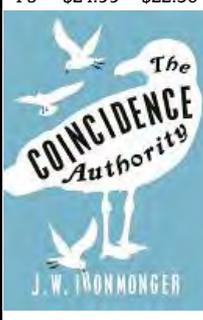
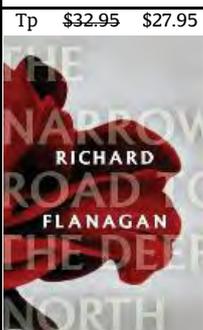
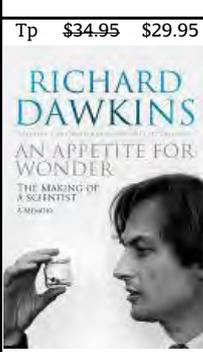
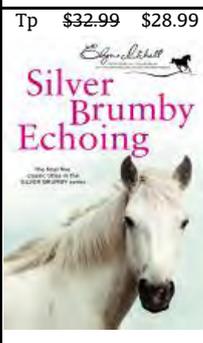
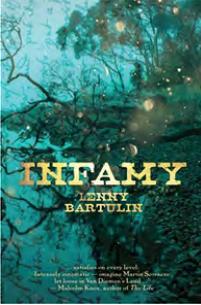
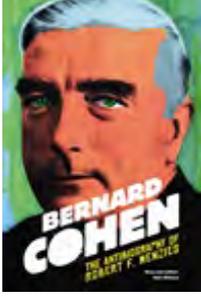
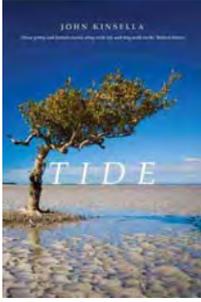
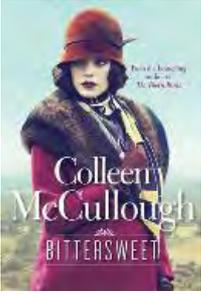
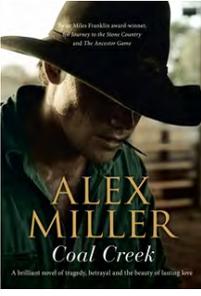


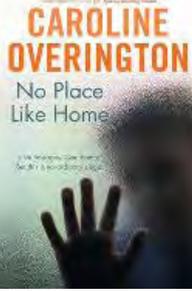
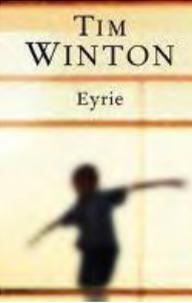
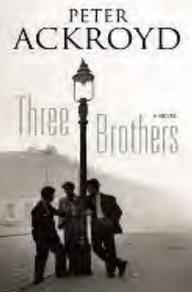
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ABBEY'S CHOICE					
The Coincidence Authority	J W Ironmonger	Pb	\$24.99	\$22.50	 <p>Thomas Post is an expert on coincidence. He's an authority. Every coincidence, he says, can be explained by the cold laws of chance. But why then do coincidences so afflict the life of Azalea Lewis? And why has Thomas Post's orderly life been thrown into such disarray by the coincidences of Azalea? This is the tale of two lost souls, each with a quest to understand the secret patterns hidden in a very random universe. It is the story of the short but eventful life of Azalea Lewis, a founding child discovered at a travelling fair; and it is the unfolding story of Thomas Post who looks for patterns in a haphazard world, and who finds his belief in the fabric of life challenged by Azalea. From the windswept tranquillity of a Manx village, to the commuter swarms of London, to the brutal abduction of child soldiers in Africa, this is a search for truth, a search for God, a search for love, and a search for a decent pizza in North London.</p>
Breaking News: Sex, Lies and the Murdoch Succession	Paul Barry	Hb	\$39.99	\$36.00	 <p>At the age of 82, Rupert Murdoch is divorcing his third wife Wendi Deng and gearing up for the toughest challenge of his life: to hand his empire on to his children. But is this the end of the Murdoch dynasty? Lachlan doesn't want to succeed him. James is in disgrace. And Elisabeth is not a serious contender. His grip on the group has also been weakened by scandal. His British tabloids have been caught hacking phones and bribing officials on an industrial scale. At least twenty journalists will soon face trial for hacking and corruption and could be jailed. But Rupert thrives on crisis. He has recently split News Corp in two, doubled his fortune to US\$9 billion, and is bouncing around like a man in his prime. So can he win this one last battle and keep it all in the family?</p>
The Narrow Road to the Deep North	Richard Flanagan	Tp	\$32.95	\$27.95	 <p>A novel of the cruelty of war, and tenuousness of life and the impossibility of love. August, 1943. In the despair of a Japanese POW camp on the Thai-Burma death railway, Australian surgeon Dorrigo Evans is haunted by his love affair with his uncle's young wife two years earlier. Struggling to save the men under his command from starvation, from cholera, from beatings, he receives a letter that will change his life forever. This savagely beautiful novel is a story about the many forms of love and death, of war and truth, as one man comes of age, prospers, only to discover all that he has lost.</p>
An Appetite for Wonder: The Making of a Scientist	Richard Dawkins	Tp	\$34.95	\$29.95	 <p>In An Appetite for Wonder we join Richard Dawkins on a personal journey back to an enchanting childhood in colonial Africa. There the exotic natural world was his constant companion. Boarding school in England aged 8, and later, public school at Oundle introduce him, and the reader, to strange rules and eccentric school masters vividly described with both humorous affection and some reservation. Early signs of a preference for music, poetry and reading over practical matters become apparent as he recalls the opportunities that entered his small world. Oxford, however, is the catalyst to his life. Vigorous debate in the dynamic Zoology Department unleashes his innate intellectual curiosity; and inspirational mentors together with his own creative thinking ignite the spark that results in his radical and new vision of Darwinism, The Selfish Gene. From innocent child to charismatic world-famous scientist, Richard Dawkins paints a colourful, richly-textured canvas of his early life.</p>
The Silver Brumby Echoing (Centenary Edition)	Elyne Mitchell	Tp	\$32.99	\$28.99	 <p>The Silver Brumby Centenary Edition and Silver Brumby Kingdom contain the first eight titles in the Silver Brumby series. This third volume contains the final five titles: Dancing Brumby, Brumbies of the Night, Dancing Brumby's Rainbow, The Thousandth Brumby, Wild Echoes Ringing. Silver Brumby Echoing completes the much-loved Silver Brumby series. The first Silver Brumby book was published in 1958 and cemented Elyne Mitchell's reputation as one of Australia's best-loved children's authors. Countless numbers of children have enjoyed the story of Thowra, the silver stallion who was king of the brumbies, and now a new generation of horse-lovers will be able to either discover or re-read these treasured classics that also includes Elyne Mitchell's final story Wild Echoes Ringing.</p>
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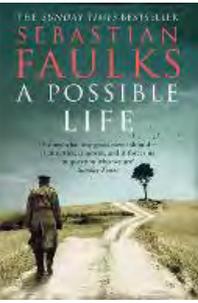
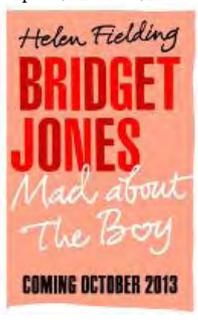
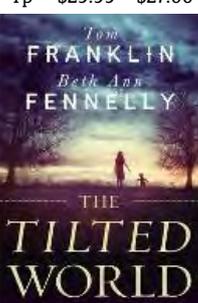
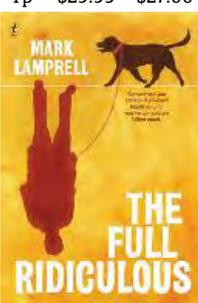
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Infamy	Lenny Bartulin	Tp \$29.99 \$27.00 	William Burr, the son of an English settler in South America, had a steady job hunting mahogany pirates in British Honduras. One day, injured and recovering after a jungle skirmish, he receives a letter from John McQuillan, his old friend and now Chief Police Magistrate in Hobart Town, with the offer of a reward for the capture of a notorious outlaw: and so Burr sets sail for the Antipodes, though with little idea of what to expect. He arrives in Van Diemen's Land, the most isolated and feared penal colony of the British Empire, in 1830 to find a world of corruption, brutality and mystical beauty. Following the trail of Brown George Coyne, the charismatic outlaw leader of a band of escaped convicts, Burr is soon rushing headlong through the surreal, mesmerising Vandemonian wilderness, where he will discover not only the violent truth of British settlement, but also the love of a woman, and the friendship of an Aboriginal tracker, himself an outcast on an island of outcasts.
The Antibiography of Robert F Menzies	Bernard Cohen	Tp \$32.99 \$29.70 	A soon-to-be-elected Australian prime minister invokes the spirit of Sir Robert Menzies and astonishingly, the Great Man rises from the grave. But in Canberra, amongst the nation's leaders, the revived Menzies is rarely listened to and hardly visible. Increasingly discontented with his role as mere nostalgic symbol, Menzies escapes from Canberra. He runs westward, becoming larger and more powerful as he runs. This, perhaps the most significant untold story in Australian political history, lands in the lap of the Antibiographer, whose contracted book on Menzies is years behind schedule. Could this be the break the Antibiographer needs to redeem his career? Will he be able to track down the Menzies colossus and save his book and reputation? And can the out-of-control Menzies ever be contained?
Tide	John Kinsella	Pb \$29.95 \$26.95 	The coast and dreams of being by the water are never far away in Kinsella's surprising stories of Australian small town life. They summon in us both longing and fear at the recollection of our own childhoods, families, friends and upbringings. Flight is a possibility. A boy builds a rocket from 44-gallon drums and packing cases, a lone farmer travels to London to glimpse the snow his late mother once spoke of, inseparable mates relocate to the inner city. But the elemental mystery of place, of the country, of the sea, invariably draws them back.
Bittersweet	Colleen McCullough	Hb \$39.99 \$36.00 	Bittersweet is an enthralling tale of women - and of love. This is the story of two sets of twins, Edda and Grace, Tufts and Kitty, who struggle against all the restraints, prohibitions, laws and prejudices of 1920s Australia. Only the submissive yet steely Grace burns for marriage; the sleekly sophisticated Edda burns to be a doctor, the down-to-earth but courageous Tufts burns never to marry, and the too-beautiful, internally scarred Kitty burns for a love free from male ownership. Turbulent times, terrible torments, but the four magnificent Latimer sisters, each so different, love as women do: with tenderness as well as passion, and with hearts roomy enough to hold their men, their children, their careers and their sisters.
Coal Creek	Alex Miller	Tp \$29.99 \$27.00 	Bobby Blue is caught between loyalty to his only friend, Ben Tobin, and his boss, Daniel Collins, the new Constable at Mount Hay. Bobby understands the people and the ways of Mount Hay; Collins studies the country as an archaeologist might, bringing his coastal values to the hinterland. Increasingly bewildered and goaded to action by his wife, Constable Collins takes up his shotgun and his Webley pistol to deal with Ben. Bobby's love for Collins' wilful young daughter Irie is exposed, leading to tragic consequences for them all. Miller's exquisite depictions of the country of the Queensland highlands form the background of this simply told but deeply significant novel of friendship, love, loyalty and the tragic consequences of misunderstanding and mistrust.

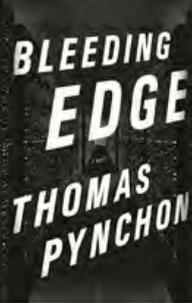
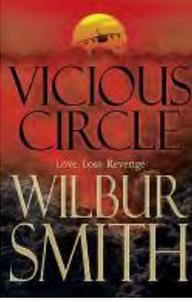
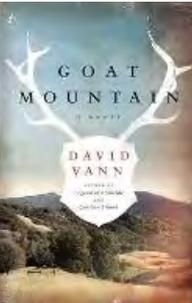
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No Place Like Home	Caroline Overington	Tp \$32.95 \$29.65 	Shortly after 9.30 in the morning, a young man walks into Surf City, Bondi's newest shopping complex. He's wearing a dark grey hoodie and a bomb around his neck. Just a few minutes later he is locked in a shop on the upper floor. And trapped with him are four innocent bystanders. For police chaplain Paul Doherty, called to the scene by Superintendent Boehm, it's a story that will end as tragically as it began. For this is clearly no ordinary siege. The boy, known as Ali Khan, seems as frightened as his hostages and has yet to utter a single word. The seconds tick by for the five in the shop: Mitchell, the talented schoolboy; Mouse, the shop assistant; Kimmi, the nail-bar technician; and Roger Callaghan, the real estate agent whose reason for being in Bondi that day is far from innocent. And of course there's Ali Khan. Is he the embodiment of evil, as the villagers in his Tanzanian birthplace believe? Or simply an innocent boy, betrayed at every turn, who just wants a place to call home?
Eyrie	Tim Winton	Hb \$45.00 \$35.00 	Tom Keely's reputation is in ruins. And that's the upside. Divorced and unemployed, he's lost faith in everything precious to him. Holed up in a grim highrise, cultivating his newfound isolation, Keely looks down at a society from which he's retired hurt and angry. He's done fighting the good fight, and well past caring. But even in his seedy flat, ducking the neighbours, he's not safe from entanglement. All it takes is an awkward encounter in the lobby. A woman from his past, a boy the likes of which he's never met before. Two strangers leading a life beyond his experience and into whose orbit he falls despite himself. What follows is a heart-stopping, groundbreaking novel for our times - funny, confronting, exhilarating and haunting. Inhabited by unforgettable characters, Eyrie asks how, in an impossibly compromised world, we can ever hope to do the right thing.
FICTION			
Three Brothers	Peter Ackroyd	Hb \$29.95 \$26.95 	Three Brothers follows the fortunes of Harry, Daniel and Sam Hanway, born on a post-war council estate in Camden Town. Marked out from the start by curious coincidence, each boy is forced to make his own way in the world - a world of dodgy deals and big business, of criminal gangs and crooked landlords, of newspaper magnates, back-biters and petty thieves. London is the backdrop and the connecting fabric of these three lives, reinforcing Ackroyd's grand theme that place and history create, surround and engulf us. From bustling, cut-throat Fleet Street to hallowed London publishing houses, from the wealth and corruption of Chelsea to the smoky shadows of Limehouse and Hackney, this is an exploration of the city, peering down its streets, riding on its underground, and drinking in its pubs and clubs. Everything is possible - not only in the new freedom of the 1960s but also in London's timeless past.
Expo 58	Jonathan Coe	Tp \$29.99 \$27.00 	London, 1958: unassuming civil servant Thomas Foley is plucked from his desk at the Central Office of Information and sent on a six-month trip to Brussels. His task: to keep an eye on The Britannia, a brand new pub which will form the heart of the British presence at Expo 58 - the biggest World's Fair of the century, and the first to be held since the Second World War. As soon as he arrives at the site, Thomas feels that he has escaped a repressed, backward-looking country and fallen headlong into an era of modernity and optimism. He is equally bewitched by the surreal, gigantic Atomium, which stands at the heart of this brave new world, and by Anneke, the lovely Flemish hostess who meets him off his plane. But Thomas's new-found sense of freedom comes at a price: the Cold War is at its height, the mischievous Belgians have placed the American and Soviet pavilions right next to each other - and why is he being followed everywhere by two mysterious emissaries of the British Secret Service?
The Pure Gold Baby	Margaret Drabble	Tp \$29.99 \$27.00 	The Pure Gold Baby will both raise you up and break your heart, as it follows Anna, a child of special, unknowable qualities, who also presents profound parental challenges. Over decades, we observe her touch the lives and loves of those around her. Margaret Drabble writes with great beauty, wisdom and stealthy power about parenthood, about friendship and ultimately about the ways in which we care for one another. The Pure Gold Baby is a captivating novel from one of Britain's most admired literary figures.

