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*Anna Banana
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Houghton
Mifflin
Harcourt
Withdrawing
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tree house,
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Laurel Nicolson witnesses a shocking murder that throughout a subsequent half century shapes her beliefs, her acting career and the lives of three strangers from vastly different cultures. By the best-selling author of *The Distant Hours*. Reprint. 200,000 first printing. [How The Other Half Learns](#) Waveland Press Seventy lighthearted, much-loved

poems cover everything from books and imagination to friendship and the beauty of the natural world. Includes such notable poets as Lewis Carroll, Ogden Nash, and Marianne Moore. **Forty Acres and Maybe a Mule** Simon and Schuster *The Day Lincoln Was Shot* is a gripping, minute-by-minute account of April 14, 1865: the day President Abraham Lincoln was

tragically assassinated. It chronicles the movements of Lincoln and his assassin John Wilkes Booth during every movement of that fateful day. Author and journalist Jim Bishop has fashioned an unforgettable tale of tragedy, more gripping than fiction, more alive than any newspaper account. First published in 1955, *The Day Lincoln Was Shot* was a huge bestseller, and in 1998 it was made into a

TNT movie, with Rob Morrow as Booth. Turn Homeward, Hannalee Penguin Greg confronts his own fears and assumes a leadership role when his father is bitten by a rattlesnake during a white-water rafting trip. Steal Away Home Cambridge University Press Winner of the 1999 Scott O'Dell Award for Historical Fiction A CBC Notable Children's

Book in the Field of Social Studies Two recently freed, formerly enslaved brothers work to protect the new life they've built during the Reconstruction after the Civil War in this vibrant, illustrated middle grade novel. Maybe nobody gave freedom, and nobody could take it away like they could take away a family farm. Maybe freedom was something you claimed for yourself. Like other ex-slaves, Pascal

and his older brother Gideon have been promised forty acres and maybe a mule. With the found family they have built along the way, they claim a place of their own. Green Gloryland is the most wonderful place on earth, their own farm with a healthy cotton crop and plenty to eat. But the notorious night riders have plans to take it away, threatening to tear the beautiful

freedom that the two boys are enjoying for the first time in their young lives.

The Notebook

Grove Press
Ever since Tin can remember he's wanted to be an elephant trainer. At twelve years old, he's the youngest - and in his eyes the best - elephant handler in his village. Tin can think of nothing he'd rather do that spend all day with his elephant, Lady, looking after her and playing

together. But Tin's peaceful, idyllic life is changed dramatically when the Viet Cong attack his village and he finds himself held hostage by the terrifying soldiers who don't care if he lives or dies. Can Tin find the courage to escape from his captors and save not only his own life, but his precious elephants too?
Global Climate Change Impacts in the United States
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Winner of the 2020 Miles

Franklin Literary Award and 2021 Kate Challis RAKA Award! "A beautifully written novel that puts language at the heart of remembering the past and understanding the present."—Kate Morton "A groundbreaking novel for black and white Australia."—Richard Flanagan, Man Booker Prize winning author of *The Narrow Road to the Deep North* A young Australian woman searches for

her grandfather's dictionary, the key to halting a mining company from destroying her family's home and ancestral land in this exquisitely written, heartbreaking, yet hopeful novel of culture, language, tradition, suffering, and empowerment in the tradition of Louise Erdrich, Sandra Cisneros, and Amy Harmon. Knowing that he will soon die, Albert "Poppy" Gondiwindi has one final

task he must fulfill. A member of the indigenous Wiradjuri tribe, he has spent his adult life in Prosperous House and the town of Massacre Plains, a small enclave on the banks of the Murrumbidgee River. Before he takes his last breath, Poppy is determined to pass on the language of his people, the traditions of his ancestors, and everything that was ever remembered by those who came before

him. The land itself aids him; he finds the words on the wind. After his passing, Poppy's granddaughter, August, returns home from Europe, where she has lived the past ten years, to attend his burial. Her overwhelming grief is compounded by the pain, anger, and sadness of memory—of growing up in poverty before her mother's incarceration, of the racism she and her people endured, of the

mysterious disappearance of her sister when they were children; an event that has haunted her and changed her life. Her homecoming is bittersweet as she confronts the love of her kin and news that Prosperous is to be repossessed by a mining company. Determined to make amends and honor Poppy and her family, she vows to save their land—a quest guided by the voice of her grandfather

that leads into the past, the stories of her people, the secrets of the river. Told in three masterfully woven narratives, *The Yield* is a celebration of language and an exploration of what makes a place "home." A story of a people and a culture dispossessed, it is also a joyful reminder of what once was and what endures—a powerful reclaiming of Indigenous language, storytelling,

and identity, that offers hope for the future.

