their unique Gentle Protest approach to craftivism (craft + activism) in a way that offers solutions, provokes thought and inspires action, helping you on your journey as a positive and effective changemaker.

The Craftivist Collective Handbook is a beautiful hardback containing 20 craftivism projects, accompanied by wise words from neuroscientist Dr Daniel Glaser as well as case studies and quotes from diverse craftivists around the world who have used our projects to create real positive change.

NON-FICTION

Sarah Corbett is an award-winning activist, author and Ashoka Fellow. She founded the global Craftivist Collective in 2019 and works with diverse organisations such as Save the Children, the Victoria and Albert Museum and Secret Cinema. She helped to create the new Girlguiding UK Craftivism Badge and is passionate about bringing loving effective activism into new spaces to reach new audiences.



NORTHERN BOY

IQBAL HUSSAIN

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NORTHERN BOY

A Big Bollywood Dream. A Small Town Chance.

IQBAL HUSSAIN

A comic and poignant tale of a young British-Pakistani boy's dream for stardom, against all odds

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It's the 1980s. Rafi Aziz is ten years old and lives in a mill town in Lancashire. He's the youngest son in a Pakistani family household, and as his mother reminds him daily, she's given up her dreams to give him and his siblings the best opportunities. But Rafi doesn't want the opportunity that's offered to him.

Flamboyant, dramatic and musically gifted, Rafi wants to be a Bollywood starlet.

The local Asian community are outraged by his behaviour, and make it their business to tell Rafi's mother exactly what they think. As mother and son pull in different directions, their close relationship is put to the ultimate test.

Spanning five decades, *Northern Boy* is Rafi's story from boyhood to adulthood. In the changing eras of ABBA, skinheads, the AIDS pandemic and urbanization, Rafi must constantly navigate who he is and where he truly belongs.

FICTION

Iqbal Hussain is a writer from Blackburn and he lives in London. He received a London Writers' Awards in 2018 and won Gold in the Creative Future Writers' Awards 2019. In 2022 he won first prize in *Writing Magazine's* Grand Flash competition and in 2023 he won first prize in the Fowey Festival of Arts and Literature short story competition. *Northern Boy* is his first novel.



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ZAHRA BARRI

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DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE

ZAHRA BARRI

A bold multi-generational debut, exploring themes of queerness, revolution and Islamic sisterhood

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Set in Egypt, Iran, Saudi Arabia and England from 1940-2012, *Daughters of the Nile* charts three generations of Egyptian women.

We begin in Cairo with the matriarch, Fatiha Bin-Khalid's growing friendship with Muslim feminist Doria Shafik as they fight for women's rights before moving to Tehran where the sexually shamed Yasminah flees with her bisexual boyfriend, and then finally to London in 2012 as British-born Nadia battles alcoholism, toxic masculinity, identity crises and a severe case of herpes.

These women have had to overcome revolutions, military coups, misogyny, and prejudice, yet throughout history they seem to be repeating each other's mistakes. It is Nadia, the youngest and most rebellious, who must relearn shame and shamelessness to radically change the future of the Bin-Khalid family.

Daughters of the Nile is an astute examination of the enduring strength of female bonds, and what we inherit when we move between lifelines and continents.

FICTION

Zahra Barri is an Irish-Egyptian writer and stand-up comedian. She grew up in Saudi Arabia and attended Muslim and Catholic schools. She has featured on Channel 4's *Only Jokes a Muslim Can Tell*, BBC Radio and BBC Asian Network. In 2020 she was a runner up in the Comedy Women in Print Unpublished Prize and she is currently doing a PhD exploring Muslim women in literature.



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NO ONE TALKS ABOUT THIS STUFF

Twenty-Two Stories of Almost Parenthood

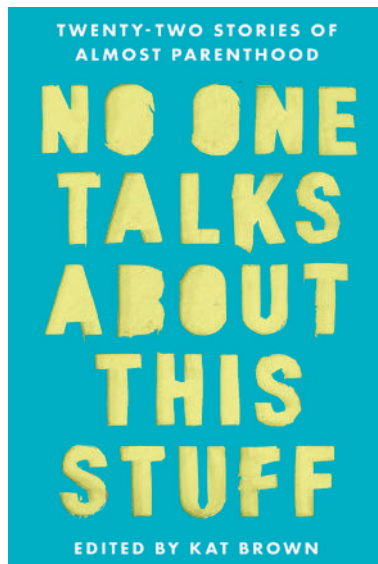
KAT BROWN

Heart-breaking and hopeful, twenty-two writers share everyday experiences from their pursuit of parenthood

No One Talks About This Stuff is a support group for almost-parents. A place to find courage in the darkness of tragedies which happen every day yet are brushed under the carpet.