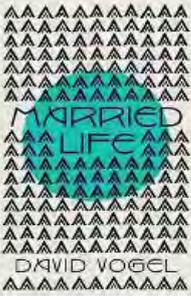
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<p>A Possible Life</p>	<p>Sebastian Faulks</p>	<p>Pb \$19.95 \$17.95</p> 	<p>Terrified, a young prisoner in the Second World War closes his eyes and pictures himself going out to bat on a sunlit cricket ground in Hampshire. Across the courtyard in a Victorian workhouse, a father too ashamed to acknowledge his son. A skinny girl steps out of a Chevy with a guitar; her voice sends shivers through the skull. Soldiers and lovers, parents and children, scientists and musicians risk their bodies and hearts in search of connection - some key to understanding what makes us the people we become. Provocative and profound, Sebastian Faulks' dazzling novel journeys across continents and time to explore the chaos created by love, separation and missed opportunities. From the pain and drama of these highly particular lives emerges a mysterious consolation: the chance to feel your heart beat in someone else's life.</p>
<p>Bridget Jones: Mad About the Boy</p>	<p>Helen Fielding</p>	<p>Tp \$32.95 \$29.65</p> 	<p>When Helen Fielding first wrote Bridget Jones' Diary, charting the life of a 30-something singleton in London in the 1990s, she introduced readers to one of the most beloved characters in modern literature. The book was published in 40 countries, sold more than 15 million copies worldwide, and spawned a best-selling sequel, Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason. The two books were turned into major blockbuster films starring Renee Zellweger, Hugh Grant and Colin Firth. With her hotly anticipated third instalment, Bridget Jones: Mad About the Boy, Fielding introduces us to a whole new enticing phase of Bridget's life set in contemporary London, including the challenges of maintaining sex appeal as the years roll by and the nightmare of drunken texting, the skinny jean, the disastrous email cc, total lack of twitter followers, and TVs that need 90 buttons and three remotes to simply turn on.</p>
<p>Ghost Moth</p>	<p>Michele Forbes</p>	<p>Pb \$24.99 \$22.50</p> 	<p>Ghost Moth will transport you to two hot summers, twenty years apart. Northern Ireland, 1949. Katherine must choose between George Bedford - solid, reliable, devoted George - and Tom McKinley, who makes her feel alive. The reverberations of that summer - of the passions that were spilled, the lies that were told and the bargains that were made - still clamour to be heard in 1969. Northern Ireland has become a tinderbox but tragedy also lurks closer to home. As Katherine and George struggle to save their marriage and silence the ghosts of the past, their family and city stand on the brink of collapse... Surprising, mesmerising and astonishingly written, Ghost Moth will show you the extraordinary in the ordinary.</p>
<p>The Tilted World</p>	<p>Tom Franklin & Beth Ann Fennelly</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>April, 1927. After months of rain, the Mississippi River has reached dangerous levels and the little town of Hobnob, situated at a sharp bend in the river and protected only by a faltering levee, is at threat. Residents fear the levee will either explode under the pressure of the water or be blown by saboteurs from New Orleans, who wish to save their own city. Now Ingersoll, a blues-playing prohibition agent, and his gregarious partner Ham, must travel to Hobnob to investigate the strange disappearance of their predecessors; and then get out while they can. But when the men come across an orphaned baby, they can little imagine how events are about to change them - and the great South - forever. Dixie Clay is a bootlegger, brewing moonshine for her feckless husband Jesse ever since they lost their baby to scarlet fever. Her marriage crumbling, she is guarding a terrible secret about the two missing prohibition agents. Before long, the lives of Ingersoll and Dixie Clay will collide; everything they thought they knew about love and loyalty will turn on its head.</p>
<p>The Full Ridiculous</p>	<p>Mark Lamprell</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>Michael O'Dell is hit by a car. When he doesn't die, he is surprised and pleased. But he can't seem to move from the crash position. He can't concentrate, or control his anger and grief, or work out what to do about anything much. His wife Wendy is heroically supportive but his teenage children don't help his post-accident angst: daughter Rosie punches out a vindictive schoolmate and all hell breaks loose; son Declan is found with a stash of illicit drugs. A strange policeman starts harrassing the family and ordinary mishaps take on a sinister desperation. To top it all off, Michael's professional life starts to crumble. With this funny, compelling novel about love, family and the precarious business of being a man, Mark Lamprell's extraordinary debut examines the terrible truth: sometimes you can't pull yourself together until you've completely fallen apart.</p>

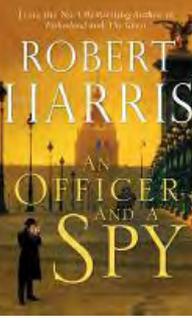
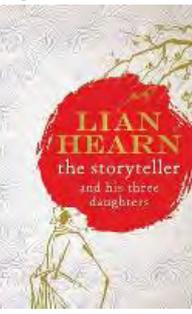
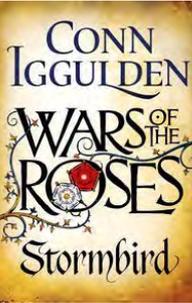
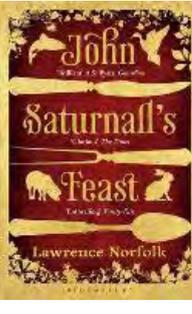
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Bleeding Edge	Thomas Pynchon	Tp \$32.95 \$29.65 	Maxine Tarnow is running a fraud investigation business on the Upper West Side, chasing down different kinds of small-scale con artists. She used to be legally certified but her licence got pulled a while back, which has actually turned out to be a blessing because now she can follow her own code of ethics - carry a Beretta, do business with sleazebags, hack into people's bank accounts - without having too much guilt about any of it. Otherwise, just your average working mum - two boys in elementary school, an off-and-on situation with her sort of semi-ex-husband Horst, life as normal as it ever gets in the neighbourhood - till Maxine starts looking into the finances of a computer-security firm and its billionaire geek CEO, whereupon things begin rapidly to jam onto the subway and head downtown. She soon finds herself mixed up with a drug runner in an art deco motorboat, a professional nose obsessed with Hitler's aftershave, a neoliberal enforcer with footwear issues, plus the Russian mob, bloggers, hackers, code monkeys and entrepreneurs - some of whom begin to show up mysteriously dead.
Marina	Carlos Ruiz Zafon	Tp \$29.99 \$27.00 	A gothic tale for readers of all ages from the author of the bestselling <i>The Shadow of the Wind</i> . Barcelona, 1980. Oscar Drai finds himself drawn to an old dilapidated mansion where he meets the captivating and elusive Marina. She leads him to the cemetery to witness a mysterious ritual: on the fourth Sunday of every month, a veiled woman alights from a carriage and lays a single rose on an unmarked grave. Oscar and Marina are swept on a journey into the city's dark underground of labyrinthine sewers, corrupt policemen, ageing aristocrats, forgotten societies and criminal depravity...to a sinister tale of love, ambition and jealousy that will hold Oscar's heart forever.
Vicious Circle	Wilbur Smith	Hb \$39.99 \$36.00 	When Hector Cross' new life is overturned, he immediately recognizes the ruthless hand of an enemy he has faced many times before: a terrorist group has re-emerged - like a deadly scorpion from beneath its rock. Determined to fight back, Hector draws together a team of his most loyal friends from his former life in Cross Bow Security, a company originally contracted to protect his beloved wife, Hazel Bannock, and her company, the Bannock Oil Corp. They travel to the remotest Middle East, to hunt down those who pursue him and his loved ones. For Hazel and Hector have a child, a precious daughter, who he will go to the ends of the earth to protect. And brutal figures from the Bannock family's past - thought long-gone - are returning, with an agenda so sinister that Hector realizes he is facing a new breed of enemy. One whose shifting attack and dark, shocking secrets take Hector to the heart of Africa and to a series of crimes so shocking they demand revenge.
The Goldfinch	Donna Tartt	Tp \$32.99 \$29.70 	Aged thirteen, Theo Decker, son of a devoted mother and a reckless, largely absent father, survives an accident that otherwise tears his life apart. Alone and rudderless in New York, he is taken in by the family of a wealthy friend. He is tormented by an unbearable longing for his mother, and down the years clings to the thing that most reminds him of her: a small, strangely captivating painting that ultimately draws him into the criminal underworld. As he grows up, Theo learns to glide between the drawing rooms of the rich and the dusty antiques store where he works. He is alienated and in love - and his talisman, the painting, places him at the centre of a narrowing, ever more dangerous circle. <i>The Goldfinch</i> is a haunted odyssey through present-day America and a drama of enthralling power.
Goat Mountain	David Vann	Tp \$29.99 \$27.00 	In the fall of 1978, on the 640-acre family ranch on Goat Mountain in Northern California, an eleven-year-old boy goes hunting with his father, grandfather, and a friend of his father's. Goat Mountain is a dry place of oak, pine, and a swampy bear wallowa place where all the family's memories are held. As the men arrive at the gate to their land, the father spots a poacher hunting illegally on his property. When he lets his son take a look through the scope of his rifle, the boy pulls the trigger. The ensuing struggle over what to do with the dead man eventually becomes a struggle between the grandfather and the boy. By the end, nothing is as it seems.

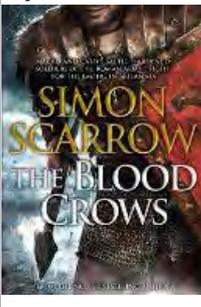
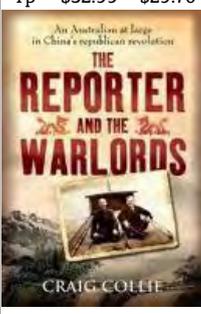
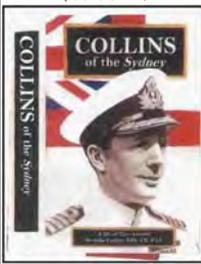
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Married Life	David Vogel	Hb \$32.95 \$29.65 	Written in Hebrew and published in Palestine in 1929, this is the only novel by Vogel, a poet who is presumed to have died at Auschwitz in 1944. Set in Vienna in the 1920s, the novel is a portrait of the disastrous marriage of one Rudolph Gurdweill, a poor Jewish intellectual, to a sadistic and anti-Semitic baroness. Her unfaithfulness and cruelty to the well-meaning but helpless and masochistic writer clearly represents the relationship between Vienna and its Jews. The complex atmosphere of Viennese culture between the wars is conveyed in highly detailed descriptions; countless cigarettes and cups of coffee and endless rendezvous in cafes seem to be central to the existence of these doomed characters. An important novel, not only as a historic document, but as a work of literature that echoes both Kafka and Mann.
Walking on Trampolines	Frances Whiting	Tp \$29.99 \$27.00 	Tallulah 'Lulu' de Longland is a pretty normal teenager - except for the secret language she shares with her quirky best friend, Annabelle Andrews, and having a mother who gives names to the dresses she wears. When she meets Joshua Keaton at age sixteen and falls in love, there's nothing to indicate she's heading for the ultimate betrayal. Six years later, she finds herself alone, stuck in her small home town and doing book-keeping for her father's plumbing business. Not so much seizing the moment, as clawing it back from the past, she ups and moves to the city. It turns out she makes a great personal assistant to radio star, Duncan McAllister, and starts seeing the nice, but perhaps a little dull, Ben Morton. But when the past and the future collide, perpetual good girl Lulu is forced to make a decision: remain the ever-dependable one who gets walked all over, or do something unexpected and maybe even unforgivable?
HISTORICAL FICTION			
Perfect North	Jenny Bond	Tp \$29.99 \$27.00 	1897: As explorers and scientists scramble to conquer the North Pole, Nils Strindberg, with fellow adventurers S. A. Andr e and Knut Fr nkel, takes up the challenge. Setting flight in a hydrogen balloon, Nils leaves his fianc e Anna and his brother Erik behind in Stockholm anxiously hoping for his return.1930: When the men's remains are discovered on the frozen island of Kvit ya, the news makes headlines around the world. Brash young journalist Knut Stubbendorff is sent to report from the site and uncovers, among the debris, journals filled with love letters from Nils to Anna. Wanting to know more about the man who left his love to embark on a journey that was doomed from the start, Stubbendorff is determined to find her... but Anna doesn't want to be found.In a search that uncovers lost loves, deceit and long-buried secrets, Stubbendorff discovers a story that has stayed hidden for decades and the people who have been concealing it.
The Pagan Lord: Warrior Chronicles #7	Bernard Cornwell	Tp \$29.99 \$27.00 	Alfred the Great is dead and Edward his son reigns as king. Wessex survives but peace cannot hold. The Danes in the north, led by Viking Cnut Longsword, stand ready to invade and will never rest until the emerald crown is theirs. Uhtred, once Alfred's great warrior but now out of favour with the new king, must lead a band of outcasts north to recapture his old family home, that great Northumbrian fortress, Bebbanburg. Loyalties will be divided and men will fall, as every Saxon kingdom is drawn into the bloodiest battle yet with the Danes; a war which will decide the fate of every king, and the entire English nation.
The Signature of All Things	Elizabeth Gilbert	Tp \$29.99 \$27.00 	5th January 1800. At the beginning of a new century, Alma Whittaker is born into a perfect Philadelphia winter. Her father, Henry Whittaker, is a bold and charismatic botanical explorer whose vast fortune belies his lowly beginnings as a vagrant in Kew Gardens. Alma's mother, a strict woman from an esteemed Dutch family, is conversant in five living languages (and two dead ones) and her knowledge of botany is equal to any man's. An independent girl with a thirst for knowledge, it is not long before Alma comes into her own within the world of plants and science. As Alma's careful studies of moss take her deeper into the mysteries of evolution, the man she comes to love draws her in the opposite direction - into the realm of the spiritual, the divine, and the magical. Alma is a clear-minded scientist; Ambrose is a Utopian artist. But what unites this couple is a shared passion for knowing - a desperate need to understand the workings of this world and the mechanisms behind all of life.

