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Sparring  
Partners  
Vintage  
Crime/Black  
Lizard

From the New  
York Times  
bestselling  
author comes  
a novel in  
which  
dedicated, if  
somewhat  
demented,  
environmental  
ists battle

sleazy real  
estate  
developers in  
the Florida  
Keys. "Rips,  
zips, hurtles,  
keeping us  
turning the  
pages at  
breakfinger  
pace." —New

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| <p>York Times Book Review When the precious clue-tongued mango voles at the Amazing Kingdom of Thrills on North Key Largo are stolen by heartless, ruthless thugs, Joe Winder wants to uncover why, and find the voles. Joe is lately a PR man for the Amazing Kingdom theme park, but now that the voles are gone, Winder is dragged along in their wake through a series of</p> | <p>weird and lethal events that begin with the sleazy real-estate agent/villain Francis X. Kingsbury and can end only one way.... <i>War is a Racket</i> Hodder &amp; Stoughton A novel about a jailed attorney, whose advice is sought in the investigation of a judge's murder. <u>The Gangs of New York</u> Ten Speed Press THE #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING JACK REACHER SERIES THAT INSPIRED TWO</p> | <p>MAJOR MOTION PICTURES AND THE STREAMING SERIES REACHER The ultimate Jack Reacher experience: a thrilling new novella and eleven previously published stories, together for the first time in one pulse-pounding collection from Lee Child. No Middle Name begins with "Too Much Time," a brand-new work of short fiction that finds Reacher in a hollowed-</p> |
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out town in Maine, where he witnesses a random bag-snatching but sees much more than a simple crime. “Small Wars” takes readers back to 1989, when Reacher is an MP assigned to solve the brutal murder of a young officer found along an isolated forest road in Georgia—and whose killer may be hiding in plain sight. In “Not a Drill,” Reacher tries to take some downtime, but a pleasant hike in Maine

turns into a walk on the wild side—and perhaps something far more sinister. “High Heat” time-hops to 1977, when Reacher is a teenager in sweltering New York City during a sudden blackout that awakens the dark side of the city that never sleeps. Okinawa is the setting of “Second Son,” which reveals the pivotal moment when young Reacher’s sharp “lizard brain” becomes just as important

as his muscle. In “Deep Down,” Reacher tracks down a spy by matching wits with four formidable females—three of whom are clean, but the fourth may prove fatal. Rounding out the collection are “Guy Walks into a Bar,” “James Penney’s New Identity,” “Everyone Talks,” “The Picture of the Lonely Diner,” “Maybe They Have a Tradition,” and “No Room at the Motel.” No suitcase. No

destination.  
 No middle  
 name. No  
 matter how  
 far Reacher  
 travels off the  
 beaten path,  
 trouble always  
 finds him. Feel  
 bad for  
 trouble. Praise  
 for No Middle  
 Name  
 “Captivating .  
 . . classic  
 [Lee] Child . . .  
 This volume  
 demonstrates  
 what his fans  
 already know:  
 he’s a born  
 storyteller and  
 an astute  
 observer.”—P  
 ublishers  
 Weekly  
 (starred  
 review) “Lee  
 Child, like his  
 creation,  
 always knows  
 exactly what

he’s  
 doing—and he  
 does it well.  
 Time in his  
 company is  
 never  
 wasted.”—Eve  
 ning Standard  
**The  
 Chamber**  
 Vintage  
 #1 NEW YORK  
 TIMES  
 BESTSELLER •  
 Until that  
 September of  
 1952, Luke  
 Chandler had  
 never kept a  
 secret or told  
 a single lie.  
 But in the  
 long, hot  
 summer of his  
 seventh year,  
 two groups of  
 migrant  
 workers —  
 and two very  
 dangerous  
 men — came  
 through the

Arkansas  
 Delta to work  
 the Chandler  
 cotton farm.  
 And suddenly  
 mysteries are  
 flooding  
 Luke’s world.  
 A brutal  
 murder leaves  
 the town  
 seething in  
 gossip and  
 suspicion. A  
 beautiful  
 young woman  
 ignites  
 forbidden  
 passions. A  
 fatherless  
 baby is born  
 ... and  
 someone has  
 begun  
 furtively  
 painting the  
 bare  
 clapboards of  
 the Chandler  
 farmhouse,  
 slowly,  
 painstakingly,

bathing the run-down structure in gleaming white. And as young Luke watches the world around him, he unravels secrets that could shatter lives — and change his family and his town forever....

*Suspended Sentences*  
Penguin

An Apache hit man arrives in Paradise to find a missing girl and sniff out her mother. But his conscience is getting the best of him. If he doesn't make the hit,

he'll pay for it. So might Jesse Stone, who's been enlisted to protect them all.

**No Middle Name** Vintage

War Is a Racket is a speech and a 1935 short book, by Smedley D. Butler, a retired United States Marine Corps Major General and two-time Medal of Honor recipient. Based on his career military experience, Butler frankly discusses how business interests commercially benefit

(including war profiteering) from warfare. He had been appointed commanding officer of the Gendarmerie during the United States occupation of Haiti, which lasted from 1915 to 1934.