We hear from a stepmother who wrestles with infertility. A husband and wife each tell their experience of losing their baby. A lesbian comes of age at a time when gay people rarely become parents. And each person shares how they lived through it.

This captivatingly beautiful, profound and honest anthology opens a much-needed conversation about society, family and honouring the missing children we will never forget.



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NON-FICTION

Kat Brown is a freelance journalist and commentator. She has published two books *No One Talks About This Stuff* (ed.) and *It's Not A Bloody Trend: Understanding Life as an ADHD Adult*. She captained The Jillies on BBC 2's *Only Connect* – arguably the greatest quiz show in existence. Kat lives in south London with her husband, their dog, and two appalling cats.

FREE LOAVES ON FRIDAYS

The Care System As Told By People Who Actually Get It

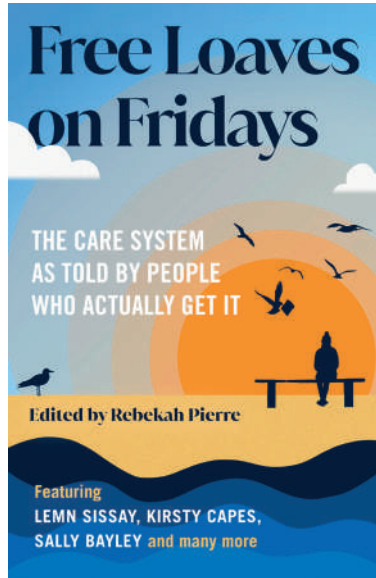
REBEKAH PIERRE

A powerful anthology of stories, reflections and letters by care-experienced people

Free Loaves on Fridays is an anthology of stories, poems, reflections and letters by nearly 100 care-experienced people, which aims to challenge the sliced-loaf mindset.

This collection gives voice to diverse experiences including foster care, adoption, kinship care and semi-independent living, among others. Headlines written about care often entrench negative stereotypes and dominate the narrative, leaving care-experienced people with nothing but crumbs. This anthology is an opportunity to redirect the dialogue and present a window into a world that has been overlooked for too long.

Free Loaves on Fridays presents a spectrum of joy and sadness, laughter and tears, love and loss, and reminds us that bread tastes so much better when it's been chosen.



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Rebekah Pierre is a care-experienced writer and campaigner with a background in child protection social work. She has written extensively about the care system, and has appeared in publications including the *Guardian*, the *Independent*, and on BBC Radio 4 among others. Her peer-reviewed journal is the first-known auto-ethnographic paper to feature childhood diary extracts written while in the care of the state.

ENDING THE PURSUIT

Asexuality, Aromanticism and Agender Identity

MICHAEL PARAMO

Michael Paramo gives voice to the real experiences behind asexual, aromantic and agender identity

How did asexual identity form?
What is aromanticism? How does
agender identity function?

Michael Paramo explores these misunderstood experiences, from the complex challenge of coming out to navigating the western lens of attraction. Expertly mapping their history, Paramo traces the emergence of vital online communities to the origins of the Victorian binaries that still restrict us today.

With a ground-breaking blend of memoir and poetry, online articles and discussions, *Ending the Pursuit* gives voice to an overlooked community. It encourages us to end the search for 'normalcy' and cut the ties that have restricted how we see ourselves and the world.



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NON-FICTION

Michael Paramo is a Xicanx researcher, writer, poet and artist born and raised in the suburbs of southern California (on Tongva land) in a Mexican-American family. They created AZE (azejournal.com) in 2016, a platform that publishes asexual, aromantic, and agender authors. Their visual art has been published in the *University of New Mexico's Blue Mesa Review* and they release music under the name COZMECA.

IN BETWEEN

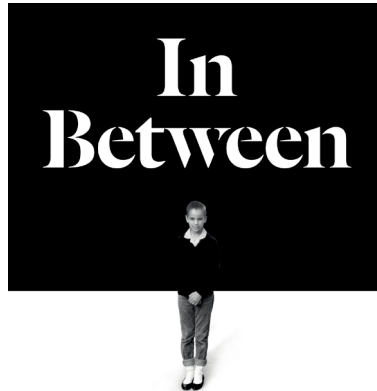
MAUD BLAIR

A memoir of growing up In Between the racial categories of segregated Rhodesia

What does it mean to grow up with an African mother and European father in racially segregated 1950s Rhodesia?

