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BIOGRAPHIES

Heartbreaker: A Memoir

-Jennifer Jones

The lead guitarist of Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers shares his tender-hearted rags-to-riches story.

We Tell Ourselves Stories: Joan Didion and the American Dream Machine

-Alissa Wilkinson

Chronicles the iconic writer's journey from journalist to Hollywood screenwriter, examining how her fascination with American mythmaking and cinematic motifs shaped her work and her critique of Hollywood's role in sensationalizing the nation's fears and dreams.

Shattered: A Memoir

-Hanif Kureishi

A writer recounts his yearlong recovery in Rome following a fall that left him unable to walk, dictating reflections on his medical journey, parenthood, immigration, and writing, transforming his pain into a narrative that celebrates resilience, gratitude, and love amidst adversity.

Song So Wild and Blue: A Life with the Music of Joni Mitchell

-Paul Lisicky

Blends memoir, biography, and homage as the author reflects on the lasting impact of Joni Mitchell's artistry on his own creative life, tracing how her introspective, unconventional music served as both a personal and artistic guide through his journey from aspiring songwriter to accomplished professional.

CHRISTIAN/INSPIRATIONAL FICTION

Ambush

-Colleen Coble

The first book in the riveting new series from USA TODAY bestselling author Colleen Coble, where a young woman will do anything to uncover the truth of her parents' murder--even work alongside the man who once broke her heart.

An Amish Healing & Ollie's Story

-Beth Wiseman

When 10-month-old Border Collie--Ollie--finds himself separated from his owners, he searches for help and comfort. He lands on the doorstep of a de facto veterinarian in Amish Country. As Ollie describes his adventures in this sweet short story, he learns about grief, new beginnings, and blossoming new love.

The Peacemaker

-Wanda E. Brunstetter

In book two of *A Mifflin County Mystery series*, Rosa Petersheim's disappearance continues to cause suspicion and pain to swirl in the Big Valley.

CHRISTIAN/INSPIRATIONAL FICTION (CONTINUED)

- Welcome to the Honey B&B***
-Melody Carlson
After years in San Jose, Jewel McKerry is going home to Oregon to help care for her father who has early onset dementia. Easier said than done. Jewel's 13-year-old daughter is upset about the move. Her absentminded beekeeper dad is a humorous handful. Her mom is overworked and overwhelmed. Her finances are stretched tight. And, according to her father, the neighbors are troublesome.

FANTASY & SCI-FI

- Cold Iron Task***
-James J. Butcher
Novice Auditor Grimshaw Grimsby joins a high-stakes heist to repair his fractured friendships, but secrets and monsters force him to confront both his past in the third novel of the series following *Long Past Dues*.
- The Dream Hotel***
-Laila Lalami
After a dream-analysis algorithm predicts that she will harm her husband, Sara is detained in a facility with similarly accused women, where she navigates shifting rules until a new arrival leads her to confront the forces controlling her fate.
- Elphie: A Wicked Childhood***
-Gregory Maguire
Elphaba, the green-skinner girl destined to become the Wicked Witch of the West experiences a turbulent childhood, family struggles, friendships and the injustices of Oz on her path to Shiz University.
- The Ragpicker King***
-Cassandra Clare
Kel Saren, body double to Prince Conor, and Lin Caster, a healer with dangerous powers, navigate a web of royal conspiracies, criminal underworlds, and dark magic in Castellane, where their choices between love, loyalty, and betrayal could cost them everything, including their lives.