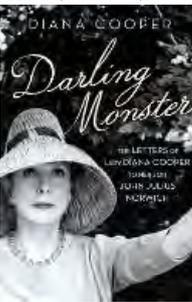
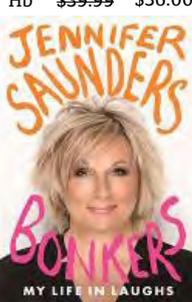
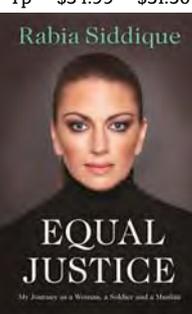
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<p>An Officer and a Spy</p>	<p>Robert Harris</p>	<p>Tp \$32.95 \$29.65</p> 	<p>January 1895. On a freezing morning in the heart of Paris, an army officer, Georges Picquart, witnesses a convicted spy, Captain Alfred Dreyfus, being publicly humiliated in front of twenty thousand spectators baying 'Death to the Jew!' The officer is rewarded with promotion: Picquart is made the French army's youngest colonel and put in command of 'the Statistical Section' - the shadowy intelligence unit that tracked down Dreyfus. The spy, meanwhile, is given a punishment of medieval cruelty: Dreyfus is shipped off to a lifetime of solitary confinement on Devil's Island - unable to speak to anyone, not even his guards, his case seems closed forever. But gradually Picquart comes to believe there is something rotten at the heart of the Statistical Section. When he discovers another German spy operating on French soil, his superiors are oddly reluctant to pursue it. Despite official warnings, Picquart persists, and soon the officer and the spy are in the same predicament.</p>
<p>The Storyteller and His Three Daughters</p>	<p>Lian Hearn</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>Sei is a storyteller. It's 1884 in Tokyo, and for fifty years he has been a master of his art, but now he is starting to wonder if the new world has left him behind. Momentous changes are taking place, and everyone is looking for novelty and excitement. Just when he thinks he will never write again, his own life and the lives of the people around him begin to spiral providing the inspiration for the greatest story he has ever told. A story of love, jealousy, intrigue, and betrayal. At home his daughters' marriages are falling apart, and coming back together again, and in his neighbourhood, he bears witness to a love entanglement so strange and threatening not even his audiences will believe it. Set against the backdrop of Japan's first incursions into Korea and a changing political landscape, Sei offers wise and witty reflections on the perils and delights of storytelling, its lies and, ultimately, its truth.</p>
<p>Stormbird: Wars of the Roses #1</p>	<p>Conn Iggulden</p>	<p>Tp \$32.99 \$29.70</p> 	<p>King Henry V - the great Lion of England - is long dead. In 1437, after years of regency, the pious and gentle Henry VI, the Lamb, comes of age and accedes to the English throne. His poor health and frailty of mind render him a weakling king - Henry depends on his closest men, Spymaster Derry Brewer and William de la Pole, Duke of Suffolk, to run his kingdom. Yet there are those, such as the Plantagenet Richard, Duke of York, who believe England must be led by a strong king if she is to survive. With England's territories in France under threat, and rumours of revolt at home, fears grow that Henry and his advisers will see the country slide into ruin. With a secret deal struck for Henry to marry a young French noblewoman, Margaret of Anjou, those fears become all too real. As storm clouds gather over England, King Henry and his supporters find themselves besieged abroad and at home. Who, or what can save the kingdom before it is too late?</p>
<p>The Oath: Odysseus #1</p>	<p>Valerio Massimo Manfredi</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>As a young boy in Ithaca, Odysseus listens in wonder to his grandfather Autolykos, a man feared by many across the land as a ruthless fighter. He learns of his heritage and a lifelong passion is sparked: to become an adventurer and warrior. In Mycenae, he meets King Eurystheus and learns the terrible story of Hercules - the man with god-like strength who slaughtered his family and punished by the King to undertake impossible tasks to earn absolution. But is Eurystheus the man he says he is? When a child comes to Odysseus in the middle of the night, with another, very disturbing, version of what happened that fateful night, Odysseus embarks on the first of his extraordinary quests... So begins the epic story of Odysseus, the first of two volumes: an adventure of love, war, courage and heroism, weaving from a small rocky island in Greece, to the mighty fall of Troy.</p>
<p>John Saturnall's Feast</p>	<p>Lawrence Norfolk</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>The village of Buckland, 1625. A boy and his mother run for their lives. Behind them a mob chants of witchcraft. Taking refuge among the trees of Buccla's Wood, the mother opens her book and tells her son of an ancient Feast kept in secret down the generations. But as exquisite dishes rise from the page, the ground beneath them freezes. That winter, the boy's mother dies. Taken to Buckland Manor, John is put to work in the house's vast subterranean kitchens where his talent raises him from the scullery to the great house above. A complex dish served to King Charles brings him before Lady Lucretia Fremantle, the headstrong daughter of the house. He must tempt her from her fast. But both encounters will imperil him. As the Civil War begins and the New Order's fanatical soldiers march, John and Lucretia are thrown together into a passionate struggle for survival. To keep all he holds most dear, John must realise his mother's vision. He must serve the Saturnall Feast.</p>

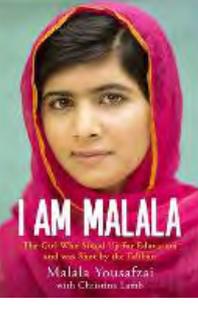
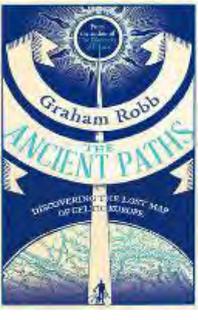
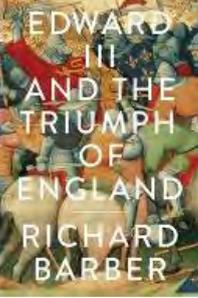
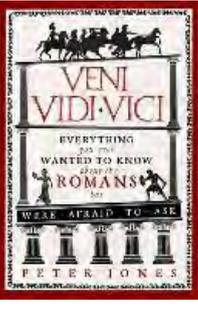
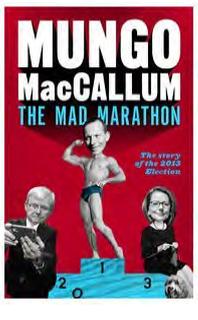
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<p>The Blood Crows: Cato & Macro #12</p>	<p>Simon Scarrow</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>For nearly ten years, the Roman Empire has fought ceaselessly to strengthen its hold over Britannia. But opposition from native tribes led by the ruthless warrior Caratacus threatens to destroy everything. Prefect Cato and Centurion Macro are summoned by Governor Ostorius to Londinium. Tasked with leading a newly formed cavalry cohort into the heartland of Wales, they must destroy the growing resistance. But with Caratacus hatching increasingly ambitious plans and disorder threatening from within Macro and Cato's own ranks, this final test will push the soldiers to their limits. And if they do not emerge as victors, the Emperor Claudius's rule may be at stake, and the very foundations of the Roman Empire could be shattered irrevocably.</p>
<p>AUSTRALIAN BIOGRAPHY</p>			
<p>Fortunate Voyager The Worlds of Ninian Stephen</p>	<p>Philip Ayres</p>	<p>Hb \$59.99 \$54.00</p> 	<p>One life, many roles: soldier, brilliant barrister, High Court judge, Governor-General, Australian diplomat, mediator in Northern Ireland, member of the first war crimes tribunal since Nuremburg and Tokyo, head of UN and Commonwealth missions to crisis zones from Cambodia to Burma to Bangladesh, Sir Ninian Stephen is the recipient of five knighthoods and the most honoured Australian in history. In this, the first whole-of-life biography of the subject, Philip Ayres traces Stephen's early life in Scotland, England and around continental Europe, from Edinburgh and the Highlands to the spa towns of France and Germany, including the details of his education at outstanding British and Swiss schools and his highly unorthodox family life as an only child with an absent father, the details of which, like so much here, have never previously been revealed.</p>
<p>The Reporter and the Warlords: An Australian at Large in China's Republican Revolution</p>	<p>Craig Collie</p>	<p>Tp \$32.99 \$29.70</p> 	<p>Set against the turbulent background of China in the first half of the 20th century, this reads like a romantic novel; but it's a true story. The reporter is the intrepid Australian journalist Will Donald, who arrived in Hong Kong in 1903 and by 1908 was Managing Editor of the China Mail. As a freelance journalist based in Shanghai, Donald then became advisor to a number of influential public figures, including Sun Yat-Sen and Chiang Kai-Shek, entangling himself in their power struggles. He participated in the armed struggle to overthrow the last emperor of China and then wrote proclamations for Sun Yat-Sen, who ultimately became Provisional President of the Republic of China. Will Donald's most intriguing alliance was with the swashbuckling Manchurian warlord and morphine-addicted womaniser, Zhang Xueliang. The lives of these two extraordinary men became entwined over the decades and provide a compelling narrative.</p>
<p>Carry a Big Stick: A Funny, Fearless Life of Friendship, Laughter and MS</p>	<p>Tim Ferguson</p>	<p>Tp \$35.00 \$31.50</p> 	<p>Tim Ferguson was a star of the international comedy circuit. Along with Paul McDermott and Richard Fidler he was part of the edgy, provocative and very funny Doug Anthony Allstars. In 1994 they were at the height of their powers, performing in a season at the Criterion Theatre on Piccadilly Circus. The three mates, who began busking on the streets of Canberra a decade earlier, had achieved their ambition to become the self-styled rock stars of comedy. Then, all of a sudden, Tim woke up one morning and his whole left side wouldn't work. He'd had a lurking suspicion that something was wrong and after more episodes he went to a doctor thinking he'd be told to change his diet and get more sleep. It wasn't so simple. An eventual diagnosis of multiple sclerosis (MS) meant an end to the frenetic, high-energy life he was living. This book is a chance for Tim to tell his story. He wants to make people laugh but also give inspiration to all the people doing it hard. A lot of people keep MS to themselves because it's invisible. In Tim's case, he has the stick.</p>
<p>Collins of the Sydney: A Life of Vice Admiral Sir John Collins</p>	<p>A MacDougall</p>	<p>Pb \$39.95 \$35.95</p> 	<p>One of the first intake of teenage cadet-midshipmen to enter the new Royal Australian Naval College, in 1913, John Collins was early recognised as a brilliant officer with remarkable gifts. As captain of the light cruiser HMAS Sydney in the Mediterranean in 1940, Collins and his ship achieved fame, surviving 88 actions without the loss of a single man. Appointed Commodore, Collins won further distinction in the battles to save Singapore and Java and became in 1944 the first Australian - and Australian-trained - officer to command Australia's naval forces, surviving cruel wounds from kamikase attack off the Philippines to become the first RANC officer to serve as Chief of Naval Staff (1948-55) and to reach the high rank of Vice-Admiral. He had become the Navy's indispensable man and his success continued after retirement when he served as a popular Australian high commissioner to New Zealand. This biography, written with access to his personal papers, is fitting tribute to one of the most respected public figures in Australia's life.</p>
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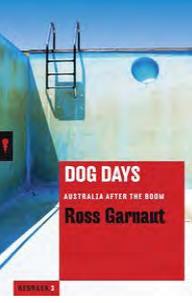
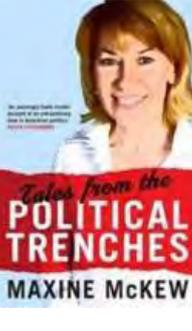
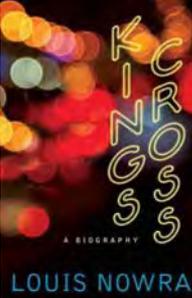
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<p>Darling Monster: The Letters of Lady Diana Cooper to Her Son John Julius Norwich 1939-1952</p>	<p>Diana Cooper</p>	<p>Hb \$59.95 \$53.95</p> 	<p>Diana's letters to her only son, John Julius Norwich, take us from the rumblings of war, through the Blitz, which the Coopers spent holed up in the Dorchester, to the Sussex countryside where we see Diana blissfully setting up a smallholding as part of the war effort. After a spell with the Free French in Algiers, Duff was appointed British Ambassador to France and the couple settled into the glorious embassy in post-Liberation Paris. And of course everyone who's everyone is here, often in affectionate and unguarded detail, from Diana's close friends Evelyn Waugh and the Mitfords to Laurence Olivier and Vivien Leigh in Hollywood; from an off-duty Churchill to Roosevelt at the White House; from Edward and Wallis Simpson to the young princesses Margaret and Elizabeth. But over and beyond all the glitz are the daily details of Diana's life, from which she emerges as a highly intelligent, funny, fiercely loyal and immensely likeable woman. As a portrait of a time, some of history's most important events and a high-profile woman, these letters are invaluable.</p>
<p>Colette's France: Her Life and Loves</p>	<p>Jane Gilmour</p>	<p>Hb \$45.00 \$40.50</p> 	<p>Her companions were all the great French writers, artists, actors and intellectuals and her life is told against a backdrop and atmosphere of great creativity and style, liberation and rebellion. Colette both wrote about love and lived love to the fullest in the most independent, and often outrageous sense: numerous lovers, several marriages, a lesbian affair, and an affair with her seventeen year old stepson. Colette's France reveals too her deep and personal love of France and the natural world. This book is an illustrated biography of French writer, Colette, told through the locations in France where she lived, worked and loved. Her lively life story moves along through her many different relationships and homes: from a childhood in Burgundy, to Paris of the Belle Epoque, Brittany to Provence and more. Beautiful photographs and illustrations bring her story alive and evoke the style and fashion of the times.</p>
<p>Bonkers: My Life With Laughs</p>	<p>Jennifer Saunders</p>	<p>Hb \$39.99 \$36.00</p> 	<p>Jennifer Saunders' comic creations have brought joy to millions. From Comic Strip to Comic Relief, from Bolly-swilling Edina in Ab Fab to her takes on Madonna or Mamma Mia, her characters are household names. But it's Jennifer herself who has a place in all our hearts. Bonkers is full of riotous adventures: accidentally enrolling on a teacher training course with a young Dawn French, bluffing her way to each BBC series, shooting Lulu, trading wild faxes with Joanna Lumley, touring India with Ruby Wax and Goldie Hawn. There's cancer, too, when she becomes 'Brave Jen'. But her biggest battle is with the bane of her life: the Laws of Procrastination. As she admits, 'There has never been a Plan. Everything has been fairly random, happened by accident or just fallen into place. I'm off now, to do some sweeping...' Prepare to chuckle, whoop, and go Bonkers!</p>
<p>Equal Justice</p>	<p>Rabia Siddique</p>	<p>Tp \$34.99 \$31.50</p> 	<p>Rabia Siddique is a woman with an extraordinary perspective. Growing up as a Muslim in the conservative and monocultural landscape of 1970s suburban Perth, she knew what it was like to be different. She trained as a lawyer, and found herself working in the UK on that fateful day in September 2001 when terrorists attacked the US. She joined the British army in the Judge Advocates' division as a military lawyer. She served in Iraq and was taken hostage by insurgents as she tried to negotiate the release of two kidnapped British soldiers. She battled for hours to save their lives, using her legal expertise, knowledge of Islam and Arabic to negotiate with their captors. After their release, her colleague received a Military Cross. Rabia received nothing. Her subsequent sex and race discrimination case against the British Army made headlines around the world. After leaving the army, she joined the Crown Prosecution Service as a prosecutor working on terrorism cases. Her perspective as a feminist, a social justice crusader, and a Muslim is unique, and her memoir is a story of grit, courage and conviction like no other.</p>
<p>Mastering the Art of Soviet Cooking: A Memoir of Food and Longing</p>	<p>Anya von Bremzen</p>	<p>Pb \$24.95 \$22.45</p> 	<p>Born in a surreal Moscow communal apartment where eighteen families shared one kitchen, Anya von Bremzen grew up singing odes to Lenin, black-marketeering Juicy Fruit gum at school, and longing for a taste of the mythical West. It was a life by turns absurd, drab, naively joyous, melancholy and, finally, intolerable. In 1974, when Anya was ten, she and her mother fled to the USA, with no winter coats and no right of return. These days, Anya is the doyenne of high-end food writing. And yet, the flavour of Soviet kolbasa, like Proust's madeleine, transports her back to that vanished Atlantis known as the USSR. In this sweeping, tragicomic memoir, Anya recreates seven decades of the Soviet experience through cooking and food, and reconstructs a moving family history spanning three generations. Her narrative is embedded in a larger historical epic: Lenin's bloody grain requisitioning, World War II starvation, Stalin's table manners, Khrushchev's kitchen debates, Gorbachev's disastrous anti-alcohol policies and the ultimate collapse of the USSR.</p>