For Maud Blair it meant being sent, aged four, to a 'Coloured' boarding school run by Christian nuns, where she longed for the sense of belonging she once had.

Maud tries to make sense of her mixed identity in the midst of political unrest and de facto apartheid, taking her to England via South Africa and back to post-independence Zimbabwe. The result is a strikingly original memoir that confronts privilege, prejudice and the place we call home.



**Maud
Blair**

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NON-FICTION

Maud Blair was born to a Zimbabwean mother and an English father. She grew up in Zimbabwe before moving to the UK, where she worked at the Open University leading courses in Race, Education and Gender. She then worked as a civil servant in the Department of Education and as a consultant for The Learning Trust in Hackney. Maud lives in Cambridge.

TITAN OF THE THAMES

The Life of Lord Desborough

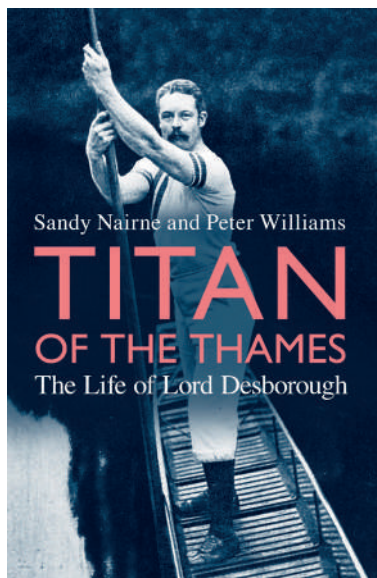
SANDY NAIRNE

The first biography of Lord Desborough, an inspiring life of public service and extraordinary sportsmanship

William Grenfell, Lord Desborough, was, for many, the epitome of the perfect English gentleman.

He was the driving force behind the 1908 London Olympic Games, elected as an MP, and his home had been a focal point for the Souls, including notable politicians such as A. J. Balfour and the young Winston Churchill. But although Grenfell's public life was successful, his family was struck by tragedy.

In *Titan of the Thames*, Nairne and Williams disentangle the myths surrounding this fascinating man, piecing together a compelling biography of a figure whose story should have been told many years ago.



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Sandy Nairne CBE FSA is a writer and curator, previously director of programmes at Tate and director of the National Portrait Gallery. He is deputy chair of the National Trust.

Peter Williams is a writer, researcher and Departmental Fellow in the Department of Land Economy at Cambridge, recognised as an expert on housing markets.

WHERE ARE THE FELLOWS WHO CUT THE HAY?

How Traditions From the Past Can Shape Our Future

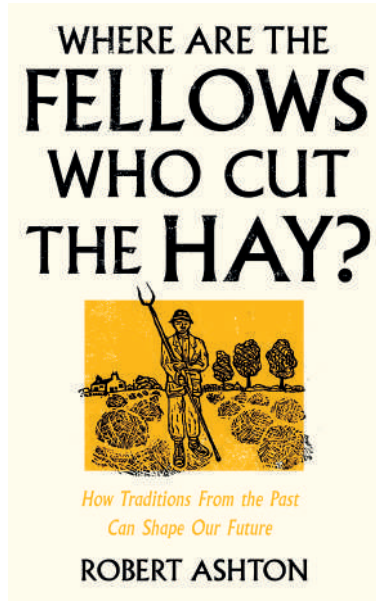
ROBERT ASHTON

The story of how almost forgotten trades and ways are being rediscovered in rural Britain today

Where Are the Fellows Who Cut the Hay? is an ode to rural life, providing a snapshot of twenty-first century England through everyday items and the communities that make them.

Where are the people who grow barley, milk cows and produce wool? How have their farming methods become less ethical, sustainable and natural over time? And what are we doing today to reverse that change?

Inspired by George Ewart Evans's *Ask the Fellows Who Cut the Hay*, Ashton's thought-provoking book is a manifesto for why, against all odds, we need to step back in order to progress.



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Robert Ashton lives near the Suffolk coast, in the town where he grew up. He studied agriculture at college and spent the first decade of his career selling fertiliser. Already an established business author, Robert graduated from the UEA with a Creative Writing MA in 2020. A Quaker, Robert is driven by a strong sense of social justice and has helped establish a number of social enterprises.

