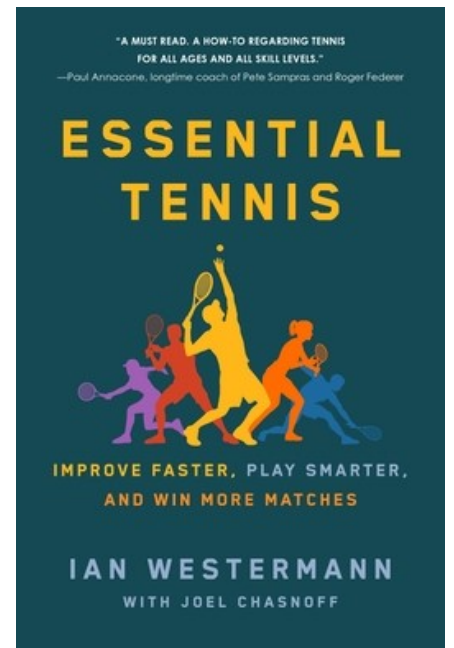
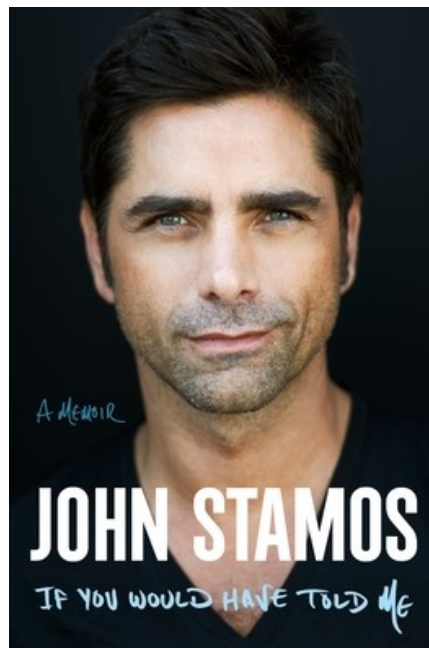


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What's New

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A bone to pick / *Gephardt, Jan S.*

XK9 Rex was bio-engineered and cyber-enhanced to be the most perfect law enforcement canine ever created. Transmondian spymaster Col. Wisniewski thought he could turn him into the most perfect weapon. But Rex had other plans. Wisniewski couldn't bend him to his will. The Colonel would have killed any other dog, but Rex was too valuable. Instead, Rana Station paid a literal fortune to add him and his XK9 Pack to the Orangeboro Police Department. Now Rex and his Pack are working detectives on the trail of a criminal gang that blows up spaceships.

After the forest / *Woods, Kel*

1650: The Black Forest, Wurttemberg. Fifteen years after the witch in the gingerbread house, Greta and Hans are struggling to get by. Their father and stepmother are long dead, Hans is deeply in debt from gambling, and the countryside lies in ruin, its people recovering in the aftermath of a brutal war. Greta has a secret, though: the witch's grimoire, secreted away and whispering in her ear, and the recipe inside that makes the most sinfully delicious - and addictive - gingerbread. As long as she can bake, Greta can keep her small family afloat.

All your perfects / *Hoover, Colleen*

Quinn and Graham's perfect love is threatened by their imperfect marriage. The memories, mistakes, and secrets that they have built up over the years are now tearing them apart. The one thing that could save them might also be the very thing that pushes their marriage beyond the point of repair. *All Your Perfects* is a novel about a damaged couple whose potential future hinges on promises made in the past. Can a resounding love with a perfect beginning survive a lifetime between two imperfect people?

Are you happy now / *Jameson, Hanna*

It all began at a wedding. A smile across the room. A moment of lust. A separation long overdue. Then a woman sat down and never stood up again. Suddenly hundreds, then thousands of people are sitting down. Is it a sickness, or are they simply giving up? In the search for love, or happiness, or anything at all, is living a choice? Or is it just something that happens to us?

The door-to-door bookstore / *Henn, Carsten*

Small-town German bookseller Carl Kollhoff delivers his books to special customers in the evening hours after closing time, walking through the picturesque alleys of the city. These people are almost like friends to him, and he is their most important connection to the world. When Kollhoff unexpectedly loses his job, it takes the power of books and a nine-year-old girl to make them all find the courage to rebuild their bonds with each other.

Assistant to the villain / *Maehrer, Hannah Nicole*

ASSISTANT WANTED: Notorious, high-ranking villain seeks loyal, level-headed assistant for unspecified office duties, supporting staff for random mayhem, terror, and other Dark Things in General. Discretion a must. Excellent benefits. With her ailing father and younger sister to support, Evie Sage's employment status isn't just important, it's vital. So when a mishap with Rennewald's most infamous Villain results in a job offer - naturally, she says yes. No job is perfect, of course, but even less so when you develop a teeny crush on your terrifying, temperamental, and undeniably hot boss.