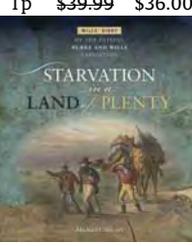
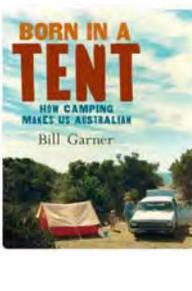
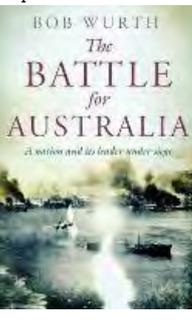
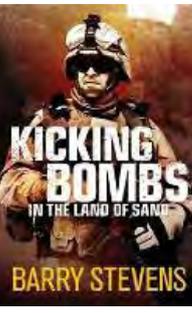
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<p>I am Malala: The Girl who was shot by the Taliban</p>	<p>Malala Yousafzai & Christina Lamb</p>	<p>Tp \$32.99 \$29.70</p> 	<p>I come from a country which was created at midnight. When I almost died it was just after midday. When the Taliban took control of the Swat Valley, one girl spoke out. Malala Yousafzai refused to be silenced and fought for her right to an education. On Tuesday 9 October 2012, she almost paid the ultimate price. Shot in the head at point blank range while riding the bus home from school, few expected her to survive. Instead, Malala's miraculous recovery has taken her on an extraordinary journey from a remote valley in Northern Pakistan to the halls of the United Nations in New York. At sixteen, she has become a global symbol of peaceful protest and the youngest ever nominee for the Nobel Peace Prize. I Am Malala is the remarkable tale of a family uprooted by global terrorism, of the fight for girls' education, and of Malala's parents' fierce love for their daughter in a society that prizes sons.</p>
<p>HISTORY</p>			
<p>Ancient Paths: Discovering the Lost Map of Celtic Europe</p>	<p>Graham Robb</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>When Graham Robb made plans to cycle the legendary Via Heraklea, he had no idea that the line he plotted - stretching from the south-western tip of the Iberian Peninsula, across the Pyrenees and towards the Alps - would change the way he saw a civilization. It was an ancient path that took him deep into the world of the Celts: their gods, their art, and, most of all, their sophisticated knowledge of science. Gradually, a lost map revealed itself, of an empire constructed with precision and beauty across vast tracts of Europe. Oriented according to the movements of the Celtic sun god, the map had been forgotten for almost two millennia. Its implications were astonishing. Minutely researched and rich in revelations, The Ancient Paths brings to life centuries of our distant history and reinterprets pre-Roman Europe. Told with all of Robb's grace and verve, it is a dazzling, unforgettable book.</p>
<p>Edward III and the Triumph of England: The Battle of Crecy and the Company of the Garter</p>	<p>Richard Barber</p>	<p>Hb \$49.99 \$45.00</p> 	<p>The destruction of the French army at Crecy in 1346 and the subsequent siege and capture of Calais marked a new era in European history. The most powerful, glamorous and respected of all western monarchies had been completely humiliated by England, a country long viewed either as a chaotic backwater or a mere French satellite. The young Edward III's triumph would launch both countries, as we now know, into a grim cycle of some 90 years of further fighting ending with English defeat, but after Crecy anything seemed possible - Edward's claim to be King of France could be pressed home and, in any event, enormous rewards of land, treasure and prestige were available both to the king and to the close companions who had made the victory possible. It was to enshrine this moment that Edward created one of the most famous of all knightly orders, the Company of the Garter. Barber writes about both the great campaigns and the individuals who formed the original membership of the Company - and through their biographies makes the period tangible and fascinating.</p>
<p>Veni, Vidi, Vici: Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About the Romans But Were Afraid to Ask</p>	<p>Peter Jones</p>	<p>Hb \$35.00 \$31.50</p> 	<p>The Romans left a long-lasting legacy and their influence can still be seen all around us - from our calendar and coins, to our language and laws - but how much do we really know about them? Help is at hand in the form of Veni, Vidi, Vici, which tells the remarkable, and often surprising, story of the Romans and the most enduring empire in history. Fusing a lively and entertaining narrative with rigorous research, Veni, Vidi, Vici breaks down each major period into a series of concise nuggets that provide a fascinating commentary on every aspect of the Roman world - from plebs to personalities, saucers to sexuality, games to gladiators, poets to punishments, mosaics to medicine and Catullus to Christianity. Through the twists and turns of his 1250-year itinerary, Peter Jones is a friendly and clear-thinking guide. In this book he has produced a beguiling and entertaining introduction to the Romans, one that vividly brings to life the people who helped create the world we live in today.</p>
<p>The Mad Marathon: The Story of the 2013 Election</p>	<p>Mungo MacCallum</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>With the 2013 race for the Lodge now run and won, who better than Mungo MacCallum to make sense of it all? With wit and insight, Mungo documents the ups and downs of this longest of campaigns. He dissects Labor's self-destructive leadership war, the Coalition's cheap and nasty Broadband Lite, and the plight of our billionaire battlers, doing it tough on \$250K. This fast-paced and incisive account follows Canberra's finest as they speed around the country, taking selfies, kissing nuns and generally saying anything to get your vote. The Mad Marathon is the essential chronicle of the 2013 election year from one of Australia's most original and entertaining writers.</p>

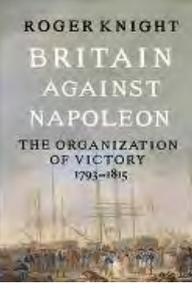
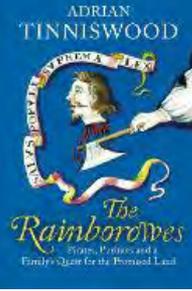
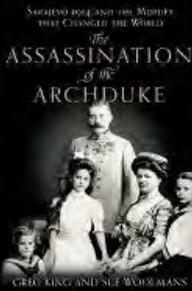
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<p>Dog Days: Australia After the Boom</p>	<p>Ross Garnaut</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>After the resources boom, where is Australia heading? Australians have just lived through a period of exceptional prosperity, but we can no longer assume that living standards will inevitably keep rising. Commodity prices are dropping and the boom is set to end. Are we ready for the challenges ahead? In Dog Days, Ross Garnaut explains how we got here, what we can expect in the future, why reform is harder now than in previous decades, and how we can make the tough choices we need to survive the downturn. Are we clever enough – and our leaders brave enough – to change what needs to be changed and accept the need for shared sacrifice? This is a broad-ranging book about Australia's future by a leading adviser to government and business, someone with a proven record of seeing where Australia is heading. Both forecast and analysis, it heralds a new era for Australia after the boom.</p>
<p>Tales from the Political Trenches (Updated Edition)</p>	<p>Maxine McKew</p>	<p>Pb \$24.99 \$22.50</p> 	<p>In Tales from the Political Trenches Maxine McKew counters the view that Julia Gillard was a reluctant deputy who was forced to move against a chaotic and dysfunctional Kevin Rudd - and offers a different version of events. Her story is an intimate account of one of the most tumultuous periods in Australian politics, as well as a tale of personal change. She brings a reporter's eye and an insider's knowledge to a story that has caused despair among Labor supporters and produced disillusionment among the electorate. After winning a spectacular victory against Prime Minister John Howard in 2007, McKew was one of the many casualties of the disastrous 2010 election campaign, when Labor was left clinging to the wreckage and forced into minority government. Still dealing with her own disappointments in a political career cut short by the machinations of her own party, and with more questions than answers, McKew has spent the past year talking to her colleagues in an effort to understand what went wrong.</p>
<p>Kings Cross: A Biography</p>	<p>Louis Nowra</p>	<p>Tp \$34.99 \$31.50</p> 	<p>Louis Nowra burrows beneath the sensationalist Underbelly 'sex and sin' narrative, revealing stories and a cast of characters – some household names others little-known - that not even a writer could conjure up. Kings Cross is a no-holds barred place, where backpackers, prostitutes, strippers, chefs, mad men, poets, beggars, booksellers, doctors, gangsters, sailors, musicians, drug traffickers, eccentrics, judges and artists live side by side. Part flaneur, part historian and part eyewitness, Louis Nowra is the best possible guide to a place both real, and a state of mind.</p>
<p>Before the Anzac Dawn: A Military History of Australia Before 1915</p>	<p>Craig Stockings & John Connor</p>	<p>Tp \$34.99 \$31.50</p> 	<p>This book provides a comprehensive and compelling account of Australian military history before any soldier set foot on Gallipoli. It shows that this pre-1915 history has largely been forgotten. Indeed the extent to which Australians thought about war and experienced war before ANZAC existed will surprise many readers. Starting with detailed accounts of both traditional indigenous warfare and frontier wars between whites settlers and indigenous inhabitants, we learn of the setting up of colonial navies, the red coats who guarded the colonies, Australians fighting in wars against New Zealand Maori, cadet and rifle clubs as well as the overseas wars we joined up for in the Crimea and Sudan. Written by leading experts in their fields and expertly edited by Craig Stockings and John Connor, Before the Anzac Dawn is essential reading for anyone interested in understanding the whole story of Australia's military history.</p>
<p>First Victory, 1914: HMAS Sydney's Hunt for the German Raider, Emden</p>	<p>Mike Carlton</p>	<p>Hb \$45.00 \$35.00</p> 	<p>In the opening months of the First World War, Emden's trail of destruction was tremendous. This one small ship and her skilled and gallant captain wrought havoc on the maritime trade of the British Empire, capturing and sinking ships at will. Australia, sending wool, wheat and gold across the Indian Ocean to sustain the Mother Country and despatching tens of thousands of young men to join the fight, had a vital interest in bringing Emden to her end. The battle, when it came, was short and bloody, an emphatic first victory at sea for the newborn Royal Australian Navy. It remains to this day a celebrated epic of naval warfare. In the century since, many writers have been there before Mike Carlton. Most were German, some of them survivors of the battle, others later historians, and they have generally told the story well. British accounts vary in quality, from good to nonsense, and there have been some patchwork American attempts as well. Curiously, there has been very little written from an Australian point of view.</p>