WHAT MAKES A MUM?

My Story From Fostered to Adopter

@NOTAFICTIONALMUM

An honest, funny and down-to-earth memoir about living on both sides of the care system, with a campaigning message at its heart

An urgent and topical account of motherhood, @Notafictionalmum asks us to consider what is it that really makes a mum?

What Makes a Mum? is a story of survival, a fight to motherhood and a dysfunctional childhood, exploring infertility, the U.K adoption process and NFM's experience of foster care.

What emerges is a no holds barred, brutally honest and painfully funny story of resilience, determination and ultimately hope in the long and sometimes agonising pursuit to become a mother.

'@Notafictionalmum makes sure no woman gets left behind'
Giovanna Fletcher



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@Notafictionalmum is a blogger and a campaigner, advocating for equal rights, recognition and visibility for the adoption community. She campaigned alongside major children's charities in Westminster regarding the current self-employed adopter's legislation, and founded a petition exceeding 16,000 signatures resulting in a parliamentary debate. She is also the founder of a fully inclusive gifting brand which are soon to be sold by John Lewis.

UNDERDOGS

Uprising

CHRIS BONNELLO

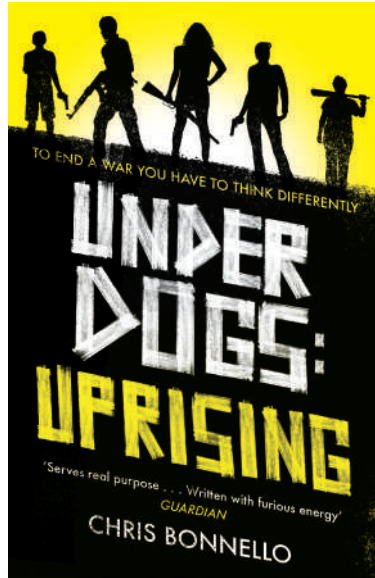
The final instalment in the groundbreaking Underdogs series, which follows a band of neurodivergent teenagers

After thirteen months of vicious warfare, the neurodiverse heroes of Spitfire's Rise have fought a war to be proud of, however their greatest challenge still lies ahead.

In this epic conclusion to the series, the Underdogs must overcome the odds that have been stacked against them since day one and infiltrate New London to prevent global destruction.

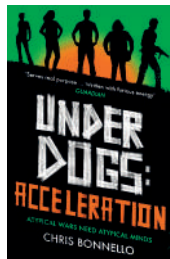
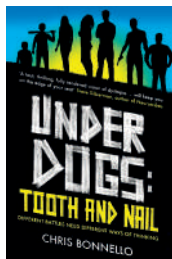
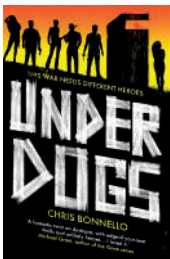
Underdogs: Uprising sees the Great British Rebellion come to a head in a cataclysmic showdown that will determine the destiny of the human population.

'Admirably unusual, and serves real purpose. Bonnello writes with furious energy' *Guardian*



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THE LIDO GUIDE

New Edition

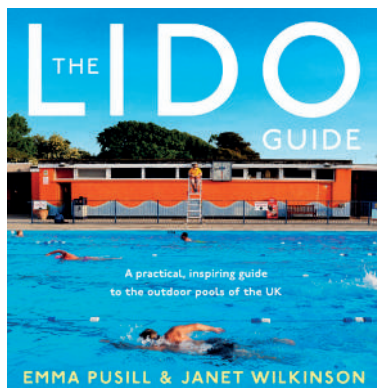
JANET WILKINSON

The definitive photographic guide to over 120 open-air pools in the UK

You say Lee-doh, We say Ly-doh

From beautiful Art Deco lidos to humble, fiercely loved community pools, this is the definitive photographic guide to around 130 lidos in the UK and Channel Islands. Collected together for the first time, each entry details what makes the pool unique and what swimming there is like, as well as providing information about refreshments, accessibility and much more. This guide is organised geographically and includes information on how to find the lidos, it also suggests other nearby pools so you can plan your own lido road trips.

Revised edition for 2024, including eight new pools, and updated information throughout.



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Emma Pusill (@salwateritch/@lidoguide) and Janet Wilkinson (@deliciousswim) are lido enthusiasts and founders of the national Lido Conference.

