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Shameless Exploitation in Pursuit of the Common Good Aug 05 2023 "There are three rules for running a business; fortunately, we don't know any of them." In 1978, Paul Newman and A. E. Hotchner decided that rather than just distribute Paul's own salad dressing at Christmas to neighbors, they would offer it to a few local stores. Freewheeling, irreverent entrepreneurs, they conceived of their venture as a great way to poke fun at the mundane method of traditional marketing. Much to their surprise, the dressing was enthusiastically received. What had started as a lark quickly escalated into a full-fledged business, the first company to place all-natural foods in supermarkets. From salad dressing to spaghetti sauce, to popcorn and lemonade, Newman's Own became a major player in the food business. The company's profits were originally donated to medical research, education, and the environment, and eventually went to the creation of the eight Hole in the Wall Gang camps for children with serious illnesses. In these pages Newman and Hotchner recount the picaresque saga of their own nonmanagement adventure. In alternating voices, playing off one another in classic "Odd Couple" style, they describe how they systematically disregarded the advice of experts and relied instead on instinct, imagination, and mostly luck. They write about how they hurdled obstacle after obstacle, share their hilarious misadventures, and reveal their offbeat solutions to conventional problems. Even their approach to charity is decidedly different: every year they give away all the company's profits, empty the coffers, and start over again. The results of this amazing generosity are brought to life in heartwarming stories about the children at their camps. With rare glimpses into their zany style and their compassion for those less fortunate, Newman and Hotchner have written the perfect nonmanagement book, at once playful, informative, and inspirational.

Tenth of December Oct 27 2022 The prize-winning, New York Times bestselling short story collection from the internationally bestselling author of Lincoln in the Bardo 'The best book you'll read this year' New York Times 'Dazzlingly surreal stories about a failing America' Sunday Times WINNER OF THE 2014 FOLIO PRIZE AND SHORTLISTED FOR THE NATIONAL BOOK AWARD 2013 George Saunders's most wryly hilarious and disturbing

collection yet, Tenth of December illuminates human experience and explores figures lost in a labyrinth of troubling preoccupations. A family member recollects a backyard pole dressed for all occasions; Jeff faces horrifying ultimatums and the prospect of Darkenfloxx(TM) in some unusual drug trials; and Al Roosten hides his own internal monologue behind a winning smile that he hopes will make him popular. With dark visions of the future riffing against ghosts of the past and the ever-settling present, this collection sings with astonishing charm and intensity.

Metropolitan Stories Jun 10 2021 “Only someone who deeply loves and understands the Metropolitan Museum could deliver such madcap, funny, magical, tender, intimate fables and stories.” —Maira Kalman, artist and bestselling author of *The Principles of Uncertainty* From a writer who worked at the Metropolitan Museum for more than twenty-five years, an enchanting novel that shows us the Met that the public doesn't see. Hidden behind the Picassos and Vermeers, the Temple of Dendur and the American Wing, exists another world: the hallways and offices, conservation studios, storerooms, and cafeteria that are home to the museum's devoted and peculiar staff of 2,200 people—along with a few ghosts. A surreal love letter to this private side of the Met, *Metropolitan Stories* unfolds in a series of amusing and poignant vignettes in which we discover larger-than-life characters, the downside of survival, and the powerful voices of the art itself. The result is a novel bursting with magic, humor, and energetic detail, but also a beautiful book about introspection, an ode to lives lived for art, ultimately building a powerful collage of human experience and the world of the imagination.

Mabel Normand Feb 11 2024 American silent film actress Mabel Normand (1892-1930) appeared in a string of popular movies opposite stars like Charlie Chaplin and Fatty Arbuckle before dying of tuberculosis at 37. Her brief but remarkable career--which included directorial and writing credits and heading her own studio and production company--was eclipsed by scandal when police connected her to the unsolved 1922 murder of director William Desmond Taylor. Tracing her life from humble beginnings on Staten Island to the heights of world superstardom, this book highlights Normand's substantial yet largely overlooked contributions to film history and popular culture.