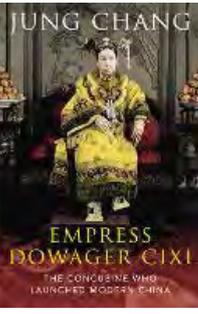
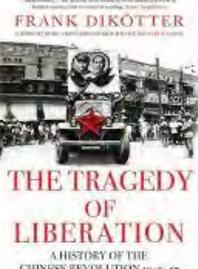
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<p>Starvation in a Land of Plenty: Will's Diary of the Fateful Burke and Wills Expedition</p>	<p>Michael Cathcart</p>	<p>Tp \$39.99 \$36.00</p> 	<p>Between 23 April and 28 June 1861, Wills documented the torments and disappointments that led to his and Burke's destruction. Surprising to many, though, Wills was not the second-in-command but, rather, the party's 'surveyor, astronomical and meteorological observer'. His entries would go on to help historians understand the circumstances that led to the tragic end of the expedition. Today, the diary is held by the National Library of Australia and forms the foundation of Starvation in a Land of Plenty.</p>
<p>Born in a Tent: How Camping Makes Us Australian</p>	<p>Bill Garner</p>	<p>Tp \$39.99 \$36.00</p> 	<p>Breathtakingly original, this book shows that the history of Australia can be told through a history of camping. Bill Garner reminds us that Australia was settled as a campsite – the nation was born in a tent. But while Europeans brought tents, they did not bring camping. Australia had been a camping place for millennia. And so it continued to be. For more than a hundred years, settlers – women as well as men – colonised the country by living under canvas. It changed them into a new sort of native Australian. It gave them a feel for the place, a wry can-do attitude, and a lasting taste for equality. And it led to a sense of belonging. Born in a Tent takes the story from the campfire to the gas bottle, from a tarp slung on saplings to polymer tents and aluminium poles. It reveals how deeply our camping holidays connect us to the land, to the past, and to one another.</p>
<p>Underground Australia</p>	<p>Michael McKernan</p>	<p>Tp \$39.99 \$36.00</p> 	<p>What lurks beneath the surface? In the bowels of a Sydney pub, the publican poses with his hand in chains: a reminder of the time when the underground store was a convict cell. A family, thrown out of home during the Great Depression, set up house in a cave. Women sort mushrooms in a disused railway tunnel in 1950s; a jazz band rehearses beneath the Royal George Hotel. As people go about their busy lives, beneath their feet members of the Cave Clan clamber through shadowy stormwater tunnels. Written by historian Michael McKernan, Underground Australia is illustrated with photographs from the National Library of Australia. With images by some of the country's best-known photographers, including Jeff Carter, Wolfgang Sievers and Frank Hurley, this book will take you on a journey to an amazing underground world.</p>
<p>The Battle for Australia: A Nation and its Leader Under Siege</p>	<p>Bob Wurth</p>	<p>Tp \$32.99 \$29.70</p> 	<p>The Battle for Australia stemmed the unprecedented Japanese advance from the north. It was fought in Malaya, Singapore, the East Indies, Borneo, Timor, Ambon and across New Guinea at places like Rabaul, Port Moresby, Kokoda, Milne Bay and Lae. It spread southward to the skies over in northern Australia and to the seas around the Australian continent. Merged as one composite battle, it is now commemorated on the first Wednesday of each September. This also is the story of Australia's war Prime Minister John Curtin, a flawed, sensitive leader haunted by the prospect of disaster and plagued by depression and anxiety. By early 1942, Australia was at its most vulnerable. Yet Britain had far greater priorities. Remarkably, at the worst possible time in January 1942, Curtin abandoned defence headquarters in Melbourne and took a slow train home across the Nullabor. The question was: could Australia's new Prime Minister carry on his enormous responsibilities?</p>
<p>Kicking Bombs: In the Land of Sand</p>	<p>Barry Stevens</p>	<p>Pb \$24.99 \$22.50</p> 	<p>After 22 years in the Army, there was nothing Craig Jackson (CJ) didn't know about the deadly craft of bomb detection and disposal. He was the go-to guy for clearing an area of explosives. Craig establishes his own landmine-clearance company, and is soon catapulted into the thick of the war in Iraq, tasked with disposing of Saddam Hussein's massive array of bombs, ammunition and weapons. This is Craig's dream job: getting to play with hundreds of thousands of tons of explosive ordnance, while also doing a bit of good on the side. Everything is going smoothly until a typical convoy sortie in the Iraqi desert turns Craig's world into a nightmare. Ambushed by a large, well-armed and organised enemy force, Craig and his colleagues are taken prisoner by Saddam's henchmen. Thrust into a nether world of pain and brutality, all of his thoughts and efforts become focussed on one thing: staying alive.</p>

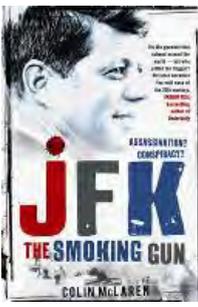
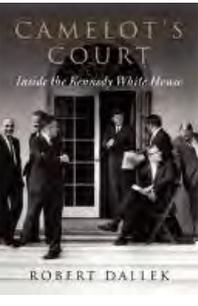
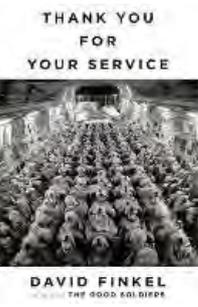
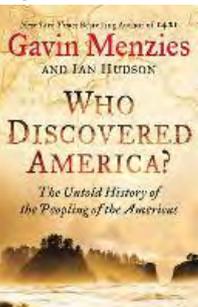
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<p>Let the Land Speak: A History of Australia - How the Land Created Our Nation</p>	<p>Jackie French</p>	<p>Hb \$45.00 \$40.50</p> 	<p>To understand Australia's history, you need to look at how the land has shaped not just our past, but will continue to shape our future. From highly respected, award-winning author Jackie French comes a new and fascinating interpretation of Australian history, focusing on how the land itself, rather than social forces, shaped the major events that led to modern Australia. Our history is mostly written by those who live, work and research in cities, but it's the land itself which has shaped our history far more powerfully and significantly than we realise. Reinterpreting the history we think we all know - from the indigenous women who shaped the land, from Terra Incognita to Eureka, from Federation to Gallipoli and beyond, Jackie French shows us that to understand our history, we need to understand our land. Taking us behind history and the accepted version of events, she also shows us that there's so much we don't understand about our history because we simply don't understand the way life was lived at the time.</p>
<p>Retro Sydney: The Way We Used to Live (Updated Edition)</p>	<p>Ian Collis</p>	<p>Hb \$45.00 \$40.50</p> 	<p>Updated edition, this is a fantastic visual throwback to the 'Harbour City in the 1950s and 60s, with never before seen images gathered by vintage photograph collector Ian Collis. Breathtaking photos of Sydney's most valuable landmarks provide a retrospective insight into the architecture, automobiles, fashions and popular pastimes of Sydneysiders of the time.</p>
<p>Britain Against Napoleon: The Organisation of Victory, 1793-1815</p>	<p>Roger Knight</p>	<p>Hb \$49.99 \$45.00</p> 	<p>Britain Against Napoleon is the first book to explain how the British state successfully organised itself to overcome Napoleon - and how very close it came to defeat. For more than twenty years after 1793, the French army was supreme in continental Europe, and the British population lived in fear of French invasion. How was it that despite multiple changes of government and the assassination of a Prime Minister, Britain survived and won a generation-long war against a regime which at its peak in 1807 commanded many times the resources and manpower? This book looks beyond the familiar exploits of the army and navy to the politicians and civil servants, and examines how they made it possible to continue the war at all. It shows the degree to which, as the demands of the war remorselessly grew, the whole British population had to play its part.</p>
<p>The Rainborowes</p>	<p>Adrian Tinniswood</p>	<p>Hb \$55.00 \$45.00</p> 	<p>The Rainborowes bridges two generations and two worlds, weaving together the lives of the Rainborowe clan as they struggle to forge a better life for themselves and a better future for humankind in the New World. Starting with William Rainborowe, a prominent merchant-mariner and shipmaster, and his equally formidable sons and daughters between 1630 and 1660, we follow their astonishing story through the Civil War, the Putney debates, and settling in America. The Rainborowes explains America and mourns England's failed revolution. It spans oceans and ideologies and encompasses personal tragedies and triumphs, the death of kings and the birth of nations. Using rare printed material from the period and unpublished manuscripts from collections in Britain and America The Rainborowes recreates day-to-day life on both sides of the Atlantic during one of the most tumultuous periods in Western history.</p>
<p>The Assassination of the Archduke: Sarajevo 1914 and the Murder That Changed the World</p>	<p>Greg King & Sue Woolmans</p>	<p>Pb \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>This is the tragic story behind 'the shot that rang round the world' - the assassination of Franz Ferdinand and his beloved wife in Sarajevo in June 1914. In The Assassination of the Archduke, Greg King and Sue Woolmans offer readers a vivid account of the lives - and cruel deaths - of Franz Ferdinand and his beloved Sophie. Combining royal biography, romance, and political assassination, the story unfolds against a backdrop of glittering privilege and an Imperial Court consumed with hatred, taking readers from Bohemian castles to the horrors of Nazi concentration camps in a compelling, fascinating human drama. As moving as the fabled romance of Nicholas and Alexandra, as dramatic as Mayerling, Sarajevo resonates with love and loss, triumph and tragedy in a vibrant and powerful narrative. It lays bare the lethal circumstances surrounding that fateful Sunday morning in 1914, examining not only the Serbian conspiracy that killed Franz and Sophie but also insinuations about the hidden powers in Vienna that may well have sent them to their deaths.</p>

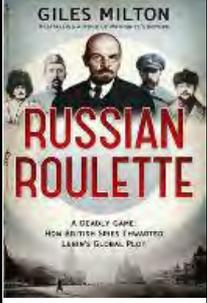
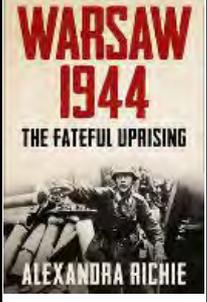
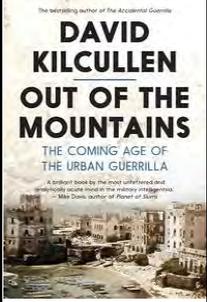
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<p>The Empress Dowager Cixi: The Concubine Who Launched Modern China</p>	<p>Jung Chang</p>	<p>Pb \$32.95 \$28.95</p> 	<p>Empress Dowager Cixi (1835-1908) is the most important woman in Chinese history. She ruled China for decades and brought a medieval empire into the modern age. At the age of 16, in a nationwide selection for royal consorts, Cixi was chosen as one of the emperor's numerous concubines and sexual partners. When he died in 1861, their 5 year-old son succeeded to the throne. Cixi at once launched a palace coup against the regents appointed by her husband and made herself the real ruler of China - behind the throne, literally, with a silk screen separating her from her officials who were all male. In this ground-breaking biography, Jung Chang vividly describes how Cixi fought against monumental obstacles to change China. Under her the ancient country attained virtually all the attributes of a modern state: industries, railways, electricity, telegraph, and an army and navy with up-to-date weaponry. Based on newly available, mostly Chinese, historical documents, this biography will revolutionise historical thinking about a crucial period in China's - and the world's - history.</p>
<p>The Tragedy of Liberation: A History of the Chinese Revolution 1945-1957</p>	<p>Frank Dikotter</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>In 1949 Mao Zedong hoisted the red flag over Beijing's Forbidden City. Instead of liberating the country, the communists destroyed the old order and replaced it with a repressive system that would dominate every aspect of Chinese life. In an epic of revolution and violence which draws on newly opened party archives, interviews and memoirs, Frank Dikotter interweaves the stories of millions of ordinary people with the brutal politics of Mao's court. A gripping account of how people from all walks of life were caught up in a tragedy that sent at least five million civilians to their deaths.</p>
<p>Hitler's Furies: German Women in the Nazi Killing Fields</p>	<p>Wendy Lower</p>	<p>Hb \$49.95 \$44.95</p> 	<p>The long-held picture of German women holding down the homefront during the war, as loyal wives and cheerleaders for the Fuhrer, pales in comparison to Lower's incisive case for the massive complicity, and worse, of the 500,000 young German women directly on the genocidal war zone of the expanding Reich. Lower builds a fascinating and convincing picture of a morally lost generation of young women, born into a defeated, tumultuous post-WWI Germany, and then swept up in the nationalistic fervor of the Nazi movement. These young women - nurses, teachers, secretaries, wives, and lovers - saw the emerging Nazi empire as a kind of wild east of career and matrimonial opportunity - and yet surely could not have imagined what they would witness and do there. Hitler's Furies is indelible proof that we have not known what we need to know about the role of women on the Nazi killing fields of the eastern front - or about how it could have been hidden for seventy years.</p>
<p>One Summer: America 1927</p>	<p>Bill Bryson</p>	<p>Hb \$49.95 \$39.95</p> 	<p>In the summer of 1927, America had a booming stock market, a president who worked just four hours a day (and slept much of the rest of the time), a semi-crazed sculptor with a mad plan to carve four giant heads into an inaccessible mountain called Rushmore, a devastating flood of the Mississippi, a sensational murder trial, and a youthful aviator named Charles Lindbergh who started the summer wholly unknown and finished it as the most famous man on earth. (So famous that Minnesota considered renaming itself after him.) It was the summer that saw the birth of talking pictures, the invention of television, the peak of Al Capone's reign of terror, the horrifying bombing of a school in Michigan by a madman, the ill-conceived decision that led to the Great Depression, the thrillingly improbable return to greatness of a wheezing, over-the-hill baseball player named Babe Ruth, and an almost impossible amount more. In this hugely entertaining book, Bill Bryson spins a story of brawling adventure, reckless optimism and delirious energy, with an unforgettable cast of vivid and eccentric personalities.</p>
<p>Command and Control</p>	<p>Eric Schlosser</p>	<p>Pb \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>This book explores the dilemma that has existed since the dawn of the nuclear age: how do you deploy weapons of mass destruction without being destroyed by them? Schlosser reveals that this question has never been resolved, and while other headlines dominate the news, nuclear weapons still pose a grave risk to mankind. At the heart of Command and Control lies the story of an accident at a missile silo in rural Arkansas, where a handful of men struggled to prevent the explosion of a ballistic missile carrying the most powerful nuclear warhead ever built by the United States. It depicts the urgent effort by American scientists, policymakers and military officers to ensure that nuclear weapons can't be stolen, sabotaged, used without permission or detonated inadvertently. Looking at the Cold War from a new perspective, Schlosser offers history from the ground up, telling the stories of bomber pilots, missile commanders, maintenance crews and other ordinary servicemen who risked their lives to avert a nuclear holocaust.</p>