The birdcage library / *Berry, Freya*

Emily Blackwood, adventuress and plant hunter, travels north for a curious new commission. A gentleman has written to request she catalogue his vast collection of taxidermied creatures before sale. On arrival, Emily finds a ruined castle, its owner haunted by a woman who vanished years before. And when she discovers the ripped pages of a diary, crammed into the walls, she realises dark secrets lie here, waiting to entrap her too...

Body of truth / *Cassidy, Marie*

Dr Terry O'Brien has recently arrived in Ireland from Scotland to take up a position as State Pathologist when a high-profile murder occurs. The victim is Rachel Reece, host of a popular true crime podcast on unsolved murders of Irish women and niece of a prominent politician. As Terry gathers evidence to help with the police investigation, she becomes convinced that they are following the wrong line of inquiry and begins her own research. She soon finds herself in the thick of cold cases of murdered Irish women, with questions mounting

Bookshops & bonedust / *Baldree, Travis,*

Viv's career with the renowned mercenary company Rackam's Ravens isn't going as planned. Wounded during the hunt for a powerful necromancer, she's packed off against her will to recuperate in the sleepy beach town of Murk - so far from the action that she worries she'll never be able to return to it. What's a thwarted soldier of fortune to do? Spending her hours at a struggling bookshop in the company of its foul-mouthed proprietor is the last thing Viv would have predicted. Even though it may be exactly what she needs. Still, adventure isn't far away.

The breakaway / *Weiner, Jennifer*

Thirty-four-year-old Abby Stern has made it to a happy place, with good friends, her bike, and her bike club in Philadelphia. She's at peace with her plus-size body - at least, most of the time - and she's on track to marry her childhood sweetheart. Abby and Mark met at the weight-loss camp Abby's perpetually-dieting mother, Eileen, forced her daughter to attend. Fifteen years later, when Abby reconnects with a half-his-size Mark, and finds out that he still adores her, it feels like fate. two years ago.

Burn / *Saward, Melanie*

A poignant and powerful novel about a fire-obsessed Indigenous boy living on the margins - from an electrifying new First Nations voice in Australian fiction, Melanie Saward. For fans of Craig Silvey's Jasper Jones, Tara June Winch, Tony Birch and Melissa Lukashenko.

The burning time / *Hanington, Peter*

Australian inventor and geoengineer Clive Winner is the genius who brought the Great Barrier Reef back from the brink, yet his ambition goes well beyond that. He wants to save the planet. For the all-powerful fossil fuel industry, Winner is their 'get out of jail free card'. If he can engineer a solution to climate change, business can continue as usual. When old-school journalist William Carver is tipped off by a trusted Whitehall source that climate scientists have begun to go missing in suspicious circumstances, his gut instinct tells him to follow the story.

Check & mate / *Hazelwood, Ali*

When eighteen-year-old Mallory begrudgingly agrees to return to chess in one last charity tournament, her surprise upset against Nolan Sawyer, the reigning world champ and bad boy of the chess world, sets her on a worldwind adventure as she rediscovers her passion for the game.

Command and control / *Cameron, Marc*

For a century, the Panama Canal has served as the path between the seas. Control of this vital waterway is the difference between free trade and chaos in world markets. So when Panamanian President Rafael Botero asks for a show of support against the socialist opposition, his old friend President Jack Ryan can't turn down an invitation to visit the country, but what seems like an ordinary opportunity to preach the values of democracy quickly turns into a nightmare when a full-blown coup d'état erupts. President Ryan and his Secret Service team are cut off and out of communication.

The countess / *Jordan, Sophie*

"My husband is a good man... just ask all the women he has bedded." Wealthy society maven Lady Gertrude knows how the world works. If her husband is less than faithful, it's an acceptable price to pay for her coveted position at the apex of London's most fashionable set. No exclusive soiree or lavish ball is complete without her and her group of decadent, well-connected friends. And this Season promises more excitement than usual: Tru is launching her daughter into Society, helping her navigate the cutthroat Marriage Mart, complete with fortune hunters, jealous debutantes, and malicious gossips.

The fallen / *Sutherland, Joh*

Becca Palmer has just lost her job as assistant to Simon Jones MP - the highly-regarded policing minister, tipped as a future prime minister. But Becca claims that Simon was more than her boss, that she is in love with him. When a heartbroken Becca leaves the Home Office, she heads to Westminster Bridge, intending to take her own life. Which is where hostage negotiator Alex Lewis meets her. It is his job to try to talk her back from the edge. In the negotiation that follows, Becca suggests that she may know something about the policing minister that she shouldn't.

Fallout / *Parks, Carrie Stuart*

Her carefully crafted life is about to be demolished. After a difficult childhood, Samantha Williams craves simplicity: jigsaw puzzles, lectures at the library, and the students she adores in her role as an elementary school art teacher in the dusty farming community of LaCrosse, Washington. But when an SUV crashes into the building where she teaches, her entire world is upended. Samantha manages to keep the children safe, but her car isn't so lucky. Oddly, her purse - with her driver's license, credit cards, and other identification - is missing from the wreckage.