Kind of a Big Deal Aug 13 2021 “So many strange and wonderful things happen at every twist and turn, you'll be happy to wander with Josie . . . Each book she descends into seems to teach her something, and even if it's not obvious where the story is going, we're in it for the long haul.” —NPR From Shannon Hale, bestselling author of *Austenland*, comes *Kind of a Big Deal*: a story that will suck you in—literally. There's nothing worse than peaking in high school. Nobody knows that better than Josie Pie. She was kind of a big deal—she dropped out of high school to be a star! But the bigger you are, the harder you fall. And Josie fell. Hard. Ouch. Broadway dream: dead. Meanwhile, her life keeps imploding. Best friend: distant. Boyfriend: busy. Mom: not playing with a full deck? Desperate to escape, Josie gets into reading. Literally. She reads a book and suddenly she's inside it. And with each book, she's a different character: a post-apocalyptic heroine, the lead in a YA rom-com, a 17th century wench in a corset. It's alarming. But also . . . kind of amazing? It's the perfect way to live out her fantasies. Book after book, Josie the failed star finds a new way to shine. But the longer she stays in a story, the harder it becomes to escape. Will Josie find a story so good that she just stays forever?

Prints Charming Feb 16 2022 Unlock the secrets to creating gorgeous, pattern-filled rooms with the joyful spirit that every home deserves. Layers of pattern bring serious style to any interior—and the pages of every shelter magazine have featured this well-loved look. This bright, lively interior design book is like no other: it shows readers how to choose and use pattern (whether on upholstered furniture, walls, and floors, or in curtains, rugs, and accessories) to create gorgeous room designs. It also teaches readers how to layer pattern for fresh, exciting, personalized spaces. The book is delightfully illustrated with inspiring images of design elements and finished rooms—and each chapter is packed with lively DIY projects, plus Dos and Don'ts, Try This, and more. Praise for *Prints Charming* “For a home that's warm, personal, and above all HAPPY, follow the lead of the Madcap gents: “Expressive not expensive” decor ideas come to life through their joyful designs—it's hard to put this book down without crafting a plan and

cracking a smile.” —Sophie Donelson, Editor in Chief, House Beautiful “A good reminder that one should have fun with decorating . . . Prints Charming is a must for every design library.” —Susan Feldman, Cofounder, One Kings Lane “With a reverent eye firmly upon the works of legendary traditional designers, the Madcap Cottage gents’ vision for mixing pattern, color, far-flung treasures, and classic furniture forms is remarkably approachable and written with their inimitable wit.” —Jill Waage, Editor in Chief, Traditional Home “John and Jason have crafted a must-have bible of prints, patterns, and personality to help everyone learn how to customize their own unique environment.” —Mindy Grossman, CEO and Director, HSN, Inc. “A wonderful book celebrating print, texture, and beauty.” —Christian Siriano, CFDA Designer

Gravity's Rainbow Oct 15 2021 Winner of the 1974 National Book Award “A screaming comes across the sky. . .” A few months after the Germans’ secret V-2 rocket bombs begin falling on London, British Intelligence discovers that a map of the city pinpointing the sexual conquests of one Lieutenant Tyrone Slothrop, U.S. Army, corresponds identically to a map showing the V-2 impact sites. The implications of this discovery will launch Slothrop on an amazing journey across war-torn Europe, fleeing an international cabal of military-industrial superpowers, in search of the mysterious Rocket 00000, through a wildly comic extravaganza that has been hailed in *The New Republic* as “the most profound and accomplished American novel since the end of World War II.”

Sam Wu Is Not Afraid of Ghosts Feb 04 2021 “Reluctant readers and fans of the Wimpy Kid series and its ilk will appreciate the book’s dynamic type, graphics galore, cartoonish illustrations, and ironic footnotes.”—Kirkus Don’t call him scaredy-cat Sam, because Sam Wu IS NOT AFRAID of ghosts! Except . . . he totally is. Can he conquer his fear by facing the ghost that lives in the walls of his house? After an unfortunate (and very embarrassing) incident in the Space Museum, Sam goes on a mission to prove to the school bully, and all his friends, that he’s not afraid of anything—just like the heroes on his favorite show, *Space Blasters*. And when it looks like his house is haunted, Sam gets the chance to prove how brave he can be. A funny, touching, and charming story of ghost hunting, escaped pet snakes, and cats with attitude!

Jane Fairweather Mar 08 2021 This book is part of the series but can be read independently. A new Fairweather sister, Jane, is of age, but woe betides, she does not want to marry. She is a brilliant artist and determined to make a name for herself in the male-dominated field. Enter Mrs Fairweather, a determined mother who will go to any length to get her daughter married off. Alas, through trickery, Jane finds herself taking her wedding vows wrapped in a quilt and wearing only a chemise. Poor Jane is yanked from her dull life in Finnsire and thrust into a world full of strange in-laws, meddling sisters and a devilishly handsome husband, whose kisses begin to make her waver in her resolve to keep her heart locked against love. The madcap world of a Fairweather Sister is ready to take you on a well-sprung carriage ride once again...