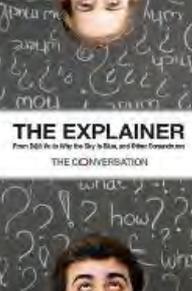
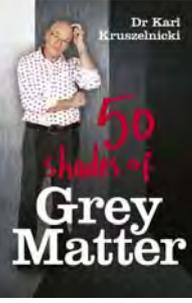
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<p>JFK: The Smoking Gun</p>	<p>Colin McLaren</p>	<p>Pb \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>On 22nd November 1963, the 35th president of the United States, John Fitzgerald Kennedy, and his wife Jackie were taking part in a presidential motorcade through Dallas. Thousands lined the streets cheering; others hung out of windows to catch a glimpse of the much-loved First Lady and President. Suddenly, the unthinkable. Three shots: bang bang, bang rang out. In front of the world, John F Kennedy was fatally wounded. Lee Harvey Oswald was caught. But did he pull the trigger? 'Who really killed JFK?' Fifty years after the tragic events in Dallas, JFK: The Smoking Gun solves the ultimate cold case. With the forensic eye of a highly regarded ex-cop, Colin McLaren has gathered the evidence, studied 10,000 pages of transcripts, and found the witnesses the Warren Commission failed to call, and the exhibits and testimonies that were hidden, until now.</p>
<p>Camelot's Court: Inside the Kennedy White House</p>	<p>Robert Dallek</p>	<p>Hb \$35.00 \$31.50</p> 	<p>Kennedy purposefully put together a dynamic team of advisers noted for their brilliance and acumen, including Attorney General Robert Kennedy, JFK's adviser-in-chief; Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara; Secretary of State Dean Rusk; National Security Adviser McGeorge Bundy; and trusted aides Ted Sorensen and Arthur Schlesinger. Yet the very traits these men shared also created sharp divisions. Far from unified, JFK's brain trust was an uneasy band of rivals whose personal ambitions and clashing beliefs ignited fiery debates behind closed doors. With skill and balance, Dallek illuminates a president deeply determined to surround himself with the best and the brightest, yet who often found himself disappointed with their recommendations. The result is a striking portrait of a leader whose wise resistance to pressure and adherence to personal principles, particularly in matters of foreign affairs, offers a cautionary tale for our own time.</p>
<p>Thank You For Your Service</p>	<p>David Finkel</p>	<p>Pb \$29.95 \$26.95</p> 	<p>Once again, Finkel embeds himself with some of the men of the 2-16 Infantry Battalion - but this time he has done it at home, here in the States, after their deployments have ended. He is with them in their most intimate, painful, and hopeful moments as they try to recover, and in doing so, he creates an indelible, essential portrait of what life after war is like - not just for these soldiers, but for their wives, widows, children, and friends, and for the professionals who are truly trying, and to a great degree failing, to undo the damage that has been done. The story Finkel tells is mesmerizing, impossible to put down. With his unparalleled ability to report a story, he climbs into the hearts and minds of those he writes about. Thank You for Your Service is an act of understanding, and it offers a more complete picture than we have ever had of these two essential questions: When we ask young men and women to go to war, what are we asking of them? And when they return, what are we thanking them for?</p>
<p>Who Discovered America? The Untold History of the Peopling of the Americas</p>	<p>Gavin Menzies & Ian Hudson</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>Building on the startling revelations of 1421, iconic historian Gavin Menzies explores the possibility that mankind made transcontinental voyages centuries before the supposed discoveries of European explorers. With meticulous research and an adventurer's spirit, Menzies has uncovered astounding new evidence that calls into question everything about mankind's peopling of the American continents - from theories of ancient man's initial migration there to Columbus's fateful voyage. Traveling to the far-flung reaches of the earth, Menzies offers a revolutionary new alternative to the Beringia theory of how the human race crossed a land bridge connecting Asia and North America during the last Ice Age; in truth, ancient seafaring voyages had brought travelers to the Americas thousands of years prior. This book is a fascinating new account with astonishing implications for the history of all mankind.</p>
<p>1914: The Year the World Ended</p>	<p>Paul Ham</p>	<p>Hb \$49.95 \$44.95</p> 	<p>Few years can justly be said to have transformed the earth: 1914 did. In July that year, Germany, Austria-Hungary, Russia, Britain and France were poised to plunge the world into a war that would kill or wound 37 million people, tear down the fabric of society, uproot ancient political systems and set the course for the bloodiest century in human history. In the longer run, the events of 1914 set the world on the path toward the Russian Revolution, the Treaty of Versailles, the rise of Nazism and the Cold War. In 1914: The Year the World Ended, award-winning historian Paul Ham tells the story of the outbreak of the Great War from German, British, French, Austria-Hungarian, Russian and Serbian perspectives. Along the way, he debunks several stubborn myths. This book seeks to answer the most vexing question of the 20th century: Why did European governments decide to condemn the best part of a generation of young men to the trenches and four years of slaughter, during which 8.5 million would die?</p>

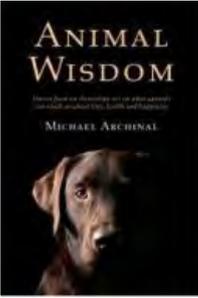
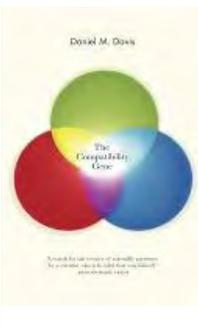
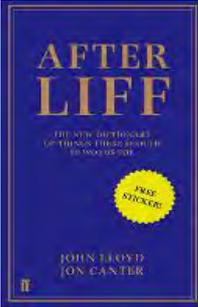
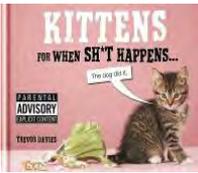
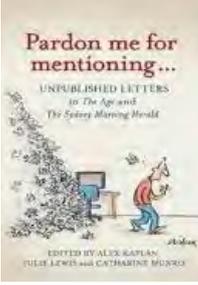
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<p>Russian Roulette: A Deadly Game - How British Spies Thwarted Lenin's Global Plot</p>	<p>Giles Milton</p>	<p>Hb \$39.99 \$36.00</p> 	<p>This book tells the story of the first global plot and the British spies who were sent to thwart it. The Soviet plot was breathtaking in scale: its aim was to destroy British rule in India, as a precursor to toppling the democracies of the West. It was to bring together two deadly forces - Soviet revolutionaries and Islamic jihadis - to form a highly toxic threat. Unbeknownst to Moscow, a small band of British spies had been secretly smuggled into Russia in the aftermath of the 1917 revolution. They were an unlikely group of men: self taught and highly educated. Their boss was endearingly eccentric. Mansfield Cumming was a monocled, one-legged sea captain with a passion for secret inks and homemade explosives. Over the course of the next three years, his spies would be involved in murder, deception and duplicity on a grand scale. Russian Roulette draws on little known records from India Political Intelligence that have only recently been released into the public domain, including rare duplicated copies of reports from MI6's closed archives.</p>
<p>Catastrophe: Europe Goes to War 1914</p>	<p>Max Hastings</p>	<p>Tp \$32.99 \$29.70</p> 	<p>A magisterial chronicle of the calamity that crippled Europe in 1914. 1914: a year of unparalleled change. The year that diplomacy failed, Imperial Europe was thrown into its first modernised warfare and white-gloved soldiers rode in their masses across pastoral landscapes into the blaze of machine-guns. What followed were the costliest days of the entire War. But how had it happened? In Catastrophe: 1914 Max Hastings, best-selling author of the acclaimed All Hell Let Loose, answers at last how World War I could ever have begun. Ranging across Europe, from Paris to St. Petersburg, from Kings to corporals, Catastrophe 1914 traces how tensions across the continent kindled into a blaze of battles; not the stalemates of later trench-warfare but battles of movement and dash where Napoleonic tactics met with weapons from a newly industrialised age. A searing analysis of the power-brokering, vanity and bluff in the diplomatic maelstrom reveals who was responsible for the birth of this catastrophic world in arms.</p>
<p>Warsaw 1944: The Fateful Uprising</p>	<p>Alexandra Richie</p>	<p>Pb \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>The dramatic story of the Warsaw Uprising, one of the last major battles of World War II, in which the Poles fought off German troops and police, street by street, for sixty-three days. The Warsaw Uprising of 1944 was a shocking event in a hideous war. This is the first account to recall the tragedy from both German and Polish perspectives and asks why, when the war was nearly lost, Hitler and Himmler returned to Warsaw bent on murder, deportation, and destruction. For the only time in European history a capital was entirely razed. Hundreds were thrown from windows, burned alive, shot and trampled to death. 40,000 were murdered on 5th August - the largest battlefield massacre of the war. Using the vast archive of her combatant father-in-law Wladyslaw Bartoszewski, Alexandra Richie interweaves testimonies from all sides. Charting the crimes of the SS and then their final break-down of morale, 'Warsaw 1944' reveals how the Nazis had hoped that Allied divisions over Warsaw would lead to a Third World War, while Stalin's refusal to help changed the fate of post-war Europe.</p>
<p>Out of the Mountains: The Coming Age of the Urban Guerrilla</p>	<p>David Kilcullen</p>	<p>Tp \$32.95 \$29.65</p> 	<p>David Kilcullen takes us out of the mountains: away from the remote, rural guerrilla warfare of Afghanistan, and into the marginalised slums and complex security threats of the world's coastal cities, where almost 75 per cent of us will be living by mid-century. Scrutinising major trends - population growth, coastal urbanisation, and increasing digital connectivity - he projects a future of feral cities, urban systems under stress, as well as greater overlaps between crime and war, internal and external threats, and the real and virtual worlds. Informed by Kilcullen's own fieldwork in the Caribbean, Somalia, Afghanistan, and India, and that of his field-research team in cities in Central America and Africa, Out of the Mountains presents detailed, on-the-ground accounts of the new faces of modern conflict - from the 2008 Mumbai terrorist attacks, to transnational drug networks, local street gangs, and the uprisings of the Arab Spring. Deeply researched and compellingly argued, it is an invaluable roadmap to the future and its potential dangers.</p>
<p>SCIENCE</p>			
<p>Astronomy 2014 Australia: Your Guide to the Night Sky</p>	<p>Ken Wallace, et al</p>	<p>Pb \$27.95 \$25.15</p> 	<p>This annual gem (produced each year since 1991) continues to take the Australian stargazer on a wondrous journey of the night sky. This critically acclaimed work, produced by three well known experts in the field, takes a unique approach to explaining and identifying the Sun, Moon, planets and constellations.</p>