SEX DRIVE

On the Road to a Pleasure Revolution

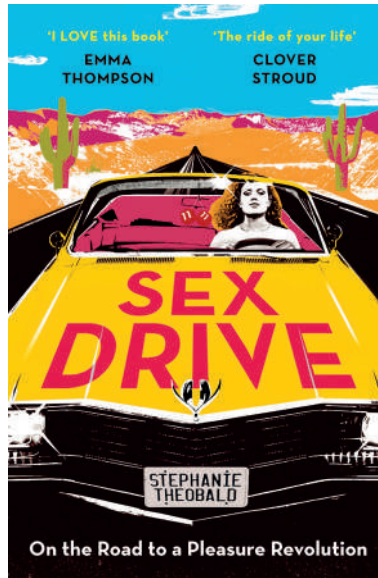
STEPHANIE THEOBALD

One woman's road trip across America in search of her lost libido

Arriving in New York with a failing relationship and a body she felt out of touch with, Stephanie Theobald set off on a 3,497 mile trip across America to re-build her orgasm from the ground up.

She takes us from 'body sex' classes with the legendary feminist Betty Dodson to an interview with the former US Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders. Along the way, we are immersed in a countercultural America of marijuana farms and 'ecosexual sexologists'.

Sex Drive is a memoir about desire and pleasure, merging sexuality and spirituality. A new sexual revolution has begun – and this time round, it's all about the women.



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Stephanie Theobald is a British journalist, novelist, public speaker and broadcaster known for her playful and thoughtful work around sexuality and feminism. She writes regularly for the *Guardian*, the *Sunday Times* and *Elle UK*. She is the author of four novels, most recently *A Partial Indulgence* (2010). She lives between London and Los Angeles.



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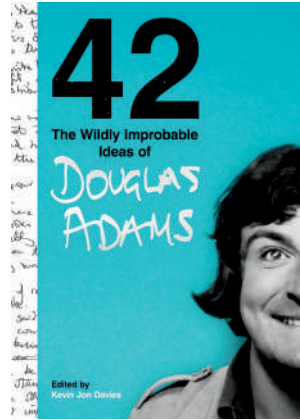
The Wildly Improbable Ideas of Douglas Adams

DOUGLAS ADAMS

The No. 1 *Sunday Times* Bestseller

When Douglas Adams died in 2001, he left behind 60 boxes full of notebooks, letters, scripts, jokes, speeches and even poems. In *42*, compiled by Douglas's long-time collaborator Kevin Jon Davies, hundreds of these personal artefacts appear in print for the very first time.

'Douglas's slanted way of looking at reality makes the fuzzy sharp and the improbable probable' Stephen Fry



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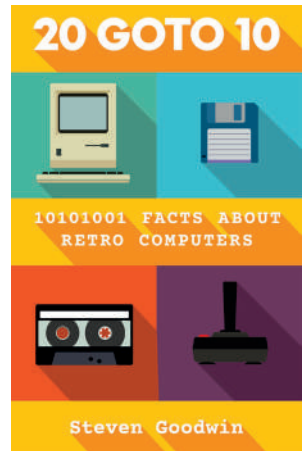
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20 GOTO 10

10101001 facts about retro computers

STEVEN GOODWIN

From 0 to 2147483647, and from Acorn Atoms to VIC-20s, *20 GOTO 10* takes us on an adventure through the history of retro computers and games consoles – one number at a time. By following the 'GOTO' instructions at the end of each entry, you'll create a unique journey through this treasure trove of forgotten geek lore and fascinating trivia.



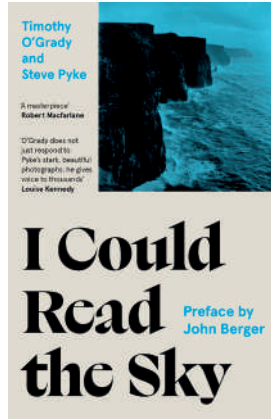
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I COULD READ THE SKY

TIMOTHY O'GRADY

Timothy O'Grady's tender, vivid prose and Steve Pyke's starkly beautiful photographs combine to make a unique work of fiction, an act of remembering suffused with loss, defiance and an unforgettable loveliness. Since it was first published in 1997, *I Could Read the Sky* has achieved the status of a classic.