The frozen river / *Lawhon, Ariel*

Maine, 1789: When a man is found entombed in the frozen Kennebec River, Martha Ballard is summoned to examine the body and determine cause of death. As the local midwife and healer, Martha is good at keeping secrets. Her diary is a record of every birth, death and debacle that unfolds in the town of Hallowell. In that diary she has also documented the details of an alleged rape committed by one of the town's most esteemed gentlemen - the same man who has now been found dead in the ice.

The girl from London / *Spooner, Olivia*

London, 1940. Ruth, a young schoolteacher, volunteers as an escort helping to evacuate children from war-torn England to Australia and New Zealand. Her three-month voyage is fraught - their passage is perilous, and the children anxious and homesick. Nine-year-old Fergus is more troubled than most and Ruth forms an unexpected bond with the boy. It's not just Fergus who captures Ruth's attention. Bobby, a fellow volunteer who initially infuriates Ruth with his laidback charm, somehow gets under her skin and throws her ordered life into chaos.

The hidden years / *Hore, Rachel*

Set on the beautiful Cornish coast during World War II and the heady days of the 1960s. When talented musician Gray Robinson persuades Belle to abandon her university studies and follow him to Silverwood, home to an artistic community on the Cornish coast, Belle happily agrees even though they've only just met. She knows she is falling in love, and the thought of spending a carefree summer with Gray is all she can think about. But being with Gray isn't the only reason Belle agrees to accompany him to Silverwood.

The Hurricane Blonde / *Sutton, Halley*

Salma Lowe is the progeny of Hollywood royalty and a former child-star turned guide of the Stars Six Feet Under tour bus. She knows better than anyone that a tragic death is the surest path to stardom: her own sister, Tawney, dubbed the 'Hurricane Blonde' for her off-camera antics, was murdered in the mid-'90s, and the case remains unsolved. Then a dead body is discovered on her tour, on the property where her sister once lived - she looks just like Tawney. When the police investigation goes nowhere, Salma's search for the truth will take her deep into the rot of Hollywood past and present - and into her family's own long-buried secrets.

Kill for me kill for you / *Cavanagh, Steve*

One dark evening in New York City, two strangers meet by chance. Over drinks, Amanda and Wendy realise they have so much in common. They both feel alone. They both drink alone. And they both desperately want revenge against the two men who destroyed their families. Together, they have the perfect plan. If you kill for me, I'll kill for you...

Legends & lattes / *Baldree, Travis,*

After decades of adventuring, Viv the orc barbarian is finally hanging up her sword for good. Now she sets her sights on a new dream - for she plans to open the first coffee shop in the city of Thune. Even though no one there knows what coffee actually is. If Viv wants to put the past behind her, she can't go it alone. And help might arrive from unexpected quarters - yet old rivals and new stand in the way of success. And Thune's shady underbelly could make it all too easy for Viv to take up the blade once more.

The lovers / *Kassab, Yumna*

What happens when we become used to each other, when we become bored, when we anticipate each other's moods like the seasons cycled in a day? What happens when you are tired of me and I tire of you? Every couple has a story. How they met, how they fell in love - their ups, their downs. What made them want to be in each other's arms day and night. The struggle of family expectations. The need to please each other, the desire to go their separate ways. It is about the private universe between two people as they try to hold to each other despite the barriers of geography, culture and class

The mantis / *Isaka, Kōtarō,*

Kabuto is a highly skilled assassin eager to escape his profession. To buy freedom from his contract, he agrees to a series of high-value hits on other professional assassins, but they put his family in danger.

Midnight at the Christmas bookshop / *Colgan, Jenny*

Carmen Hogan, the bookshop's manager, is amused and a bit horrified by the goings-on, but the money the studio is paying is too good to pass up. She uses the little windfall from filming to create new displays and fend off a buyout offer from an obnoxious millionaire who wants to turn McCredie's into a souvenir shop selling kilts made in China and plastic Nessies. Still reeling slightly from a breakup, Carmen's not particularly looking forward to the holidays. But just as snow begins to fall and the lights of Christmas blink on, all sorts of lovely new possibilities present themselves...

Minor disturbances at Grand Life Apartments / *Sukumar, Hema*

Grand Life Apartments is a middle-class apartment block surrounded by lush gardens in the coastal city of Chennai, India. It is the home of Kamala, a pious, soon-to-be retired dentist who spends her days counting down to the annual visits from her daughter who is studying in the UK. Her neighbour, Revathi, is a thirty-two-year-old engineer who is frequently reminded by her mother that she has reached her expiry date in the arranged marriage market. Jason, a British chef, has impulsively moved to India to escape his recent heartbreak in London.