Barn 8 Nov 27 2022 An unforgettably exuberant and potent novel by a writer at the height of her powers Two auditors for the U.S. egg industry go rogue and conceive a plot to steal a million chickens in the middle of the night—an entire egg farm’s worth of animals. Janey and Cleveland—a spirited former runaway and the officious head of audits—assemble a precarious, quarrelsome team and descend on the farm on a dark spring evening. A series of catastrophes ensues. Deb Olin Unferth’s wildly inventive novel is a heist story of a very unusual sort. Swirling with a rich array of voices, *Barn 8* takes readers into the minds of these renegades: a farmer’s daughter, a former director of undercover investigations, hundreds of activists, a forest ranger who suddenly comes upon forty thousand hens, and a security guard who is left on an empty farm for years. There are glimpses twenty thousand years into the future to see what chickens might evolve into on our contaminated planet. We hear what hens think happens when they die. In the end the cracked hearts of these indelible characters, their earnest efforts to heal themselves, and their radical actions will lead them to ruin or revelation. Funny, whimsical, philosophical, and heartbreaking, *Barn 8* ultimately asks: What constitutes meaningful action in a world so in need of change? Unferth comes at this question with striking ingenuity, razor-sharp wit, and ferocious passion. *Barn 8* is a rare comic-political

drama, a tour de force for our time.

TIME to MURDER Mar 20 2022 This is the story of Asmita Thakur who made the same mistake twice – loving the wrong person. This drama of love and deception ends with her death. The police consider it a suicide case and the case file gets closed. The story begins once again when the perfidious man who betrayed Asmita gets murdered and the police find his corpse exactly at the same place where Asmita's corpse was found. Investigations reveal a diary in which Asmita records details of her journey from Udaipur to Delhi and of her love and deception. After reading that Inspector Kaushik figures out that one more person is about to die, but who is doing all this? The police suspect two people: Rudra, who was Asmita's one-sided lover and best friend from the office, and Aditya, who was Asmita's half-brother and lives in Delhi. Through further investigation, the police suspect one more person whose blogs Asmita used to read – Sarfira. But is he just a blogger or an important character of Asmita's story? Who is taking revenge for Asmita's suicide? Was it suicide? Or did someone kill her?

Building the Great Society May 22 2022 The author of Lincoln's Boys takes us inside Lyndon Johnson's White House to show how the legendary Great Society programs were actually put into practice: Team of Rivals for LBJ. The personalities behind every burst of 1960s liberal reform - from civil rights and immigration reform, to Medicare and Head Start. "Absorbing, and astoundingly well-researched -- all good historians do their homework, but Zeitz goes above and beyond. It's a more than worthwhile addition to the canon of books about Johnson."--NPR "Beautifully written...a riveting portrait of LBJ... Every officeholder in Washington would profit from reading this book." --Robert Dallek, Author of An Unfinished Life: John F. Kennedy, 1917-1963 and Franklin D. Roosevelt: A Political Life LBJ's towering political skills and his ambitious slate of liberal legislation are the stuff of legend: the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Voting Rights Act of 1965, Medicare, Medicaid, Head Start, and environmental reform. But what happened after the bills passed? One man could not and did not go it alone. Joshua Zeitz reanimates the creative and contentious atmosphere inside Johnson's White House as a talented and energetic group of advisers made LBJ's vision a reality. They desegregated public and private institutions throughout one third of the United States; built Medicare and Medicaid from the ground up in one year; launched federal funding for public education; provided food support for millions of poor children and adults; and launched public television and radio, all in the space of five years, even as Vietnam strained the administration's credibility and budget. Bill Moyers, Jack Valenti, Joe Califano, Harry McPherson and the other staff members who comprised LBJ's inner circle were men as pragmatic and ambitious as Johnson, equally skilled in the art of accumulating power or throwing a sharp elbow. Building the Great Society is the story of how one of the most competent White House staffs in American history - serving one of the most complicated presidents ever to occupy the Oval Office - fundamentally changed everyday life for millions of citizens and forged a legacy of compassionate and interventionist government.

The Book of Anna Aug 25 2022 Russia, 1905. Behind the gates of the Karenin Palace, Sergei, son of Anna Karenina, meets Tolstoy in his dreams and finds reminders of his mother everywhere: the almost-living portrait that the Tsar intends to acquire and the opium-infused manuscripts she wrote just before her death, one of which opens a trapdoor to a wild feminist fairytale. Across the city, Clementine, an anarchist seamstress, and Father Gapón, the charismatic leader of the proletariat, tip the country ever closer to revolution. Boullosa lifts the voices of coachmen, sailors, maids, and seamstresses in this playful, polyphonic, and subversive revision of the Russian revolution, told through the lens of Tolstoy's most beloved work.