'Here is a book of tunes without musical notes ... It wrings the heart' John Berger



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LAST DANCE AT THE DISCOTHEQUE FOR DEVIANTS

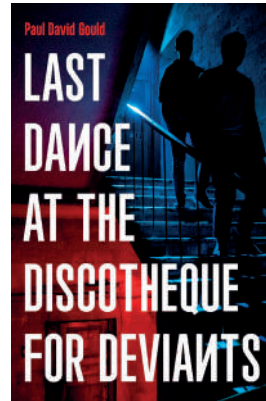
PAUL DAVID GOULD

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Last Dance at the Discotheque for Deviants is both a gripping thriller and a poignant, very human tale of people beset by forces beyond their control, in a world where all the old certainties have crumbled and it's far from clear what will eventually take their place.

'A superb evocation of the time and place, a beautifully written, tragic and compelling story and a powerful condemnation of prejudice and homophobia' *The Times*

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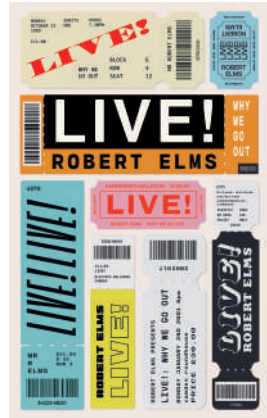
LIVE!

Why We Go Out

ROBERT ELMS

In 1972, when Robert Elms was thirteen years old, he saw the Jackson 5 play live at the Empire Pool. At some point during the performance, he found himself in a state of otherworldly perfect synchronicity with everything happening around him. This single event would set him off on an endless pursuit for that same height of pleasure.

Live!: Why We Go Out is a memoir and a musing on why experiencing live music really matters.



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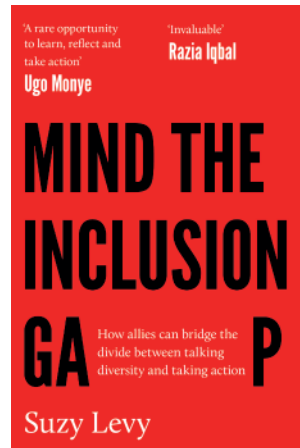
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MIND THE INCLUSION GAP

How allies can bridge the divide between talking diversity and taking action

SUZY LEVY

Diversity programmes are everywhere. But despite all the intention and focus, progress is painfully slow. This book is for anyone who wants to dive into the complex task of supporting diversity and increasing inclusion. It will help you navigate the polarised and divisive issues we face, and move beyond just talking about diversity to playing an active role in shaping an inclusive future.



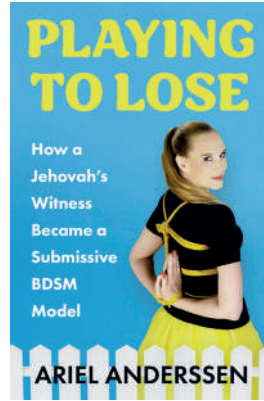
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PLAYING TO LOSE

How a Jehovah's Witness Became a Submissive BDSM Model

ARIEL ANDERSSSEN

In this bold and intimate memoir Ariel Anderssen charts her journey from a strict religious upbringing as a Jehovah's Witness to her current position as one of the most widely recognised BDSM performers in the world. This is a book about about one woman's struggle for self-acceptance and the rewards that come from confronting who you are with honesty and compassion.



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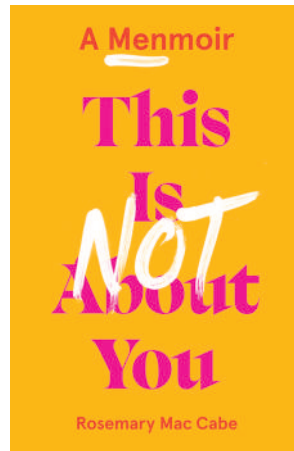
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ROSEMARY MAC CABE

Irish No. 1 Bestseller

Rosemary Mac Cabe was always a serial monogamist – never happier than when she was in a relationship or, at the very least, on the way to being in one. But in her desperate search for ‘the one’ – from first love to first lust, through a series of disappointments and the searing sting of heartbreak – she learned that finding love might mean losing herself along the way.