A Pocket Style Manual

Simon and Schuster
An inside look at America's most controversial charter schools, and the moral and political questions around public education and school choice. The promise of public education is excellence for all. But that promise has seldom been kept for low-income children of color in America. In

How the Other Half Learns, teacher and education journalist Robert Pondiscio focuses on Success Academy, the network of controversial charter schools in New York City founded by Eva Moskowitz, who has created something unprecedented in American education: a way for large numbers of engaged and ambitious low-income families of color to get an education for their children that equals and even exceeds what wealthy families take for granted. Her results are astonishing, her methods unorthodox. Decades of well-intended efforts to improve our schools and close the "achievement gap" have set equity and excellence at war with each other: If you are wealthy, with the means to pay private school tuition or move to an affluent community, you can get your child into an excellent school. But if you are poor and black or brown, you have to settle for "equity" and a lecture--about fairness. About the need to be patient. And about how school choice for you only damages public schools for everyone else. Thousands of parents have chosen Success Academy, and thousands more sit on waiting lists to get in. But Moskowitz herself admits

Success Academy "is not for everyone," and this raises uncomfortable questions we'd rather not ask, let alone answer: What if the price of giving a first-rate education to children least likely to receive it means acknowledging that you can't do it for everyone? What if some problems are just too hard for schools alone to solve?

The Expatriates
Univ. of Queensland

Press
One of The Christian Science Monitor's Ten Best Books of May "A highly original work of history . . . [Saltzman] has written a distinctive study that transcends both art and history and forces us to explore the connections between the two." —Roger Lowenstein, The Wall Street Journal
A captivating study of Napoleon's plundering of Europe's art for the Louvre, told through

the story of a Renaissance masterpiece seized from Venice
Cynthia Saltzman's *Plunder* recounts the fate of Paolo Veronese's *Wedding Feast at Cana*, a vast, sublime canvas that the French, under the command of the young Napoleon Bonaparte, tore from a wall of the monastery of San Giorgio Maggiore, on an island in Venice, in 1797. Painted in 1563 during the

Renaissance, the picture was immediately hailed as a masterpiece. Veronese had filled the scene with some 130 figures, lavishing color on the canvas to build the illusion that the viewers' space opened onto a biblical banquet taking place on a terrace in sixteenth-century Venice. Once pulled from the wall, the Venetian canvas crossed the Mediterranean rolled on a cylinder; soon after, artworks commandeered from Venice and Rome were triumphantly brought into Paris. In 1801, the Veronese went on exhibition at the Louvre, the new public art museum founded during the Revolution in the former palace of the French kings. As Saltzman tells the larger story of Napoleon's looting of Italian art and its role in the creation of the Louvre, she reveals the contradictions of his character: his thirst for greatness—to carry forward the finest aspects of civilization—and his ruthlessness in getting whatever he sought. After Napoleon's 1815 defeat at Waterloo, the Duke of Wellington and the Allies forced the French to return many of the Louvre's plundered paintings and sculptures. Nevertheless, *The Wedding Feast at Cana* remains in Paris to this day, hanging

directly across from the Mona Lisa. Expertly researched and deftly told, *Plunder* chronicles one of the most spectacular art appropriation campaigns in history, one that sheds light on a seminal historical figure and the complex origins of one of the great museums of the world.

Moonshiners
Son Los Alamos Historical Society Publications
 Anna Banana's fearlessness

inspires a playmate to face his own fears.
Plain Girl
 Houghton Mifflin Harcourt
 The inspiration for *Expats*, a new series starring Nicole Kidman coming soon to Prime Video.
 “Devastating and heartwarming, and exquisite in every way, this is a book you’ll fall deeply in love with and never want to put down.”
 —Kevin Kwan, author of *Crazy Rich Asians*
 From the New York