Lost Girls Jul 24 2022 In the glorious, boozy party after the first World War, a new being burst defiantly onto the world stage: the so-called flapper. Young, impetuous, and flirtatious, she was an alluring, controversial figure, celebrated in movies, fiction, plays, and the pages of fashion magazines. But, as this book argues, she didn't appear out of nowhere. This spirited, beautifully illustrated history presents a fresh look at the reality of young women's experiences in America and Britain from the 1890s to the 1920s, when the "modern" girl emerged. Linda Simon shows us how this modern

girl bravely created a culture, a look, and a future of her own. *Lost Girls* is an illuminating history of the iconic flapper as she evolved from a problem to a temptation, and finally, in the 1920s and beyond, to an aspiration.

[The Scribblings of a Madcap Shambleton](#) Jul 04 2023 A beautiful and hilarious new book from the star of *Never Mind the Buzzcocks*, and co-author of the massive bestseller *The Mighty Book of Boosh*.

Flapper : A Madcap Story of Sex, Style, Celebrity, and the Women who Made America Modern Nov 15 2021 Flapper is a dazzling look at the women who heralded a radical change in American culture and launched the first truly modern decade. The New Woman of the 1920s puffed cigarettes, snuck gin, hiked her hemlines, danced the Charleston, and necked in roadsters. More important, she earned her own keep, controlled her own destiny, and secured liberties that modern women take for granted. Flapper is an inside look at the 1920s. With tales of Coco Chanel, the French orphan who redefined the feminine form; Lois Long, the woman who christened herself "Lipstick" and gave New Yorker readers a thrilling entrée into Manhattan's extravagant Jazz Age nightlife; three of America's first celebrities: Clara Bow, Colleen Moore, and Louise Brooks; Dallas-born fashion artist Gordon Conway; Zelda and Scott Fitzgerald, whose swift ascent and spectacular fall embodied the glamour and excess of the era; and more.

[The Madcap of the School](#) Jul 12 2021 Angela Brazil's "The Madcap of the School" is a fantastic exploration of life at a traditional English girls' boarding school as shown through the eyes of one of its bright young attendants. Set to the backdrop of World War I, it follows the experiences of Raymonde and her friends during the formative years of their life. Highly recommended for young girls and those with an interest in early school girls' fiction. Angela Brazil (1868 - 1947) was an English author most famous for being one of the first writers of "modern schoolgirls' stories". Her stories were presented from the characters' point of view and were written primarily as entertainment rather than moral instruction. During the first half of the 20th century, Brazil published nearly 50 such books, with the vast majority being set in English boarding schools. Brazil's work had a significant influence on changing the nature of fiction for girls. Her characters were chiefly young females, active, independent, and aware. Brazil's books were often considered to be immoral and deviant, leading to their being burned or banned by many Headteachers in girls schools across Britain. Contents include: "The Mystic Seven", "The Limberlost", "Raymonde Explores", "Fifth-Form Tactics", "A Midnight Scare", "The Crystal Gazers", "The Beano", "A Week on the Land", "The Campers", "Canteen Assistants", etc. Many vintage books such as this are increasingly scarce and expensive. It is with this in mind that we are republishing this volume now in an affordable, modern, high-quality edition complete with a specially-commissioned new biography of the author.

[Hark](#) Sep 25 2022 An "extremely funny...brilliantly alive" (The New York Times Book Review) social satire of the highest order from bestselling author Sam Lipsyte, centered around an unwitting mindfulness guru and the phenomenon he initiates. In an America convulsed by political upheaval, cultural discord, environmental catastrophe, and spiritual confusion, so many of us find ourselves anxious and distracted, searching desperately for peace, salvation, and—perhaps most immediately—just a little damn focus. Enter Hark Morner, a failed stand-up comic turned mindfulness guru whose revolutionary program is set to captivate the masses. But for Fraz and Tovah, a middle-aged couple slogging through a very rough patch, it may take more than the tenets of Hark's "Mental Archery" to solve the riddles of love, lust, work, and parenthood on the eve of civilizational collapse. And given the sudden power of certain fringe players, including a renegade Ivy League ethicist, a gentle Swedish kidnapper, a social media tycoon with an empire on the skids, and a mysteriously influential (but undeniably slimy) catfish, it just might be too late. But what's the point of a world, even a blasted-out post-apocalyptic world, if they don't try with all their might to keep their marriage alive? In this "awfully funny...tartly effective sendup of 21st-century America" (Star Tribune, Minneapolis) Sam Lipsyte reaches new peaks of daring in a novel that revels in contemporary absurdity and the wild poetry of everyday language while exploring the emotional truths of his characters. "Recommended reading" (Vanity Fair), in

which “every line feels as thrillingly charged as a live wire” (O, The Oprah Magazine), Hark is a smart, incisive look at men, women, and children seeking meaning and dignity in a chaotic, ridiculous, and often dangerous world.