The moon gate / *Geard, Amanda*

1939: On the eve of war, young English heiress Grace Grey travels from London to the wilderness of Tasmania. Coaxed out of her shell by the attentions of her Irish neighbour, Daniel - Grace finally learns to live. But when Australian forces are called to the frontline, and Daniel with them, he leaves behind a devastating secret which will forever bind them together. 1975: Artist Willow Hawkins, and her new husband, Ben, can't believe their luck when an anonymous benefactor leaves them a house on the remote Tasmanian coast

The new mother / *Murphy, Nora*

Natalie Fanning already loves her newborn son, Oliver, with everything she has. From the moment he was born she knew that she was meant to be his mother, even though she didn't want that to be all she was. When Oliver refuses to sleep, and her husband Tyler returns to work, Nat is left mostly alone in a new house, in a new neighbourhood, with the task of keeping her small son healthy and happy on her shoulders alone. No one else can breastfeed Oliver; no one else will protect him like she can; no one can help her.

Okay days / *Mustard, Jenny*

Sam is 28, Swedish, carefree and chaotic. Doing a work placement in London over the course of three sticky summer months, she falls hard for Lucas, a man she first met as a teenager. Lucas, 27, sensitive and calm, is trying to get a foothold in the adult world while struggling to hold the pieces of his life together. Sam is a gorgeous distraction, but you can only avoid reality for so long and both Sam and Lucas know their relationship can't last. Nobody can be this happy forever, surely?

One must tell the bees : Abraham Lincoln and the final education of Sherlock Holmes / *Matthews, Jeff*

When those harrowing words ring out during a children's entertainment in Washington on the evening of April 14, 1865, a quick-thinking young chemist from England named Johnnie Holmes grabs Tad Lincoln, the 12-year-old son of the dying President, races the boy to safety and soon finds himself enlisted in the most infamous manhunt in history. *One Must Tell the Bees* is the untold story of young Holmes's journey from the streets of London to the White House of Abraham Lincoln - and his breathtaking pursuit of John Wilkes Booth in the company of the freed slave named Abraham.

Ordinary gods and monsters / *Womersley, Chris*

It could have been any summer evening, but of course it wasn't. It was the end of some things, the beginning of so many others. Nick Wheatley has finished high school, but he isn't ready for the rest of his life. His parents are getting divorced, his sister is downright weird and his best friend and neighbour, Marion, seems to have acquired a boyfriend. One hot night, Marion's father is killed in a hit-and-run. There are no suspects and no leads.

The Paris notebook / *Harris, Tessa*

A secret big enough to destroy the Führer's reputation... January 1939: When Katja Heinz secures a job as a typist at Doctor Viktor's clinic, she doesn't expect to be copying top secret medical records from a notebook. At the end of the first world war, Doctor Viktor treated soldiers for psychological disorders. One of the patients was none other than Adolf Hitler... The notes in his possession declare Hitler unfit for office - a secret that could destroy the Führer's reputation, and change the course of the war if exposed..

The quantum solution / *Lustbader, Eric*

Evan Ryder is back - and in grave danger. Evan Ryder is an extraordinary intelligence field agent now working for the security arm of Parachute, a private company and the world's leader in the application of quantum technology. In the past, Ryder has done lethal battle in the modern global wars of power politics, extremist ideology, corrosive disinformation, and outrageous greed. But now she finds herself in a battle arena whose dangers, while less obvious, are greater than anything the world has seen before - the present and future war of weaponised quantum technology

Remarkably bright creatures : a novel / *Van Pelt, Shelby*

After Tova Sullivan's husband died, she began working the night shift at the Sowell Bay Aquarium, mopping floors and tidying up. Keeping busy has always helped her cope, which she's been doing since her eighteen-year-old son, Erik, mysteriously vanished on a boat in Puget Sound over thirty years ago. Tova becomes acquainted with curmudgeonly Marcellus, a giant Pacific octopus living at the aquarium. Marcellus knows more than anyone can imagine but wouldn't dream of lifting one of his eight arms for his human captors - until he forms a remarkable friendship with Tova

The resting place / *Sten, Camilla*

The medical term is prosopagnosia. The average person calls it face blindness—the inability to recognise a familiar person’s face, even the faces of those closest to you. When Eleanor walked in on the scene of her capriciously cruel grandmother, Vivianne’s, murder, she came face to face with the killer—a maddening expression that means nothing to someone like her. With each passing day, her anxiety mounts. The dark feelings of having brushed by a killer, yet not know who could do this—or if they’d be back—overtakes both her dreams and her waking moments, thwarting her perception of reality.

Return to Valetto / *Smith, Dominic*

A nearly abandoned Italian village, the family that stayed, and long-buried secrets from World War II. On a hilltop in Umbria sits Valetto. Once a thriving village - and a hub of resistance and refuge during World War II - centuries of earthquakes, landslides and the lure of a better life have left it neglected. Only ten residents remain, including the widows Serafino - three eccentric sisters and their steely centenarian mother - who live quietly in their medieval villa. Then their nephew and grandson, Hugh, a historian, returns.