‘Hilarious, heartfelt and poignant, Mac Cabes’s writing is insightful and her acerbic, self-deprecating wit is spot on’ Sophie White



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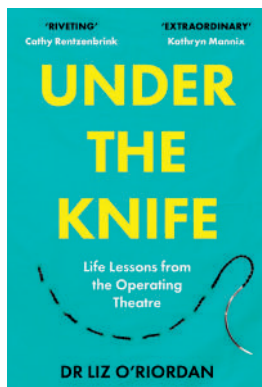
UNDER THE KNIFE

Life Lessons from the Operating Theatre

LIZ O'RIORDAN

Dr Liz O'Riordan is a breast cancer surgeon who has battled against social, physical and mental challenges to practise at the top of her field. In addition to this high-powered, high-pressured role, Liz faced her own breast cancer diagnosis, severe depression and suicidal thoughts, in tandem with commonplace sexual harassment and bullying. And by revealing how she coped when her life crashed around her, she demonstrates there is always hope.

'I cannot praise it highly enough and long for it to be available in all good bookshops so that I can urge people to buy it!' Cathy Rentzenbrink



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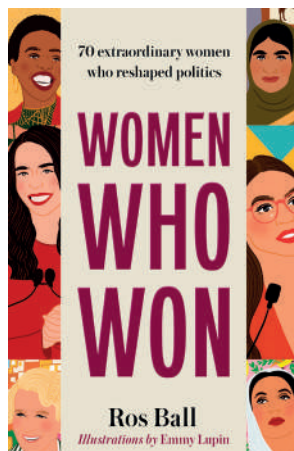
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WOMEN WHO WON

70 extraordinary women who reshaped politics

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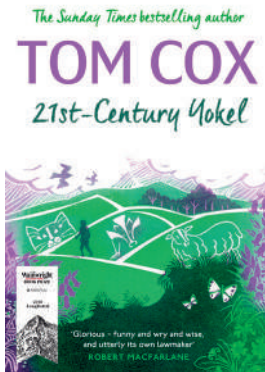
Women Who Won is a celebration of 70 women from the last 100 years: politicians from around the globe who fought for election in a man's world...and won. Beautifully illustrated by artist Emmy Lupin, it features well-known figures, including Kamala Harris, Benazir Bhutto, Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, Jacinda Ardern and Julia Gillard, alongside lesser-known women whose stories are ready to be heard.