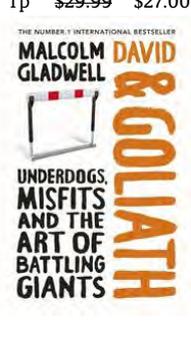
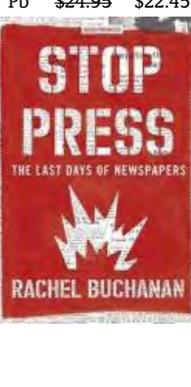
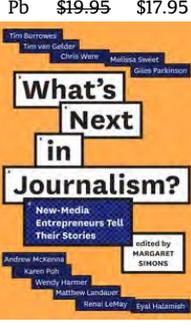
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<p>The Explainer: From Deja Vu to Why the Sky is Blue, and Other Conundrums</p>	<p>CSIRO Publishing</p>	<p>Pb \$19.95 \$17.95</p> 	<p>Ever wondered how vaccines work, why whales strand themselves or if luck exists? The Explainer: From Deja Vu to Why the Sky Is Blue, and Other Conundrums is a collection of the best of The Conversation's 'The Explainer' and 'Monday's Medical Myths' articles. The book answers questions on everyone's mind about a diverse range of topics, abstract concepts, and popular and hard core science. Sections include: animals and agriculture, body, climate and energy, medical myths, mind and brain, research and technology, and more. Expert authors combine facts, analysis, new ideas and enthusiasm to make often challenging topics highly readable. This book is for the curious, those with a thirst for answers, and those with a fascination of how phenomena, new technologies and current issues in our daily lives work.</p>
<p>50 Shades of Grey Matter</p>	<p>Karl Kruszelnicki</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>Welcome to the wonderful world of Dr Karl: where oddities are embraced, facts reign supreme, curiosity is king and brightly coloured shirts are compulsory! In 50 Shades of Grey Matter, Australia's National Living Treasure Dr Karl Kruszelnicki applies his trademark straight-talkin'-no-high-falutin' scientific sense to a brand new range of Big Questions that you never knew you even wanted to ask, but now desperately need to know the answers to. Impress your friends (and potential dates) by being able to answer such questions as: Why is the sky is blue? Why is it dark at night? Why does lunacy erupt under a full moon? What's the truth about spinach and Popeye? In this ever-changing, fast-paced and sometimes crazy world, few things are certain. But what is certain is that Dr Karl is here to help us battle our way through half-baked scientific myths and rumours, so that we may emerge smarter, stronger and viewing the world with more wonder than ever before.</p>
<p>Flocks of Colour</p>	<p>Penny Olsen</p>	<p>Pb \$39.99 \$36.00</p> 	<p>What name could be a more apt description of Australia than 'The Land of Parrots', a name inspired by late sixteenth-century maps showing a southern region labelled 'Psittacorum regio'? This beautiful book takes a close look at parrots in Australia, from the first published illustration of an Australian parrot - a Rainbow Lorikeet collected live on Cook's 1770 voyage - to William T. Cooper's twentieth-century watercolour of the elusive Night Parrot. With introductory essays by ornithologist Penny Olsen, Flocks of Colour covers two and a quarter centuries of discovery and illustration of Australia's avifauna. It features a rich portfolio of images of all the Australian parrots, by various artists including John Gould, Edward Lear, Neville W. Cayley and William T. Cooper, selected from the collections of the National Library of Australia, The foreword is by Joseph Forshaw, a world expert on the parrot family.</p>
<p>The Allure of Orchids</p>	<p>Mark Clements</p>	<p>Pb \$34.99 \$31.50</p> 	<p>For many lovers of flowers, orchids have a particular allure. Popular among gardeners, florists and nature lovers, orchids come in a huge array of shapes, sizes, and colours, and have some of the most intriguing names of any flower species - Flying Duck, Beard, Fire and Boat-lip Orchids or, Doubletails, Fairy Bells, Parson's Bands and Greenhoods. Some spend their whole lives underground while others grow high in trees. And they are the tricksters of the flower world, many mimicking the forms and smells of female insects and spiders to sexually deceive their male counterparts into pollinating the flower. The Allure of Orchids features an essay by orchid expert Mark Clements, accompanied by a portfolio of illustrations, both historical and modern, of this alluring species. In it you will find works by around 25 artists, including the extraordinarily detailed lithographs of early botanical illustrator Ferdinand Bower, Ellis Rowan's beautiful paintings, the delicate watercolours of Margaret Cochrane Scott, and many more.</p>
<p>Cat Sense: The Feline Enigma Revealed</p>	<p>John Bradshaw</p>	<p>Hb \$39.99 \$36.00</p> 	<p>Worshipped as gods, feared as demonic servants, seen as both wild opportunists and beloved companions, cats often seem as unfathomable, enigmatic and magical to us today as they did in ancient times. They have lived with humans for at least ten thousand years (far earlier than the reign of the Pharaohs), and today are the most popular pet in the world. That they now outnumber the dog, man's 'best friend', by three to one, is small wonder: at once affectionate and self-reliant, they seem to be perfectly suited to our busy 21st Century lifestyles. Yet cats still think like the wild scavengers and hunters from which they are descended - and to which they can quickly revert. Cats need not so much our sympathy, but our understanding, if they are to continue to enjoy our companionship. The recent surge in feline science - with John Bradshaw at the forefront - means we are now better equipped to understand them than ever before.</p>

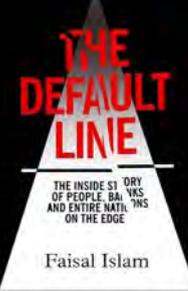
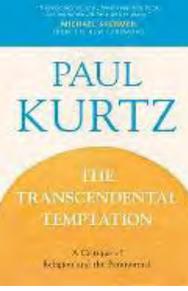
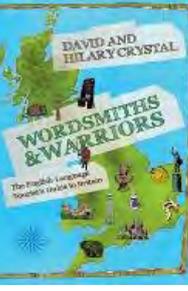
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<p>Animal Wisdom</p>	<p>Michael Archinal</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>Michael Archinal is not just a well-known Australian vet. He is a passionate animal lover and devoted owner of pets. He travels Australia and the world looking at how we interact with animals and what we can learn from observing animal behaviour. His conclusion is this: animals can teach us how to become better at being human in all sort of ways. Animals know when to rest, how to eat right, how to socialise, and how to organise a hierarchy. They know how to be in the moment, love the one you're with, and bond unconditionally with the pack. Michael draws on a large body of research that proves animals enrich our lives in every possible way, then interweaves the science with delightful stories from his decades of veterinarian practice. There are chapters on animals teaching us by example to become better at: dealing with stress, loving more, using our instincts, working smarter, helping children exercise, and eating well.</p>
<p>The Compatibility Gene</p>	<p>Daniel M Davis</p>	<p>Hb \$39.99 \$36.00</p> 	<p>From the British scientific pioneers who, during the Second World War, struggled to understand the mysteries of transplants and grafts, to the Swiss zoologist who devised an entirely new method of assessing potential couples' compatibility based on the smell of worn T-shirts, Davis traces what is nothing less than a scientific revolution in our understanding of the human body: a global adventure spanning some sixty years. Davis shows how the compatibility gene is radically transforming our knowledge of the way our bodies work - and is having profound consequences for medical research and ethics. Looking to the future, he considers the startling possibilities of what these wondrous discoveries might mean for you and me. There aren't many stories of scientific endeavour that have never been told. This is one of them. Ostensibly about a set of genes that we all have and need, this book is really about the men and women who discovered them and worked out what they do.</p>
<p>TODAY'S WORLD</p>			
<p>Afterliff: The New Dictionary of Things There Should Be Words For</p>	<p>John Lloyd & Jon Canter</p>	<p>Hb \$22.99 \$20.70</p> 	<p>Agharoo - A larger-than-life sneeze in a Bollywood comedy, used as the basis for a dance routine. Toames pl - The first furtive touching of toes in bed after a severe row with your partner. Ruswarp - To deliberately write a word unclearly when you don't know how to spell it. Loudwater - A child's strongly held opinion, copied word for word from its parents. Inverness - The loneliness of garden chairs in winter. For more than a decade John Lloyd and Jon Canter have been collecting together these definitions, written by them and many other friends of Douglas Adams, who co-write the original bestseller The Meaning of Liff back in 1983. Each definition is based on a place name. Always funny, often profound, and entirely unique, this is the essential book for anyone who faces the minor challenges of everyday life, and has been at a loss for words for how to express them.</p>
<p>Kittens for When Sh*t Happens</p>	<p>Trevor Davies</p>	<p>Pb \$14.99 \$13.50</p> 	<p>When things are driving you crazy or life is getting you down, sometimes only a cute kitten can make you feel better. The photos in Kittens For When Sh*t Happens illustrate the 'kitty version' of all our human problems, with hilarious results: the pithy captions will soon have you giggling your worries away. Whether it's a bad hair day or the break-up blues, there is a kitten in this book that is guaranteed to put the smile back on your face.</p>
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<p>Pardon Me for Mentioning... Unpublished Letters to The Age and The Sydney Morning Herald</p>	<p>Alex Kaplan, et al</p>	<p>Pb \$24.99 \$22.50</p> 	<p>Writers of letters to The Age and The Sydney Morning Herald are poets, dreamers and provocateurs. The overwhelming majority is in search of a better world, even if some disguise their aspiration in a sheath that is crackling dry. They are possessed of good sense and a wicked sense of humour. No topic is off limits. Yet hundreds of offerings bite the dust every day. Some are too late. Too vulgar. Too confessional. Some writers are victims of their own success and are at risk of overexposure. Others don't meet the Herald's stringent verification rules. Others are delightfully (but unprintably) kooky. All are kept. From Tony Abbott's dress-ups to Julia Gillard's karate chop, Judith Lucy's sex life and the perils of proposing to your pet, the vault is opened and our writers' wit, insight and imagination are unleashed.</p>

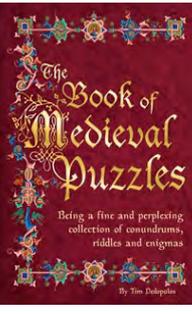
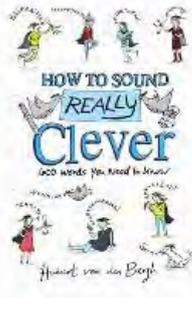
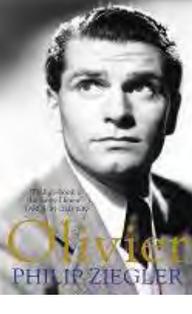
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<p>David and Goliath: Underdogs, Misfits and Rules for Facing Giants</p>	<p>Malcolm Gladwell</p>	<p>Tp \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>Why do underdogs succeed so much more than they should? How do the weak outsmart the strong? In David and Goliath Malcolm Gladwell takes us on a scintillating and surprising journey to uncover the hidden dynamics that shape the balance of power between the small and the mighty. From the conflicts in Northern Ireland and Vietnam, through the tactics of civil rights leaders and the problem of privilege, Gladwell demonstrates how terribly we misunderstand the true meaning of advantage and disadvantage. When is a traumatic childhood a good thing? How can a disability leave someone better off? And do you really want your child to go to the best school he or she can get into? Drawing on the stories of remarkable underdogs, history, science, psychology and his unparalleled ability to make the connections other miss, David and Goliath is a brilliant, illuminating book that overturns conventional thinking, and brings home the incredible leverage of the unexpected.</p>
<p>The Antidote: Happiness for People Who Can't Stand Positive Thinking</p>	<p>Oliver Burkeman</p>	<p>Pb \$23.99 \$21.60</p> 	<p>The Antidote: Happiness for People Who Can't Stand Positive Thinking is an exploration of a radically new path to happiness. In an approach that turns decades of self-help advice on its head, Oliver Burkeman explains why positive thinking serves only to make us more miserable, and why 'getting motivated' can exacerbate procrastination. Comparing the personal philosophies of dozens of 'happy' people - among them philosophers and experimental psychologists, Buddhists and terrorism experts, New Age dreamers and hard-headed business consultants - Burkeman uncovers some common ground. They all believe that there is an alternative 'negative path' to happiness and success that involves coming face-to-face with, even embracing, precisely the things we spend our lives trying to avoid. Burkeman concedes that in our personal lives and the world at large, it's our constant efforts to eliminate the negative - uncertainty, unhappiness, failure - that cause us to feel so anxious, insecure and unhappy.</p>
<p>Stop Press: The Last Days of Newspapers</p>	<p>Rachel Buchanan</p>	<p>Pb \$24.95 \$22.45</p> 	<p>Traditionally known to break the biggest headlines, to chase the rumours to their source, and to undertake the most in-depth reporting, newspapers are now grappling with the most formidable challenges since the advent of print. Reporter Rachel Buchanan started work at The Age in 1993, as a subeditor. In 2012, after a decade out of the newsroom, she returned to subediting, but in a markedly different environment: along with a host of other jobs in newspaper production, the role had been outsourced. The title of subeditor no longer exists at the paper. In this insightful, passionate book, Buchanan chronicles her experiences, providing a unique insider's perspective on the rise and slow decline of the printed newspaper. She exposes the brutal cost-cutting measures of companies intent on squeezing every drop of profit from print before they turn to digital, and examines the consequences for those affected - for it is not only the journalists and editors who are losing their jobs, but also printers, paper-makers, and distributors whose livelihood is disappearing.</p>
<p>What's Next in Journalism? New-Media Entrepreneurs Tell Their Stories</p>	<p>Margaret Simons (ed.)</p>	<p>Pb \$19.95 \$17.95</p> 	<p>For the first time in human history, most people in developed countries are able to publish their news and thoughts to the world within a few minutes of deciding to do so. Meanwhile, the big industrial-scale media organisations are in decline, and at the same time there is a new blog, website, or social-media presence almost every hour. This book takes the temperature of this emerging sector of news media, with a collection of contributions by new-media entrepreneurs from a variety of backgrounds - journalism, IT innovation, social activism, and community work. They talk about hard work, connecting with their audiences, and what just might be a new kind of news ecosystem in which everyone gets to play.</p>
<p>Best Times Ever: Why Almost Everything is Better Than it Used To Be</p>	<p>Mark Juddery</p>	<p>Pb \$24.95 \$22.45</p> 	<p>With conflicts around the globe, rampant environmental damage, economic struggles, poverty and the ongoing threat of terrorism, the world isn't perfect right now. But is everything really going to hell in a hand basket? Should we really be feeling so miserable? Best Times Ever briefly assesses 100 of our favourite things to complain about, and explains why, believe it or not, things aren't as bad as they used to be. In fact, we're actually improving! From the serious (the number of people dying in wars is 2,000 a year; in the 1950s, it was 65,000 a year) to the frivolous (Vertigo had bad reviews in 1957, was considered a cinema classic by 1987, and was recently voted the greatest movie ever made - so even movies get better), this is an optimistic answer to those who say that everything is getting worse. There is room for improvement, but we're heading in the right direction! Humorous, light reading, but peppered with useful information and trivia and an all round uplifting message.</p>