Salt River Road / *Schmidt, Molly*

In the aftermath of their mother's death, the lives of the five Tetley siblings fall apart. Rose is abandoned by her beloved brother Frank, while their father, Eddie, is undone by his grief. When Noongar Elders Patsy and Herbert encounter Rose marching away from the mess, they take her home in a storm of red gravel dust that stirs up memories Eddie Tetley would rather forget. Rose finds herself welcomed into a home where she has the chance to discover the true power of belonging. With the help of Patsy and Herbert, she'll find a way to begin to heal not only her family's pain but wounds hidden for a generation.

The shallows / *Craig, Holly*

Her best friend is dead... Her daughter filmed the killing... Her husband knows more than he's revealing... Her secret isn't safe and neither is she.

Sleep When You're Dead / *O'Reilly, Jude*

A lethal ex-spy and a teenage hacker have thirty-six hours to stop a doomsday cult from ending the world. The new action-adventure thriller from Jude O'Reilly.

Something bad is going to happen / Stephens, Jessie

Adella is facing the dawn of a new year and the end of her 20s - and she's in a psychiatric unit recovering from a mental breakdown. A decade earlier, her life held such promise; she had every option in her hand. How did it come to this? As we go back and walk with Adella through her 20s, she searches for her grand purpose through love, career and travel. At her side through the tumultuous highs and lows is her best friend, Jake, facing his own challenges and opportunities. They both know the future must have something better to offer - but why does it also always feel, in the bottom of their stomachs, as though something bad is going to happen?

Stranger in a strange land / Heinlein, Robert A. (Robert Anson)

A human raised on Mars, Valentine Michael Smith has just arrived on planet Earth. Among his people for the first time, he struggles to understand the social mores and prejudices of human nature that are so alien to him, while his own 'psi' powers - among them telepathy, clairvoyance, telekinesis, and teleportation - make him a type of messiah figure among humans. *Stranger in a Strange Land* grew from a cult favourite to a bestseller to a classic in a few short years.

A stroke of the pen : the lost stories / Pratchett, Terry

A collection of twenty rediscovered stories, written under a pseudonym (Patrick Kearns) in the 1970s and 80s. These early tales hint at the worlds Terry would go on to create, containing all his trademark wit, satirical wisdom and fantastic imagination. Meet Og the inventor, the first caveman to cultivate fire, as he discovers the highs and lows of progress; haunt the Ministry of Nuisances with the defiant evicted ghosts of Pilgarlic Towers.

The Bee Sting Paul Murray / Murray, Paul

The Barnes family is in trouble. Dickie's once-lucrative car business is going under - but rather than face the music, he's spending his days in the woods, building an apocalypse-proof bunker with a renegade handyman. His wife Imelda is selling off her jewelry on eBay, while their teenage daughter Cass, formerly top of her class, seems determined to binge-drink her way through her final exams. And twelve-year-old PJ is putting the final touches to his grand plan to run away from home. Where did it all go wrong?

The cage / Jardine, Quintin

On a sunny seaside August morning, a woman on maternity leave spots a body wedged in rocks on a Scottish beach. Gavin Ayre's riding gear sparks the assumption that he had been thrown by a panicked horse... until an autopsy reveals this was no accident. Soon it becomes clear that Ayre's life was as big a mystery as his death. Detective Superintendent Harold 'Sauce' Haddock heads an investigation that is running into the sand, until a link is revealed between the victim and another man in Spain, with a surprisingly similar name.

Fiction

The talented Mrs Greenway / *Cooper, Tea*

1814 Sydney. When Mary Greenway, freshly arrived from the old country, steps into the maelstrom of Sydney Town with three children at her skirts, she has high hopes of a new beginning, despite having little money and a husband in irons. After all, the sudden death of her sadistic first husband has meant freedom from her gilded cage and Francis Greenway is an architect of some promise, under the protection of Admiral Phillip himself. Mary herself is a woman of great resources and an even greater creative passion, a passion that will surely burn through anything that the filthy, burgeoning, vitality of colonial Sydney can throw at her.

Large Print

Sons of Thunder / *Johnstone, J.A.*

Johnstone Country. Dangerous Curves ahead. Slash and Pesco match wits with the wildest opponent they've ever had. A wickedly smart woman who can't be caught, in their wildest western adventure ever

It sounds easy, track down the lady friend of notorious outlaw Duke Winter and bring her to questioning. There is just one problem Slash and Pesco have never met a woman like Miss Fannie Diamond before.

Non-Fiction

The bone chests : unlocking the secrets of the Anglo-Saxons / Jarman, Cat

In December 1642, during the Civil War, Parliamentary troops stormed the magnificent Winchester Cathedral, intent on destruction. Reaching the choir, its beating heart, the soldiers searched out ten beautifully decorated wooden chests resting high up on the stone screens. Those chests contained some of England's most venerated, ancient remains: The bones of eight kings, three bishops and a formidable queen, Emma of Normandy. These were the very people who witnessed and orchestrated the creation of the kingdom of Wessex in the 7th century; who lived through the creation of England as a unified country in response to the Viking threat; and who were part and parcel of the Norman conquest.