The Brief, Madcap Life of Kay Kendall Apr 01 2023 Comedic film actress Kay Kendall, born to a theatrical family in Northern England, came of age in London during the Blitz. After starring in Britain's biggest cinematic disaster, she found stardom in 1953 with her brilliant performance in the film *Genevieve*. She scored success after success with her light comic style in movies such as *Doctor in the House*, *The Reluctant Debutante*, and the Gene Kelly musical *Les Girls*. Kendall's private life was even more colorful than the plots of her films as she embarked on a series of affairs with costars, directors, producers, and married men. In 1954 she fell in love with her married *Constant Husband* costar Rex Harrison and accompanied him to New York, where he was starring on Broadway in *My Fair Lady*. It was there that Kendall was diagnosed with myelocytic leukemia. Her life took a romantic and tragic turn as Harrison divorced his wife and married Kendall. He agreed with their doctor that she was never to know of her diagnosis, and for the next two years the couple lived a hectic, glamorous life together as Kendall's health failed. She died in London at the age of 32 with her husband by her side shortly after completing the filming of *Once More with Feeling!*. This book was written with the cooperation of Kendall's sister Kim and includes interviews with many of her costars, relatives, and friends. A complete filmography and rare photographs complete this first-ever biography of Britain's most glamorous comic star.

Holy Cow Oct 07 2023 "A humorous allegory in the spirit of *Animal Farm*."-- Provided by publisher.

The Madcap Series Jan 10 2024 The country of Esavada is a large prosperous nation, but also one of danger. When the small town of Riverhead falls under such dangers, it is up to five outcasts to set aside their differences, band together, and save the town. Trinity, a human who's never stepped foot off her family's farm. Umrik, a drunk dwarf running from his demons. Sorn, a dark elf trying to survive in a world that despises him. Diris, an elf who feels that she's never belonged. And Blue, a mute and blind draconid with a dark secret. Will these five save Riverhead? Or will they fall in the face of a blood thirsty beast of ice and snow? Garrett Hallum's debut novel and the first in the epic Fantasy Adventure known as *The Madcap Series*. This story promises to be a thrilling journey that the reader won't forget for a very long time.

Blessings Jan 30 2023 *Blessings: Adventures of a Madcap Christian Scientist* follows the author as she uses her understanding of the power of Good, God (Life, Truth, and Love), to overcome life's challenges. We follow the "Lucy Ricardo of Christian Scientists" as she climbs Mount Rainier, gets herself in a "bit of a fix" in the Grand Canyon, participates in an impromptu "peace summit" at Heathrow Airport, meets her husband, discovers the joys of motherhood, and finds her home.

100 Boyfriends May 10 2021 Winner of the 2022 Lambda Literary Award in Gay Fiction. A New York Times Book Review Editors' Choice. Longlisted for the 2022 Mark Twain American Voice in Literature Award and the 2021 Brooklyn Public Library Literary Prize. One of BuzzFeed's Best LGBTQ+ Books of 2021, NBC's 10 Most Notable LGBTQ Books of 2021, and Pink News' Best LGBTQ Books of 2021. "This hurricane of delirious, lonely, lewd tales is a taxonomy and grand unified theory of the boyfriend, in every tense." —Parul Sehgal, The New York Times "I loved this book—raunchy, irreverent, deliberate, sexy, angry, and tender, in its own way." —Roxane Gay An irreverent, sensitive, and inimitable look at gay dysfunction through the eyes of a cult hero Transgressive, foulmouthed, and brutally funny, Brontez Purnell's *100 Boyfriends* is a revelatory spiral into the imperfect lives of queer men desperately fighting the urge to self-sabotage. As they tiptoe through minefields of romantic, substance-fueled misadventure—from dirty warehouses and gentrified bars in Oakland to desolate farm towns in Alabama—Purnell's characters strive for belonging in a world that dismisses them for being Black, broke, and queer. In spite of it—or perhaps because of it—they shine. Armed with a deadpan wit, Purnell finds humor in even the darkest of nadirs with the peerless zeal, insight, and horniness of a gay punk messiah. Together, the slice-of-life tales that

writhe within 100 Boyfriends are an inimitable tour of an unexposed queer underbelly. Holding them together is the vision of an iconoclastic storyteller, as fearless as he is human.