GENERAL FICTION

- Beach Vibes***
-Susan Mallery
Beth's idyllic life running her Malibu beach shop unravels when she discovers her brother's infidelity and must make a moral decision threatening her newfound happiness and forcing her to choose between love and loyalty.
- Hot Air***
-Marcy Dermansky
Single mother Joannie finds herself caught in a whirlwind of desire and confusion when her billionaire childhood crush crash-lands into her life, leading to a chaotic and hilarious exploration of love, lust and the complexities of modern relationships.
- Killer Potential***
-Hannah Deitch
A new novel follows two unlikely fugitives—an SAT tutor who finds her rich employers brutally murdered and the bound woman she frees from their mansion.
- Lucky Night***
-Eliza Kennedy
Nick Holloway and Jenny Parrish have been meeting monthly for sex for six years despite being married to other people, but when a fire starts outside their hotel room, fear strips away their defenses, and they are forced to be honest with each other and themselves.
- Walk Softly on This Heart of Mine***
-Callie Collins
In 1970s Austin, Texas, a struggling honky-tonk bar on the city's outskirts is revived by a blues band, intertwining the lives of a guitarist chasing fame, a conflicted bar owner, and a boy grappling with identity, leading to a community's turbulent transformation.

GENERAL FICTION (CONTINUED)

The Women on Platform Two

-Laura Anthony

In 1969 Dublin, Maura and Bernie confront dangerous choices around motherhood, while in 2023, Saoirse's hesitation about having children connects her to a hidden history of women's resilience that shaped her freedom to choose.

HISTORICAL FICTION

The Antidote

-Karen Russell

In a Dust Bowl-era Nebraska town burdened by the Great Depression and its dark past, a witch guarding memories, a grieving athlete, a cursed farmer, and a photographer with a time-bending camera grapple with buried secrets and the consequences of a nation's forgotten history.

The Jackal's Mistress

-Chris Bohjalian

Managing her gristmill amid the turmoil of war in 1864 Virginia, Libby Steadman must choose whether to risk treason and aid a gravely injured Union officer left to die, while her desperate hope for news of her imprisoned husband collides with the harsh realities of war.

A Map to Paradise

-Susan Meissner

Blacklisted actress Melanie Cole and her maid, Eva, form an unlikely alliance to uncover the mystery surrounding their agoraphobic neighbor's disappearance, leading them to a surprising discovery about themselves and their shared past.

The Paris Express

-Emma Donoghue

Set on a fateful 1895 train journey to Paris, a diverse group of passengers—including politicians, a medical student, an inventor, and an anarchist—navigate personal ambitions and hidden motives, culminating in a disaster that forever changes their lives.

MYSTERY & DETECTIVE

Big Name Fan

-Ruthie Knox & Annie Mare

When two A-list celebrities famous for their on-screen chemistry as TV detectives are reunited to investigate a real-life Hollywood murder, fans who have been 'shipping the leading ladies for years might just get the ending they've always wanted.

Finlay Donovan Digs Her Own Grave

-Elle Cosimano

After a body is found in a neighbor's yard, Finlay and Vero must solve the murder before police uncover secrets they'd rather keep buried in the fifth novel of the series following *Finlay Donovan Rolls the Dice*.

High Tea and Misdemeanors

-Laura Childs

While catering an elegant wedding, tea shop owner Theodosia Browning investigates a murder after a suspicious greenhouse collapse turns deadly during the celebration in the latest addition to long-running the series following *Peach Tea Smash*.

Murder in an Irish Garden

-Carlene O'Connor

In Kilbane, County Cork, Ireland, garda Siobhán and husband Macdara must solve a murder connected to the designer of Kibane's Top Garden Contest winner—a landscaper hired by Siobhán's chef brother Eoin—before there's another victim.

Pomona Afton Can So Solve a Murder

-Bellamy Rose

A spoiled heiress must investigate her grandmother's death to gain back her trust fund, all while discovering how to be her own person and maybe even in falling in love.

MYSTERY & DETECTIVE (CONTINUED)

- Silent as the Grave: A Molly Murphy Mystery***
-Rhys Bowen & Clare Broyles
Molly Murphy Sullivan, juggling motherhood in 1900s New York, investigates deadly sabotage on a film set after her adopted daughter, Bridie, lands a starring role, uncovering tensions between rival studios amidst the fledgling movie industry's dangerous experiments.