The book at war : libraries and readers in a time of conflict / Pettegree, Andrew

Propaganda, pulp fiction, spies and censorship: the fascinating and action-packed story of books in wartime. Chairman Mao was a librarian. Stalin was a published poet. Evelyn Waugh served as a commando - before leaving to write *Brideshead Revisited*. Since the advent of modern warfare, books have all too often found themselves on the frontline.

Build the life you want : the art and science of getting happier / Brooks, Arthur C.

You can get happier. And getting there will be the adventure of a lifetime. In *Build the Life You Want*, Arthur C. Brooks and Oprah Winfrey invite you to begin a journey toward greater happiness, no matter how challenging your circumstances. Combining their decades of experience studying happiness from every angle, they show you how to improve your life right now - instead of waiting for the outside world to change. You will learn how to: - Manage your emotions so they no longer control your outlook and behaviour;

Coding : all-in-one / Minnick, Chris

"Adding some coding know-how to your skills can help launch a new career or bolster an old one. *Coding All-in-One For Dummies* offers an ideal starting place for learning the languages that make technology go. This edition gets you started with a helpful explanation of how coding works and how it's applied in the real-world before setting you on a path toward writing code for web building, mobile application development, and data analysis. Add coding to your skillset for your existing career, or begin the exciting transition into life as a professional developer--*Dummies* makes it easy."

Essential tennis : improve faster, play smarter, and win more matches / Westermann, Ian

Essential Tennis contains technique-based instruction for executing groundstrokes, volleys, and serves, as well as progressions, drills, and mindsets players should incorporate. Westermann illuminates strokes, movement, strategy, and mental toughness--all proven to be successful over 20 years with clients of all ages and skill levels"

Non-Fiction

The Innocent Man / *Grisham, John*

In the town of Ada, Oklahoma, Ron Williamson was going to be the next Mickey Mantle. But on his way to the Big Leagues, Ron stumbled, his dreams broken by drinking, drugs, and women. Then, on a winter night in 1982, not far from Ron's home, a young cocktail waitress named Debra Sue Carter was savagely murdered. The investigation led nowhere. Until, on the flimsiest evidence, it led to Ron Williamson. The washed-up small-town hero was charged, tried, and sentenced to death--in a trial littered with lying witnesses and tainted evidence that would shatter a man's already broken life, and let a true killer go free.

The joy thief : how OCD steals your happiness -- and how to get it back / *Moodie, Penny*

When Penny Moodie hears people say that they're 'a bit OCD' about cleaning or tidying, she can't help but feel frustrated. It took her twenty-three years to be diagnosed with Obsessive Compulsive Disorder - a debilitating mental health condition involving intrusive thoughts and accompanying physical or mental compulsions , stigmas and treatments with raw honesty and zero judgement.

The last charge of the Australian Light Horse / *FitzSimons, Peter*

On 31st October 1917, as the day's light faded, the Australian Light Horse charged against their enemy. Eight hundred men and horses galloped four miles across open country, towards the artillery, rifles and machine guns of the Turks occupying the seemingly unassailable town of Beersheba. What happened in the next hour changed the course of history. This brave battle and the extraordinary adventures that led to it are brought vividly to life. It is an epic tale of farm boys, drovers, bank clerks, dentists, poets and scoundrels transported to fight a war half a world away, and is full of incredible character

Liver better life / *Gow, Paul*

Can I still eat chocolate and have a healthy liver? What do my swollen ankles have to do with my liver? Fatty liver disease is real, it's super common, and it can progress to cirrhosis or liver cancer. As it turns out, your liver health is the canary in the coalmine for your overall health. With good liver health, you can look forward to a life of vitality, free of the diseases that so often cause premature death in the western world, such as diabetes, heart attack, stroke and cancer. But before you panic, reversing fatty liver disease is possible - and simple

The menopause diet : 75 recipes to reset the body and blast body fat : nutrient-rich meals that support hormonal balance and aid in weight loss, plus tips and tricks for managing menopause symptoms and staying on track with your diet / *James, Faye*

The Menopause Diet is a comprehensive guide to nourishing your body during menopause, a time when hormonal changes can make it difficult to maintain a healthy weight and feel your best. This book offers delicious and easy-to-follow recipes that are specifically designed to help reset your body, blast body fat, and improve your overall health and well-being.

Non-Fiction

The Milkwood permaculture living handbook : habits for hope in a changing world / *Bradley, Kirsten*

Create the sustainable life you want to live with this practical guide packed full of all the habits, skills and inspiration you'll need. What if your habits could create a more meaningful life for you and a better world? The Milkwood Permaculture Living Handbook is your guide to improving your home, health and happiness -- and the planet -- one simple step at a time. Packed with practical skills and projects, it's regenerative living for busy people who want to make a positive impact in a world out of balance. Discover how simple changes to your every day can make a big difference.