Rake's Progress Nov 08 2023 "The true story of how Rachel Johnson - born into one of Britain's most famous political families - tries and fails to get elected in the 2019 hard-fought effort to stop Brexit, running against her older brother, Boris, and what she learns in the process about politics, ambition, family, marriage, and winning and losing"--

All the Time in the World Jun 22 2022 From a master of modern American letters comes an enthralling collection of brilliant short fiction about people who, as E. L. Doctorow notes in his Preface, are somehow "distinct from their surroundings—people in some sort of contest with the prevailing world." Containing six unforgettable stories that have never appeared in book form, and a selection of previous classics, *All the Time in the World* is resonant with the mystery, tension, and moral investigation that distinguish the fiction of E. L. Doctorow.

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Winnie's Madcap Mishaps Dec 29 2022 Abracadabra! When Winnie starts waving her wand around she can change Wilbur from black to green, turn her broomstick into a bicycle, and even magic winter into summer. This fantastic volume brings together three of Winnie and Wilbur's maddest mishaps: Winnie the Witch, Winnie Flies Again and Winnie in Winter.

Change Is the Only Constant Sep 06 2023 The next book from Ben Orlin, the popular math blogger and author of the underground bestseller *Math With Bad Drawings*. *Change Is The Only Constant* is an engaging and eloquent exploration of the intersection between calculus and daily life, complete with Orlin's sly humor and wonderfully bad drawings. *Change is the Only Constant* is an engaging and eloquent exploration of the intersection between calculus and daily life, complete with Orlin's sly humor and memorably bad drawings. By spinning 28 engaging mathematical tales, Orlin shows us that calculus is simply another language to express the very things we humans grapple with every day -- love, risk, time, and most importantly, change. Divided into two parts, "Moments" and "Eternities," and drawing on everyone from Sherlock Holmes to Mark Twain to David Foster Wallace, *Change is the Only Constant* unearths connections between calculus, art, literature, and a beloved dog named Elvis. This is not just math for math's sake; it's math for the sake of becoming a wiser and more thoughtful human.

Flapper Dec 09 2023 Examining the lives of Lois Long, Coco Chanel, Zelda Fitzgerald, Clara Bow, and other Jazz Age luminaries, a fascinating social history traces the evolution of the new woman of the 1920s and the making of modern culture. Reprint. 15,000 first printing.

The Book of Mr. Natural Apr 20 2022 Over 100 pages of vintage Crumb comics starring the white-bearded, diminutive sage-cum-charlatan Mr Natural, ranging from charming, freewheeling early 1970s stories to the disturbing, controversial 1990s stories, including the entire 40-page 'Mr

Natural and Devil Girl' epic. Crumb's Mr. Natural is probably the most famous underground character of all, meaning readers will not want to miss the chance to snatch up this jam-packed collection from one of the all-time masters.

Who Are You, Calvin Bledsoe? Jan 18 2022 "A story in which anything and everything can happen, and mostly does. This is a book of many trips—across oceans, back to the past, and, most profoundly, into the infinite deep space of the human heart. Brock Clarke has given us a wonderful novel that bursts with all the meaty stuff of real life." —Ben Fountain, author of *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk* Calvin Bledsoe's journey begins with the death of his mother. An internationally known theologian and an expert on all things John Calvin, she had been the dominant force in her son's existence, so much so that he never left home—even when he married—and, as a result, never grew up. At his mother's funeral, Calvin is introduced to his aunt Beatrice, a woman he had not even known existed. Beatrice immediately makes it clear to Calvin that she is now in charge of his life, and the first thing she is going to do is whisk him off to Europe with her for a grand adventure. As Calvin and his aunt traverse the continent, it becomes apparent that her clandestine behavior is leading him into danger. Facing a menagerie of antiquities thieves, secret agents, religious fanatics, and an ex-wife who is stalking him, Calvin begins to suspect there might be some meaning behind the madness. Maybe he's not the person he thought he was? Perhaps no one is ever who they appear to be? But there's little time for soul-searching, as Calvin first has to figure out why he has been kidnapped, why his aunt has disappeared, and who the hell burned down his house in Maine. Powered by pitch-perfect dialogue, lovable characters, and surprising optimism, *Who Are You, Calvin Bledsoe?* is a modern-day take on Graham Greene's classic *Travels with My Aunt*, a novel about grabbing life, and holding on—wherever it may take you.