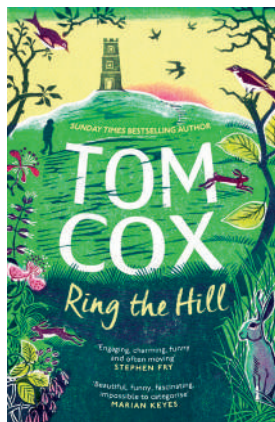
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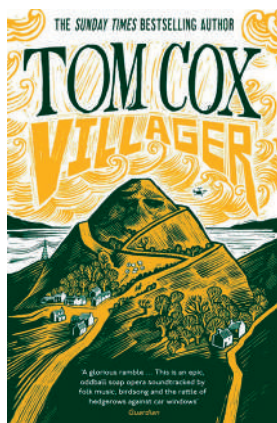
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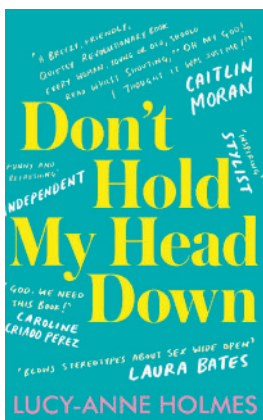
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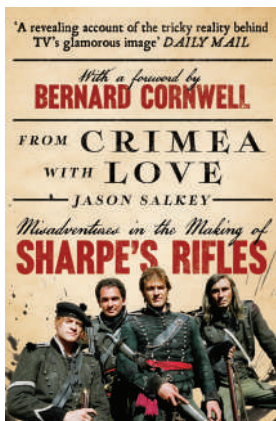
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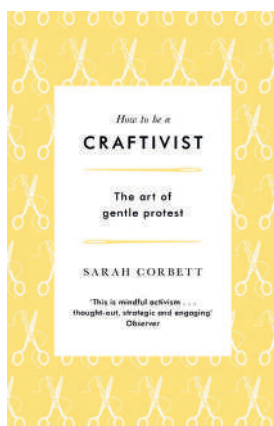
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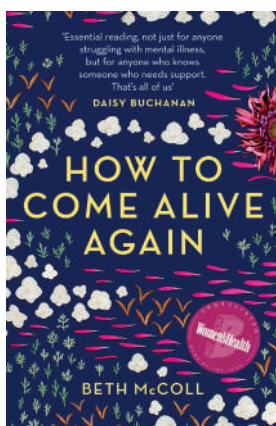
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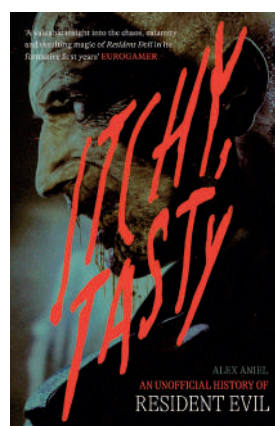
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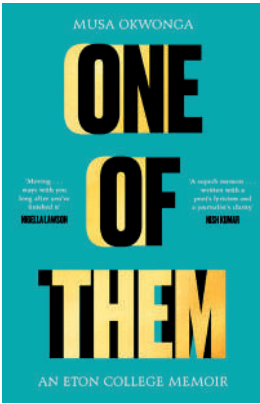
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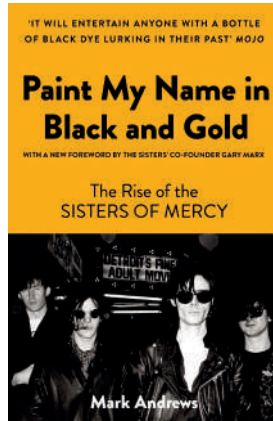
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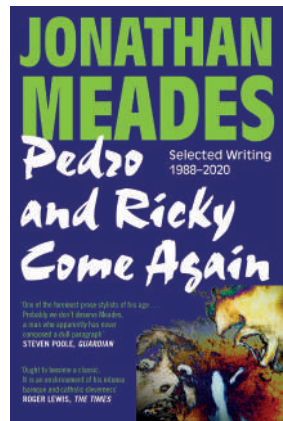
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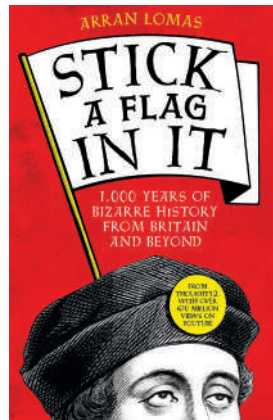
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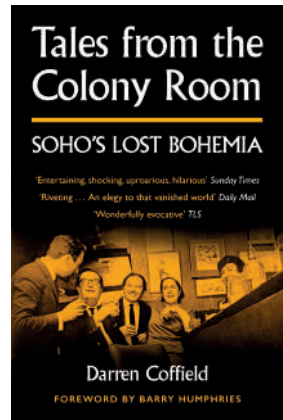
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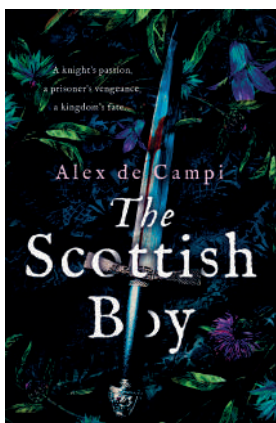
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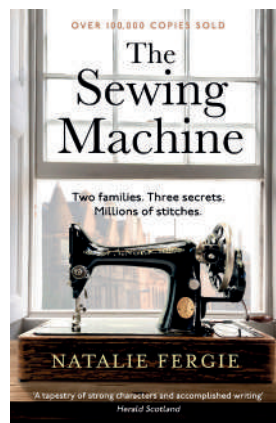
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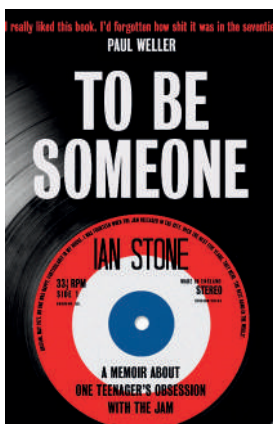
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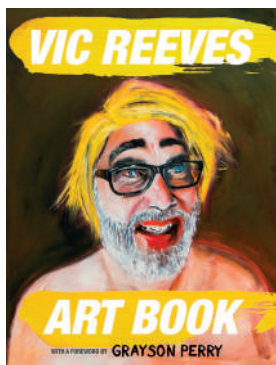
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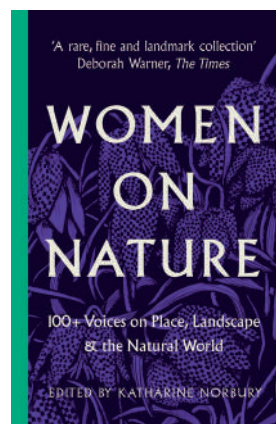
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