Scandinavia / *Ham, Anthony*

Lonely Planet's Scandinavia is our most comprehensive guide that extensively covers all the region has to offer, with recommendations for both popular and lesser-known experiences. Be awed by the aurora borealis, explore waterfalls in Iceland and be inspired by innovative Scandinavian design; all with your trusted travel companion.

Simply stitched with wool : create beautiful, textured embroidery with wool & cotton / *Higuchi, Yumiko*

Discover the joy of embroidery with wool! In this fresh collection of botanical-inspired motifs, Yumiko Higuchi combines wool thread with cotton floss for a modern twist on embroidery. Wool thread creates fluffy, three-dimensional embroidery with a soft, warm texture. Because of its voluminous nature, wool thread stitches up quickly, allowing you to create bold embroidery designs with ease. The collection includes 24 stunning motifs featuring mushrooms, dandelions, poppies, pansies, butterflies, birds, and more.

Biographies

Bee Miles : Australia's famous bohemian rebel, and the untold story behind the legend / *Ellis, Rose*

Bee Miles was a truly larger-than-life character. Famous for being outrageous in public, or, as she said, living 'recklessly', she shocked and intrigued cities and towns across Australia. But she was no ordinary wanderer. Born into a wealthy family, Bee moved in Sydney's literary and artistic circles in the 1920s and 1930s before she took up residence on the streets. A consummate performer and a perceptive critic, she caught the public's imagination with her spectacular acts of defiance, emerging majestically from the surf with a knife strapped to each thigh, stopping a country train in its tracks, hitchhiking across remote Australia and drawing large city crowds with her Shakespeare recitations.

Beeswax and tall tales : memories of an Aussie antique dealer / *Crowley, Jane*

As an antique dealer, Athol Salter has peddled in other people's stories for over sixty years. From humble beginnings in his Junque Shop in country New South Wales in the 1960s to Dirty Janes in the Southern Highlands, he has rummaged through ramshackle huts, dealt with dubious property from deceased estates and cleared grand country properties and crumbling mansions looking for pieces filled with stories to pass on. Beeswax and Tall Tales includes not just snippets from Athol's hilarious and poignant life, but the stories told in the antiques he trades and the enchanting people he meets along the way.

Being Henry : the Fonz ... and beyond / *Winkler, Henry*

Henry Winkler, launched into prominence by his role as The Fonz in the beloved TV series Happy Days, has transcended the role that made him who he is. Brilliant, funny and widely regarded as the nicest man in Hollywood, Henry shares, in this memoir, the disheartening truth of his childhood, the difficulties of a life with severe dyslexia, the pressures of a role that takes on a life of its own, and the path forward once your wildest dream seems behind you. Today, Henry has endeared himself to a new generation.

Finding my bella vita : a story of family, food, fame and working out who you are / *Miranda, Pia*

For years Pia Miranda has been stopped in the street by calls of, 'Found you!', forever linked to that character we all loved: Josie from Looking for Alibrandi. But playing Josie is only one small part of everything that has shaped the woman Pia has become. As a child, her Nonna would tell her stories of the small volcanic island off Sicily she called home. Cannoli, curses and lighting a candle at church were as much a part of Pia's childhood as mouse plagues, her Aussie Nanna's lemon slice and cheering on South Melbourne at the footy with her Grandfather.

Biographies

If you would have told me : a memoir / *Stamos, John*

"If you would have told a young John Stamos flipping burgers at his dad's fast-food joint that one day he'd be a household name and that, at the height of his success, he'd be living alone, divorced, with no kids, high on a cocktail of forgetting, he might've asked, "You want fries with that?" John burst onto the scene in *General Hospital*, propelling him into the teen idol stratosphere, a place that's often a point of no return. But Stamos beat the odds and over the past four decades has proved himself to be one of his generation's most successful and beloved actors.

Irena's gift : an epic World War II memoir of sisters, secrets and survival / *Kirsten, Karen*

In 1942, in Nazi-occupied Poland, a Jewish child was smuggled out of the Warsaw ghetto in a backpack. That child was Karen Kirsten's mother, but she knew nothing about this extraordinary event until one day a letter arrived from a stranger. After Karen eventually discovered the grandparents she loved dearly were in fact not her biological grandparents, she travelled the globe to uncover her family's past and to find the answers to baffling questions- why did her adoptive grandmother treat Karen's mother so unkindly? Why did she hide the truth that she was her mother's aunt?

DVD's

Barbie (*digital video disc*)

To live in Barbie Land is to be a perfect being in a perfect place. Unless you have a full-on existential crisis. Or you're a Ken. Barbie and Ken are having the time of their lives in the colourful and seemingly perfect world of Barbie Land. However, when they get a chance to go to the real world, they soon discover the joys and perils of living among humans.