The Heroine, Or, Adventures of Cherubina Apr 08 2021

Still Here Apr 13 2024 One of *The New Yorker's* favorite nonfiction book of 2019 | A *New York Times* Book Review Editors' Choice Named one of *Vogue's* "17 Books We Can't Wait to Read This Fall" "Compulsively readable . . . ravenously consuming . . . manna from heaven . . . If ever someone knew how to put a genuinely irresistible book together, it's *Jacobs in Still Here*." —Jeff Simon, *The Buffalo News* *Still Here* is the first full telling of Elaine Stritch's life. Rollicking but intimate, it tracks one of Broadway's great personalities from her upbringing in Detroit during the Great Depression to her fateful move to New York City, where she studied alongside Marlon Brando, Bea Arthur, and Harry Belafonte. We accompany Elaine through her jagged rise to fame, to Hollywood and London, and across her later years, when she enjoyed a stunning renaissance, punctuated by a turn on the popular television show *30 Rock*. We explore the influential—and often fraught—collaborations she developed with Noël Coward, Tennessee Williams, and above all Stephen Sondheim, as well as her courageous yet flawed attempts to control a serious drinking problem. And we see the entertainer triumphing over personal turmoil with the development of her Tony Award-winning one-woman show, *Elaine Stritch at Liberty*, which established her as an emblem of spiky independence and Manhattan life for an entirely new generation of admirers. In *Still Here*, Alexandra Jacobs conveys the full force of Stritch's sardonic wit and brassy charm while acknowledging her many dark complexities. Following years of meticulous research and interviews, this is a portrait of a powerful, vulnerable, honest, and humorous figure who continues to reverberate in the public consciousness.

Flapper May 14 2024 *Flapper* is a dazzling look at the women who heralded a radical change in American culture and launched the first truly modern decade. The New Woman of the 1920s puffed cigarettes, snuck gin, hiked her hemlines, danced the Charleston, and necked in roadsters. More important, she earned her own keep, controlled her own destiny, and secured liberties that modern women take for granted. *Flapper* is an inside look at the 1920s. With tales of Coco Chanel, the French orphan who redefined the feminine form; Lois Long, the woman who christened herself "Lipstick" and gave *New Yorker* readers a thrilling entrée into Manhattan's extravagant Jazz Age nightlife; three of America's first celebrities:

Clara Bow, Colleen Moore, and Louise Brooks; Dallas-born fashion artist Gordon Conway; Zelda and Scott Fitzgerald, whose swift ascent and spectacular fall embodied the glamour and excess of the era; and more, this is the story of America's first sexual revolution, its first merchants of cool, its first celebrities, and its most sparkling advertisement for the right to pursue happiness. Whisking us from the Alabama country club where Zelda Sayre first caught the eye of F. Scott Fitzgerald to Muncie, Indiana, where would-be flappers begged their mothers for silk stockings, to the Manhattan speakeasies where patrons partied till daybreak, historian Joshua Zeitz brings the 1920s to exhilarating life.

The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao (Pulitzer Prize Winner) Sep 13 2021 Winner of: The Pulitzer Prize The National Book Critics Circle Award The Anisfield-Wolf Book Award The Jon Sargent, Sr. First Novel Prize A Time Magazine #1 Fiction Book of the Year One of the best books of 2007 according to: The New York Times, San Francisco Chronicle, New York Magazine, Entertainment Weekly, The Boston Globe, Los Angeles Times, The Washington Post, People, The Village Voice, Time Out New York, Salon, Baltimore City Paper, The Christian Science Monitor, Booklist, Library Journal, Publishers Weekly, New York Public Library, and many more... Nominated as one of America's best-loved novels by PBS's The Great American Read Oscar is a sweet but disastrously overweight ghetto nerd who—from the New Jersey home he shares with his old world mother and rebellious sister—dreams of becoming the Dominican J.R.R. Tolkien and, most of all, finding love. But Oscar may never get what he wants. Blame the fukú—a curse that has haunted Oscar's family for generations, following them on their epic journey from Santo Domingo to the USA. Encapsulating Dominican-American history, *The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao* opens our eyes to an astonishing vision of the contemporary American experience and explores the endless human capacity to persevere—and risk it all—in the name of love.