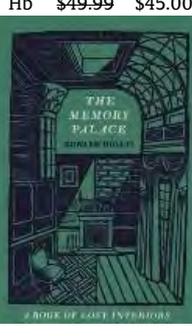
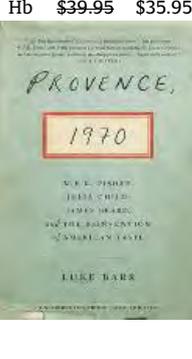
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<p>In Praise of Ageing</p>	<p>Patricia Edgar</p>	<p>Tp \$32.99 \$29.70</p> 	<p>Retirement is not the time to cut all ties and head off to live in a warm climate but rather to ask: Who do I want to be near? How will my relationships be reaffirmed? What do I care about? What can I create and contribute to the world? Meet Jim Brierley, who was still jumping out of planes aged eighty-eight. And Muriel Crabtree, whose exhibition of pastels was opened by the governor-general shortly after Crabtree died aged 102. Australians are staying healthy and living longer than ever before. Yet rather than focusing on the productive, rich, varied lives older people lead we dwell on the burden of ageing. In Praise of Ageing tells the stories of eight people who have lived well into their nineties and beyond. These people will inspire you, entertain you and motivate you to be connected, interested, risk-taking and inventive. They will challenge your preconceptions. And they will convince you that fifty is now the start of the second half of life and not the beginning of the end.</p>
<p>The Default Line: The Inside Story of People, Banks and Entire Nations on the Edge</p>	<p>Faisal Islam</p>	<p>Tp \$32.99 \$29.70</p> 	<p>Why did Greece have to use military aeroplanes to fly in Euros at the height of its debt crisis? How can a banking system become so unregulated that it offers a gold credit card to a dog? For Channel 4's Economics Editor Faisal Islam, these are examples of nations, institutions, and individuals crossing the 'default line', the point at which the optimism of economic boom flips into fiscal madness. Having exposed the Icelandic banking crisis, watched Lehman Bros crash, investigated emerging economies in India and China and interviewed a host of key international players from the Governor of the Bank of England to the head of the the Chinese sovereign wealth fund, Faisal Islam is the perfect guide to the global economic crisis.</p>
<p>The Transcendental Temptation: A Critique of Religion and the Paranormal</p>	<p>Paul Kurtz</p>	<p>Tp \$32.95 \$29.65</p> 	<p>A landmark work. Mandatory reading for anyone who wants to learn to be a good skeptic. In this widely acclaimed and highly controversial book, Paul Kurtz examines the reasons why people accept supernatural and paranormal belief systems in spite of substantial evidence to the contrary. According to the author, it is because there is within the human species a deeply rooted tendency toward magical thinking - the transcendental temptation - which undermines critical judgment and paves the way for willful beliefs. He explores in detail the three major monotheistic religions - Judaism, Christianity, and Islam - finding striking psychological and sociological parallels between these religions, the spiritualism of the 19th century, and the paranormal belief systems of today. There are sections on mysticism, belief in the afterlife, the existence of God, reincarnation, astrology, and ufology.</p>
<p>The Kraus Project</p>	<p>Jonathan Franzen</p>	<p>Pb \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>A great American writer's confrontation with a great European critic - a personal and intellectual awakening. A hundred years ago, the Viennese satirist Karl Kraus was among the most penetrating and prophetic writers in Europe: a relentless critic of the popular media's manipulation of reality, the dehumanizing machinery of technology and consumerism, and the jingoistic rhetoric of a fading empire. But even though his followers included Franz Kafka and Walter Benjamin, he remained something of a lonely prophet, and few people today are familiar with his work. Thankfully, Jonathan Franzen is one of them. In 'The Kraus Project', Franzen not only presents and annotates his definitive new translations of Kraus, with supplementary notes from the Kraus scholar Paul Reitter and the Austrian writer Daniel Kehlmann. In Franzen Kraus has found his match: a novelist unafraid to voice unpopular opinions strongly, a critic capable of untangling Kraus's often dense arguments.</p>
<p>Wordsmiths and Warriors: The English-Language Tourist's Guide to Britain</p>	<p>David Crystal & Hilary Crystal</p>	<p>Hb \$38.95 \$35.05</p> 	<p>David and Hilary Crystal drove thousands of miles to produce this fascinating combination of English-language history and travelogue, from locations in south-east Kent to the Scottish lowlands, and from south-west Wales to the East Anglian coast. David provides the descriptions and linguistic associations, Hilary the full-colour photographs. They include a guide for anyone wanting to follow in their footsteps but arrange the book to reflect the chronology of the language. This starts with the Anglo-Saxon arrivals in Kent and in the places that show the earliest evidence of English. It ends in London with the latest apps for grammar. In between are intimate encounters with the places associated with such writers as Chaucer, Shakespeare, and Wordsworth; the biblical Wycliffe and Tyndale; the dictionary compilers Cawdrey, Johnson, and Murray; dialect writers, elocutionists, and grammarians, and a host of other personalities.</p>

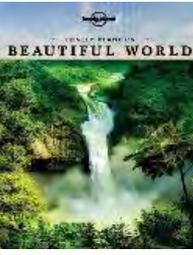
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<p>What is English? And Why Should We Care?</p>	<p>Tim Machan</p>	<p>Hb \$38.95 \$35.05</p> 	<p>Tim Machan explores the English language's present and past, and looks ahead to its futures among the one and a half billion people who speak it. His search is fascinating and important, for definitions of English have influenced education and law in many countries and helped shape the identities of those who live in them. Finding an account that fits the constantly changing varieties of English is, Tim Machan finds, anything but simple. But he rises to the challenge, grappling with its elusive essence through episodes in its history. He looks at the ambitions of Caxton, the preoccupations of Johnson, and the eloquence of Churchill, tussles with the jargons of contemporary business, and pursues his object from rural America to James Cook's Australia. He examines creoles, pidgins, and dialects, and takes apart competing histories showing their assumptions and prejudices. Finally he reveals the stable category English, resting paradoxically within its constantly mutating forms and varieties.</p>
<p>The Book of Medieval Puzzles</p>	<p>Tim Dedopulos</p>	<p>Hb \$24.99 \$22.50</p> 	<p>A fabulous range of puzzles, riddles, enigmas and conundrums that will transport you back to the time of knights, castles and sprawling empires. Challenge your perception and logic to a mental joust in a narrative that spans continents and centuries from the glory of Byzantium to the horror of the Black Death, from the Golden Age of Islam to the Viking invasions. Each puzzle is beautifully constructed with authentic medieval imagery.</p>
<p>How to Sound Really Clever</p>	<p>Hubert Van Den Bergh</p>	<p>Pb \$19.99 \$18.00</p> 	<p>How to Sound Really Clever explains and illustrates over 600 words that can outfox us, such as 'condign', 'Zelig-like' and 'agitprop'. This is the sequel to the successful How to Sound Clever (2010) which taught you 600 words you really ought to know but haven't had the time to look up in the dictionary. Each entry features an etymological description as well as useful example phrases so that readers can quickly see the correct context for each word. Anecdotes and witty illustrations appear throughout to make this an entertaining book that will help readers to boost their vocabulary.</p>
<p>As Luck Would Have It</p>	<p>Derek Jacobi</p>	<p>Hb \$29.99 \$27.00</p> 	<p>The world of theatre could not have been further from Derek's childhood: an only child, born in Leytonstone, London. With his father a department store manager and his mother a secretary, his was very much a working class background. But nonetheless Derek always knew he was going to be an actor, and he remembers clearly the first time he was in costume - draping himself in his mother's glorious wedding veil as he paraded up and down the Essex Road with his friends. A few short years later, at the age of seven, Derek made his acting debut, playing both lead roles in a local library production of The Prince and the Swineherd. By the age of 18 Derek was playing Hamlet (his most famed role) at the Edinburgh festival. This book is, however, much more than a career record. Funny, warm and honest, Jacobi brings us his insider's view on the world of acting. From a simple childhood in the East End to the height of fame on stage and screen, Derek recalls his journey in full: from the beginnings of his childhood dreams to the legendary productions, the renowned stars and the intimate off-stage moments.</p>
<p>Olivier</p>	<p>Philip Ziegler</p>	<p>Tp \$32.99 \$29.70</p> 	<p>Hollywood superstar; Oscar-winning director; greatest stage actor of the twentieth century. By the 1940s he had achieved international stardom. His affair with Vivien Leigh led to a marriage as glamorous and as tragic as any in Hollywood history. He was as accomplished a director as he was a leading man: his three Shakespearian adaptations are among the most memorable ever filmed. And yet, at the height of his fame, he accepted no more than an administrator's wage to become the founding Director of the National Theatre. In 2013 the theatre celebrates its fiftieth anniversary; without Olivier's leadership it would never have achieved the status that it enjoys today. Off-stage, Olivier was the most extravagant of characters: generous, yet almost insanely jealous of those few contemporaries whom he deemed to be his rivals; charming but with a ferocious temper. With access to more than fifty hours of candid, unpublished interviews, Philip Ziegler ensures that Olivier's true character - at its most undisguised - shines through as never before.</p>

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Art as Therapy	Alain De Botton & John Armstrong	Hb \$45.00 \$40.50 	In this book Alain de Botton and John Armstrong propose a new way of looking at art, suggesting that it can be useful, relevant and above all else, therapeutic for its audiences. The authors begin by laying out a method for looking at art therapeutically, then demonstrate it in action on key themes of existence, like Love, Nature, Money and Politics. Unexpected lessons lie in each one: Johannes Vermeer's Girl Reading a Letter helps us to focus on what we want to be loved for; Richard Serra's Fernando Passoa reminds us of the importance of dignity in suffering; the colonnades of the monastery at Le Thoronet hold a promise of a serenity that too often escapes us; and Edouard Manet's Bunch of Asparagus teaches us how to preserve and value our long-term partners. Passionate, thought provoking, often funny and always accessible, this book reframes art as a therapeutic medium that can guide, console and exhort us, and along the way, help us to understand both art and ourselves better.
The Memory Palace: A Book of Lost Interiors	Edward Hollis	Hb \$49.99 \$45.00 	The rooms we live in are always more than just four walls. As we decorate these spaces and fill them with objects and friends, they shape our lives and become the backdrop to our sense of self. One day, the houses will be gone, but even then, traces of the stories and the memories they contained will remain. In this dazzling work of imaginative re-construction, Edward Hollis takes us to the sites of five great spaces now lost to history and pieces together the fragments he finds there to re-create their vanished chambers. From Rome's Palatine to the old Palace of Westminster and the Petit Trianon at Versailles, and from the sets of the MGM studios in Hollywood to the pavilions of the Crystal Palace and his own grandmother's sitting room, The Memory Palace is a glittering treasure trove of luminous forgotten places and the people who, for a short time, made them their home.
Provence, 1970: M F K Fisher, Julia Child, James Beard, and the Reinvention of American Taste	Luke Barr	Hb \$39.95 \$35.95 	M.F.K. Fisher guides our story in this group biography of a time and place when a circle of food icons (the Bloomsbury set of the food world) gathered, and amid friendships, rivalries, and much debate-the American food movement as we know it was born. In Provence, 1970, Luke Barr, grandnephew of legendary writer M.F.K. Fisher, combines reportage and never-before-revealed material from journals and letters to re-create this pivotal moment in culinary history, when Fisher, Julia Child, Judith Jones, James Beard, and Richard Olney collaborated and clashed over the future of food. Would American cookery build on the traditions of classic French cuisine, or would it strive to pioneer new, fresh flavors? Would popular personalities such as Child and Beard prove more influential than rising chefs and critics such as Olney? Fisher chronicled their meals and debates, a food history version of A Moveable Feast, as the major figures in the culinary world convened in Provence for a series of dinners and gossip sessions.
Best 100 Birdwatching Sites in Australia	Sue Taylor	Pb \$39.99 \$36.00 	Where can you see 400,000 breeding pairs of rockhopper penguins? Where is the best place in Australia to observe Yellow Chats? And where is the only place in Australia you can have a close encounter with nesting Lesser Noddies? Well-known birder and author of How Many Birds Is That?, Why Watch Birds? and John Gould's Extinct and Endangered Birds of Australia, Sue Taylor will make you want to pack your binoculars and hit the road, as she takes you on a tour of her top 100 Australian birdwatching sites: from suburban parks to remote off-shore islands.
Lonely Planet's Best in Travel 2014	Lonely Planet	Pb \$24.99 \$22.50 	It's the Best of the Best. The best places to go and things to do all around the world right now! Drawing in the knowledge, passion and miles travelled by Lonely Planet's staff, authors and online community, we present a year's worth of travel inspiration to take you out of the ordinary and into some unforgettable experiences. Highlights Lonely Planet ranks the top 10 countries, regions and cities to visit in 2014. The best travel experiences for the year ahead, from cheering your team at the FIFA World Cup in Brazil to strolling the boulevards of Paris. More than 35 events mapped out month by month in the 2014 travel planner.

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<p>The Broken Road: From the Iron Gates to Mount Athos</p>	<p>Patrick Leigh Fermor</p>	<p>Hb \$49.99 \$45.00</p> 	<p>The long-awaited final volume of the trilogy by Patrick Leigh Fermor A Time of Gifts and Between the Woods and the Water were the first two volumes in a projected trilogy that would describe the walk that Patrick Leigh Fermor undertook at the age of eighteen from the Hook of Holland to Constantinople. 'When are you going to finish Vol. III?' was the cry from his fans; but although he wished he could, the words refused to come. The curious thing was that he had not only written an early draft of the last part of the walk, but that it predated the other two. It remains unfinished but The Broken Road - edited and introduced by Colin Thubron and Artemis Cooper - completes an extraordinary journey.</p>
<p>Running with the Blood God: Down and Dirty with Freedom Fighters, Rebels and Misfits</p>	<p>Matthew Thompson</p>	<p>Tp \$32.99 \$29.70</p> 	<p>What are the limits on how a modern life can be led? And what happens to those who defy them? Troubled that life's vastness is shrinking as our crowded, stale civilisation overruns wilderness of every kind, professional trouble-seeker Matthew Thompson roams the world chasing those who will live freely whatever the cost. Thompson hunts his free-spirits through a gut-wrenching crackdown in totalitarian Iran, amid rebellion and wretchedness in the Philippines and into the historical rubble of Serbia and Kosovo, before landing in America's counter-cultural nirvana, Portland, Oregon. Running with the Blood God is a hell-raising ride which leaves Matthew Thompson's My Colombian Death shaking in its wake. In this incredible work of reportage with the pulse of a thriller, Thompson walks the line where the liberty of the individual is often a matter of life or death.</p>
<p>Lonely Planet's Beautiful World: Sublime Photography of the World's Most Magnificent Spectacles</p>	<p>Lonely Planet</p>	<p>Hb \$54.99 \$49.50</p> 	<p>40 years of passion and experience has been poured into Lonely Planet's Beautiful World. We witness fiery volcanic eruptions; wind-sculpted icebergs in the Antarctic; mind-blowing migrations of wildlife large and small; natural wonders from Belize's Great Blue Hole to Yellowstone in Wyoming; also the imprint that humanity has made on the planet.</p>