Crown, The : Season 5 (*digital video disc*)

It's a new decade, and the royal family are facing what may be their biggest challenge yet: proving their continued relevance in '90s Britain. As Diana and Charles wage a media war, cracks begin to splinter the royal foundation.

Gran Turismo - Based On A True Story (*digital video disc*)

Gran Turismo is based on the unbelievable true story of a team of unlikely underdogs a struggling working-class gamer (Archie Madekwe), a failed former race car driver (David Harbour), and an idealistic motorsport executive (Orlando Bloom). Together, they risk it all to take on the most elite sport in the world. Gran Turismo is an inspiring, thrilling, and action-packed story that proves that nothing is impossible when you're fuelled from within.

Jujutsu kaisen. Part 2 (*digital video disc*) YA

Yuji Itadori, a kind-hearted teenager, joins his school's Occult Club for fun, but discovers that its members are actual sorcerers who can manipulate the energy between beings for their own use. He hears about a cursed talisman - the finger of Sukuna, a demon - and its being targeted by other cursed beings.

Audiobook

Behind the seams : my life in rhinestones / *Parton, Dolly*

In *Behind the Seams: My Life in Rhinestones*, global superstar Dolly Parton shares, for the first time, the full story behind her lifelong passion for fashion, including how she developed her own distinctly Dolly style, which has defied convention and endeared her to fans around the world. Featuring behind-the-scenes stories from Dolly Parton's life and career, this audiobook spotlights her most unforgettable looks from the 1960s to now. The sky-high heels, famous wigs, bold makeup, eye-catching stage clothes - she shares them all.

The crow trap : MP3 audiobook / *Cleves, Ann*

Everyone has something to hide. Three very different women come together at an isolated cottage on the North Pennines to complete an environmental survey. Three women who each know the meaning of betrayal. Rachael, the team leader, is still reeling after a double betrayal by her lover and boss. Anne, a botanist, sees the survey as a chance to indulge in a little deception of her own. And then there is Grace, a strange, uncommunicative young woman, hiding plenty of her own secrets.

Lacey : CD audiobook / *McArthur, Fiona*

Lacey Jerome had always fought her attraction to sexy police officer Cameron James, but one crazy night, she let her hair down and fell into bed with him. Their night together turned more passionate, more soul-scorching than she'd imagined it could be, but mixed messages from Cameron had her fleeing the scene. Now, she's back in Wirralong with the memories of their one-night stand etched into her mind and a mission to reconnect with the man who made her lose her head in the most delicious manner

The last daughter : a true story of love, loss and reconnection : MP3 audiobook / *Matthews, Brenda*

When Brenda Matthews was two years old, she and her siblings were taken from their parents. For the next five years she was a much-loved daughter in a white family, a happy child in a country town on the outskirts of Sydney, unaware of the existence of her Aboriginal family or how hard her parents were fighting for her return-unaware of her Aboriginal identity. Then, she was suddenly returned to her Aboriginal family, the last daughter to come home. Decades later, feeling a sense of something missing in her life, Brenda searches for her foster family and her beloved white sister, with whom she had had no contact.

One summer : CD audiobook / *Roberts, Nora*

There's no summer getaway for *Celebrity* magazine photographer Bryan Mitchell this year. Instead she will be spending three months on the road with renowned photojournalist Shade Colby. Their assignment is a nationwide photo shoot, taking candid snapshots of a summer in America for a beautiful coffee table book.

Shelter : MP3 audiobook / *Coben, Harlan*

Mickey Bolitar's year can't get much worse. After witnessing his father's death and sending his mum to rehab, he's forced to live with his estranged uncle Myron and switch high schools. A new school comes with new friends and new enemies, and lucky for Mickey, it also comes with a great new girlfriend, Ashley. For a while, it seems like Mickey's train-wreck of a life is finally improving - until Ashley vanishes without a trace. Unwilling to let another person walk out of his life, Mickey follows Ashley's trail into a seedy underworld that reveals that this seemingly sweet, shy girl isn't who she claimed to be.

The sugar palace : MP3 audiobook / *McIntosh, Fiona*

One woman's ambition Sydney, 1925: When Grace Fairweather meets the irresistible Londoner Alfie Sweeting, dreams of selling her homemade confectionary are spun into reality. When the truth comes out about Alfie's roguish past is revealed, Grace and Alfie's fairy-tale sweetshop— and their lives come crumbling down.

Miss you forever : MP3 audiobook / *Cox, Josephine*

As a woman lies at death's door in hospital, her touching story, encapsulated in her diaries, springs back to life. One winter's night, in the coal-hole in her yard, Rosie finds that a woman sheltering there has been severely beaten by thugs. At a glance, Kathleen looks like an unkempt, aged vagabond who tramps the roads carrying all her worldly possessions in a grubby tapestry bag. Her only friend is the mangy old dog who accompanies her; the sum of her life is in the diaries she so zealously guards. Yet close up, Rosie can see that Kathleen has a gracious beauty - the 'look' of a respectable lady of means.