White Ethnic New York Jun 03 2023 Historians of postwar American politics often identify race as a driving force in the dynamically shifting political culture. Joshua Zeitz instead places religion and ethnicity at the fore, arguing that ethnic conflict among Irish Catholics, Italian Catholics, and Jews in New York City had a decisive impact on the shape of liberal politics long before black-white racial identity politics entered the political lexicon. Understanding ethnicity as an intersection of class, national origins, and religion, Zeitz demonstrates that the white ethnic populations of New York had significantly diverging views on authority and dissent, community and individuality, secularism and spirituality, and obligation and entitlement. New York Jews came from Eastern European traditions that valued dissent and encouraged political agitation; their Irish and Italian Catholic neighbors tended to value commitment to order, deference to authority, and allegiance to church and community. Zeitz argues that these distinctions ultimately helped fracture the liberal coalition of the Roosevelt era, as many Catholics bolted a Democratic Party increasingly focused on individual liberties, and many dissent-minded Jews moved on to the antiliberal New Left.

Madcap Mar 12 2024 Beautiful, charismatic, prodigiously talented, Syd Barrett in 1966 invented the British psychedelic scene - founding Pink Floyd, writing and singing on the band's first album - before collapsing into madness two years later.

What a Carve Up! Feb 28 2023 What a Carve Up! - a hilarious 1980s political satire by Jonathan Coe It is the 1980s and the Winshaw family are getting richer and crueller by the year: Newspaper-columnist Hilary gets thousands for telling it like it isn't; Henry's turning hospitals into car parks; Roddy's selling art in return for sex; down on the farm Dorothy's squeezing every last pound from her livestock; Thomas is making a killing on the stock exchange; and Mark is selling arms to dictators. But once their hapless biographer Michael Owen starts investigating the family's trail of greed, corruption and immoral doings, the time growing ripe for the Winshaws to receive their comeuppance. . . This wickedly funny take on life under the Thatcher government was the winner of the 1995 John Llewellyn Rhys Prize 'A sustained feat of humour, suspense and polemic, full of twists and ironies' Hilary Mantel, Sunday Times 'A riveting social satire on the chattering and all-powerful upper classes' Time Out 'Big, hilarious, intricate, furious, moving' Guardian Jonathan Coe's novels are filled with biting social commentary, moving and astute observations of life and hilarious set

pieces that have made him one of the most popular writers of his generation. His other titles, *The Accidental Woman*, *A Touch of Love*, *The Rotters' Club* (winner of the Everyman Wodehouse prize), *The Closed Circle*, *The Terrible Privacy of Maxwell Sim*, *The House of Sleep* (winner of the 1998 Prix Médicis Étranger), and *The Rain Before it Falls*, are all available in Penguin paperback.

House of Trelawney May 02 2023 From the author of *The Improbability of Love*: a dazzling novel both satirical and moving, about an eccentric, dysfunctional family of English aristocrats, and their crumbling stately home that reminds us how the lives and hopes of women can still be shaped by the ties of family and love. For more than seven hundred years, the vast, rambling Trelawney Castle in Cornwall--turrets, follies, a room for every day of the year, four miles of corridors and 500,000 acres--was the magnificent and grand "three dimensional calling card" of the earls of Trelawney. By 2008, it is in a complete state of ruin due to the dulled ambition and the financial ineptitude of the twenty-four earls, two world wars, the Wall Street crash, and inheritance taxes. Still: the heir to all of it, Kitto, his wife, Jane, their three children, their dog, Kitto's ancient parents, and his aunt Tuffy Scott, an entomologist who studies fleas, all manage to live there and keep it going. Four women dominate the story: Jane; Kitto's sister, Blaze, who left Trelawney and made a killing in finance in London, the wildly beautiful, seductive, and long-ago banished Anastasia and her daughter, Ayesha. When Anastasia sends a letter announcing that her nineteen-year-old daughter, Ayesha, will be coming to stay, the long-estranged Blaze and Jane must band together to take charge of their new visitor--and save the house of Trelawney. But both Blaze and Jane are about to discover that the house itself is really only a very small part of what keeps the family together.

I Take You Dec 17 2021 Meet Lily Wilder: New Yorker, lawyer extraordinaire, blushing bride. And totally incapable of being faithful to one man. Lily's fiancé Will is a brilliant, handsome archaeologist. Lily is sassy, impulsive, fond of a good drink (or five) and has no business getting married. Lily likes Will, but does she love him? Will loves Lily, but does he know her? As the wedding approaches, Lily's nights—and mornings, and afternoons—of booze, laughter and questionable decisions become a growing reminder that the happiest day of her life might turn out to be her worst mistake yet. Unapologetically sexy with the ribald humor of *Bridesmaids*, this joyously provocative debut introduces a self-assured protagonist you won't soon forget.