NONFICTION

- The Crossing: El Paso, the Southwest, and America's Forgotten Origin Story***
-Richard Parker
Reinterprets American history through the lens of El Paso, Texas, highlighting its role as a crossroads of Indigenous trade, European colonization, westward expansion, immigration, and civil rights, portraying the city as a vital yet overlooked blueprint for America's diverse and interconnected future.
- Four Red Sweaters: Powerful True Stories of Women and the Holocaust***
-Lucy Adlington
The New York Times bestselling author of *The Dressmakers of Auschwitz* tells the stories of four Jewish girls during the Holocaust, strangers whose lives were unknowingly linked by everyday garments.
- Make Magic: The book of Inspiration You Didn't Know You Needed***
-Brad Meltzer
An inspiring guide, based on the author's viral commencement speech, to living with authenticity, empathy and gratitude, using magic as an allegory to reveal four transformative life lessons that help create a more fulfilling and wonder-filled existence.
- Unmasking for Life: The Autistic Person's Guide to Connecting, Loving, and Living Authentically***
-Devon Price
Provides practical tools for Autistic individuals to embrace neurodiversity, develop key skills for authentic relationships, and create new ways of living, loving, and advocating for their needs, moving beyond the unmasking process to navigate life with confidence and assertiveness.

ROMANCE

- The Big Fix***
-Holly James
After a murder at an estate sale entangles bookish professor Penny Collins with Anthony, a fixer on the run, the unlikely pair must outwit criminals and the FBI, relying on Penny's smarts and Anthony's skills to survive a summer of chaos.
- Far from Home***
-Danielle Steel
Fleeing Paris after her husband's execution for opposing Hitler, Arielle von Auspeck hides in Normandy, joins the Resistance and forges a bond with a grieving widower as they fight to reunite with their loved ones.
- Jane and Dan at the End of the World***
-Colleen Oakley
While celebrating their anniversary at La Fin du Monde, unhappy couple Jane and Dan find themselves taken hostage by bumbling climate activists whose actions are eerily similar to those in Jane's failed novel, so only they know what will happen and how to stop it.
- Swordheart***
-T. Kingfisher
While locked in her bedroom, safely away from her greedy relatives at her newly inherited estate, Halla unsheathes the ancient sword that's been collecting dust on the wall since before she moved in, and, suddenly a man named Sarkis appears and tells her he is an immortal warrior trapped in a prison of enchanted steel.

SUSPENSE/THRILLER

- All the Other Mothers Hate Me***
-Sarah Harman
When single mom Florence Grimes' son is accused of causing the mysterious disappearance of a bully classmate, she must manage her disdain of the other moms, her own self-doubts and unexpected truths to prove his innocence.
- Blood Moon***
-Sandra Brown
Haunted by an unsolved case, a detective teams up with a determined true crime producer to solve the mysterious disappearances of local teenage girls, all who went missing during the night of a blood moon.
- Count My Lies***
-Sophie Stava
A suspense thriller is narrated by a compulsive liar whose little white lies allow her to enter the life and comfort of a wealthy married couple who are harboring much darker secrets themselves.
- Fight or Flight***
-Fern Michaels
Haunted by a tragedy in her past, reclusive author Katherine Winston must leave her isolated mountain retreat to help a young fan whose life is threatened, leading her on a journey of self-discovery and courage.
- Lethal Prey***
-John Sandford
Twenty years after her sister Doris's murder, when Lara Grandfelt offers \$5 million for information leading to an arrest and a true-crime blogger finds the murder weapon, detectives Lucas Davenport and Virgil Flowers must discover the killer who's lurking in plain sight.
- Nobody's Fool***
-Harlan Coben
Backpacking in Spain, Sami Kierce wakes up covered in blood, his girlfriend Anna dead, and he runs—then years later he sees Anna in his night school classroom, she bolts, and he must find her to solve the mystery that has haunted him.
- The Summer Guests***
-Tess Gerritsen
In Purity, Maine, former spy Maggie Bird and her Martini Club of ex-CIA operatives are drawn into the search for a missing teen with ties to their past, as they confront an innocent friend's wrongful suspicion, a buried corpse, and dark secrets that threaten to unravel everything they've worked to protect.
- Ward D***
-Freida McFadden
Medical student Amy Brenner's dreaded overnight shift on Ward D spirals into a nightmare as patients and staff mysteriously vanish, forcing her to confront buried secrets and the escalating danger within the locked psychiatric ward.