Times bestselling author of *The Piano Teacher*, a searing novel of marriage, motherhood, and the search for connection far from home. In the glittering city of Hong Kong, expats arrive daily for myriad reasons—to find or lose themselves in a foreign place, and to forget or remake themselves far from home. Amidst this hothouse atmosphere, a tragic incident causes three American

women's lives
to collide in
ways that will
rewrite every
assumption of
their
privileged
world: Mercy,
a young
Korean
American and
recent
Columbia
graduate,
once again
finds herself
compromised
and adrift,
trying to start
her life anew;
Hilary, a
wealthy
housewife, is
haunted by
her struggle to
have a child,
hoping to save
her uncertain
marriage;
meanwhile,
Margaret,
once the

enviable
mother of
three, tries to
negotiate an
existence that
has become
utterly
unrecognizabl
e after a
catastrophic
event. Faced
with
unthinkable
choices, these
three women
form a
profound
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that defies the
norms of the
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nding in each
other a
strength
borne of need,
forgiveness,
and ultimately
hope.
Atmospheric
and utterly
compelling,

The
Expatriates
showcases
Lee's
exceptional
talent as one
of our keenest
observers of
women's inner
lives.
Baby No-eyes
Bedford Books
Twelve-year-
old Edward
thought of
Simon as his
friend and
never
imagined life
without his
companion
and slave. But
when the
Union army
invades
Virginia and
takes over
Edward's
family's
plantation,
Edward's
family flees to

nearby Petersburg, while Simon runs toward freedom. With terrific detail and historical facts woven throughout, the author crafts a story set during the actual siege at Petersburg, complete with battle scenes, descriptions of army life on both sides of the war, and what life was like, told from the point of view of two young boys--one white and one black.

Captain Kate

HarperCollins
As he works with his father making

moonshine in the remote hills of Virginia during Prohibition, twelve-year-old Tom Higgins learns about hard work and honesty as he is forced to question his own notions of morality.

Reprint.

Magic

Toyshop B

Penguin
Having no money, a thirteen-year-old begins a series of swaps to get the child he babysits for a pair of cowboy boots in this sweet novel from the author of

Tangled Webb.

Foster's War

Yearling
When his older brother joins the army during World War II in order to escape the rages of an authoritarian father, eleven-year-old Foster fights his battles on the homefront.

The

Seventeenth

Swap
Perfection
Learning
After Cam's father gives him a cardboard box for his birthday, they fashion it into a man that comes to life,

but things spin out of control when a bully steals a scrap of the cardboard to create creatures that disobey his orders and multiply into an army.

In the Fog of the Seasons'

End Farrar, Straus and Giroux (BYR) A biography of the nineteenth-century Frenchman who, having been blinded himself at the age of three, went on to develop a system of raised dots on paper that enabled blind

people to read and write.

The Yield HarperCollins Publishers This major novel merges contemporary headlines with stories of a heartfelt family history. 'Do you hear the people calling?' 'No.' 'See there, dummy, you're nowhere near dead.' 'Well, I don't believe you. How would you know?' 'Of course I know, I do, I do, I know all about it . . .' Tawera and his sister are inseparable, in a relationship

that is impossible for others to share. In fact his whole whanau is bonded by secrets, a genealogy stitched together by shame, joy, love and sometimes grief. This is an account of the mysteries that operate at many levels between generations, where the present is the pivot, the centre of the spiral, looking outward to the past and future that define it. There's a way the older

people have of telling a story, a way where the beginning is not the beginning, the end is not the end . . .

Across the Lines Simon and Schuster A firsthand exploration of the cost of boarding the bus of change to move America forward—written by one of the Civil Rights Movement's pioneers. At 18, Charles Person was the youngest of the original Freedom Riders, key figures in the U.S. Civil

Rights Movement who left Washington, D.C. by bus in 1961, headed for New Orleans. This purposeful mix of black and white, male and female activists—including future Congressman John Lewis, Congress of Racial Equality Director James Farmer, Reverend Benjamin Elton Cox, journalist and pacifist James Peck, and CORE field secretary Genevieve Hughes—set out to

discover whether America would abide by a Supreme Court decision that ruled segregation unconstitutional in bus depots, waiting areas, restaurants, and restrooms nationwide. Two buses proceeded through Virginia, North and South Carolina, to Georgia where they were greeted by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and finally to Alabama. There, the Freedom Riders found their answer:

No. Southern states would continue to disregard federal law and use violence to enforce racial segregation. One bus was burned to a shell, its riders narrowly escaping; the second, which Charles rode, was set upon by a mob that beat several riders nearly to death.

Buses Are a Comin' provides a front-row view of the struggle to belong in America, as Charles Person accompanies his colleagues off the bus, into the station, into the mob, and into history to help defeat segregation's violent grip on African American

lives. It is also a challenge from a teenager of a previous era to the young people of today: become agents of transformation . Stand firm. Create a more just and moral country where students have a voice, youth can make a difference, and everyone belongs.