CD AUDIOBOOKS

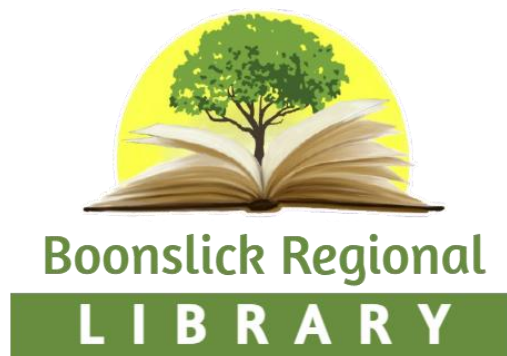
- Dream Girl Drama***
-Tessa Bailey
A steamy chance encounter between a professional hockey player and the manic pixie dream girl he just can't seem to forget takes a turn when the pair realize that their parents are engaged--in an all-new rom-com by #1 New York Times bestselling author.
- Nemesis***
-Gregg Hurwitz
Evan Smoak is a highly trained former government assassin who has survived for years by keeping his circle to a few trusted confidants and a strict code he calls "The Ten Commandments." But when Evan suddenly finds himself at odds with his oldest friend, all the rules he lives by shatter--and the consequences are murderous.
- Stone Certainty***
-Simon R. Green
Dare you enter the stone circle? The world's most unlikely ghost-busting duo--actress Diana and handsome young bishop Alistair--are back in this spine-tingling paranormal mystery from New York Times bestselling British fantasy author.

PLAYAWAY AUDIOBOOKS

- Boudicca***
-P.C. Cast
Inspired by the rich history of Boudicca's attack on Roman Britain, bestselling author P. C. Cast crafts an epic, mythic retelling of one of time's most legendary female warriors.
- Onyx Storm***
-Rebecca Yarros
After nearly eighteen months at Basgiath War College, Violet Sorrengail knows there's no more time for lessons. No more time for uncertainty. Because the battle has truly begun, and with enemies closing in from outside their walls and within their ranks, it's impossible to know who to trust.
- Tooth and Claw***
-Craig Johnson
In the tradition of *Wait for Signs* and *The Highwayman*, Craig Johnson is back with a short novel set in the Alaska tundra where a young Walt Longmire and Henry Standing Bear face off with powerful enemies who will do anything to get what they want.

DVD'S

- Gladiator II***
-Action/Adventure (R)
Years after witnessing the death of Maximus at the hands of his uncle, Lucius must enter the Colosseum after the powerful emperors of Rome conquer his home. With rage in his heart and the future of the empire at stake, he looks to the past to find the strength and honor needed to return the glory of Rome to its people.
- The Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare***
-Action/War (R)
British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and a group of military officials hatch a daring plan to neutralize Hitler's fleet of German U-boats during World War II. Made up of a motley crew of rogues and mavericks, the top-secret combat unit uses unconventional techniques to battle the Nazis and change the course of the war.
- Moana 2***
-Family/Adventure (PG)
Moana journeys to the far seas of Oceania after receiving an unexpected call from her wayfinding ancestors.



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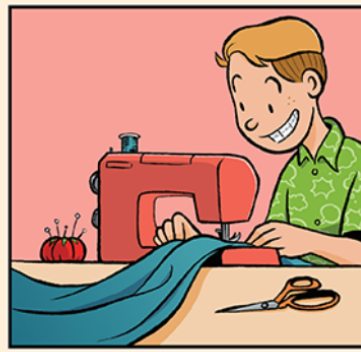
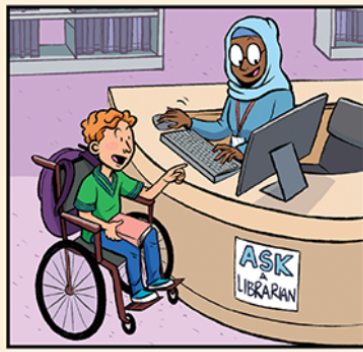
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