[The Way You Look Tonight](#)  
Vintage

In this essential trilogy of novellas by the winner of the 2014 Nobel Prize in Literature, French author Patrick Modiano reaches back in time, opening the corridors of

memory and exploring the mysteries to be encountered there. Each novella in the volume-- Afterimage, Suspended Sentences, and Flowers of Ruin—represents a sterling example of the author's originality and appeal, while Mark Polizzotti's superb English-language translations capture not only Modiano's distinctive narrative voice but also the matchless grace and

spare beauty of his prose. Although originally published separately, Modiano's three novellas form a single, compelling whole, haunted by the same gauzy sense of place and characters. Modiano draws on his own experiences, blended with the real or invented stories of others, to present a dreamlike autobiography that is also the biography of a place. Orphaned

children, mysterious parents, forgotten friends, enigmatic strangers—each appears in this three-part love song to a Paris that no longer exists. Shadowed by the dark period of the Nazi Occupation, these novellas reveal Modiano's fascination with the lost, obscure, or mysterious: a young person's confusion over adult behavior; the repercussions of a chance encounter; the

search for a missing father; the aftershock of a fatal affair. To read Modiano's trilogy is to enter his world of uncertainties and the almost accidental way in which people find their fates. The Associate Anchor #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • Investigator Lacy Stoltz follows the trail of a serial killer, and closes in on a shocking suspect—a sitting judge—in “one

of the best crime reads of the year.... Bristling with high-tech detail and shivering with suspense.... Worth staying up all night to finish” (Wall Street Journal). In *The Whistler*, Lacy Stoltz investigated a corrupt judge who was taking millions in bribes from a crime syndicate. She put the criminals away, but only after being attacked and nearly killed. Three years later, and approaching forty, she is

tired of her work for the Florida Board on Judicial Conduct and ready for a change. Then she meets a mysterious woman who is so frightened she uses a number of aliases. Jeri Crosby's father was murdered twenty years earlier in a case that remains unsolved and that has grown stone cold. But Jeri has a suspect whom she has become obsessed with and has stalked for two decades.

Along the way, she has discovered other victims. Suspicions are easy enough, but proof seems impossible. The man is brilliant, patient, and always one step ahead of law enforcement. He is the most cunning of all serial killers. He knows forensics, police procedure, and most important: he knows the law. He is a judge, in Florida—under Lacy’s jurisdiction. He has a list,

with the names of his victims and targets, all unsuspecting people unlucky enough to have crossed his path and wronged him in some way. How can Lacy pursue him, without becoming the next name on his list? The Judge’s List is by any measure John Grisham’s most surprising, chilling novel yet. Don’t miss John Grisham’s new book, *THE EXCHANGE: AFTER THE FIRM*, coming

soon!  
*Priest of Bones*  
 McClelland & Stewart  
 The New York Times  
 Bestseller  
 What if everything you think you know about addiction is wrong? Johann Hari’s journey into the heart of the war on drugs led him to ask this question--and to write the book that gave rise to his viral TED talk, viewed more than 62 million times, and inspired the feature film *The United States vs. Billie*



Holiday and the documentary series *The Fix*. One of Johann Hari's earliest memories is of trying to wake up one of his relatives and not being able to. As he grew older, he realized he had addiction in his family. Confused, not knowing what to do, he set out and traveled over 30,000 miles over three years to discover what really causes addiction--and what really solves it. He uncovered a range of remarkable

human stories--of how the war on drugs began with Billie Holiday, the great jazz singer, being stalked and killed by a racist policeman; of the scientist who discovered the surprising key to addiction; and of the countries that ended their own war on drugs--with extraordinary results. *Chasing the Scream* is the story of a life-changing journey that transformed the addiction debate

internationally --and showed the world that the opposite of addiction is connection. [The Glass Key](#) Vintage 'Something terrible is happening here. Something terrible has already happened.' Kie v 1992. Rachel, a troubled young English mother, joins her journalist husband on his first foreign posting in the city. Terrified of the apartment's balcony, she develops obsessive

rituals to keep their baby safe. Her difficulties expose her to a disturbing endgame between the elderly caretaker and a local racketeer who sends a gift that surely comes with a price. Rachel is isolated yet culpable with her secrets and estrangements. As consequences bear down she seeks out Zoya, her husband's fixer, and the boy from upstairs who watches them all. Home is

uncertain, betrayal is everywhere, but in the end there are many ways to be a mother.

### **The**

### **Racketeer**

HarperCollins In this classic thriller, two American tourists find more adventure than they bargained for when they get involved with Chinese gun smugglers and Muslim revolutionaries, learning first hand about the intrigue of the post-colonial world. Greg and Dorothy Nilsen had

wanted to go on an adventurous trip, see some of the more out-of-the-way places. But the cruise they were on was turning out to be a bore. So when the gracious Mr. Tan requests that Greg take a side trip to Singapore to resolve a bureaucratic detail involving a consignment of small arms, Greg is surprisingly receptive. All he has to do is sign some papers, he's told, and he'll be paid a

handsome fee. And everything does go smoothly, until it comes to getting a check co-signed by the rebel leader... *Defending Jacob* Anchor #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • John Grisham is the acknowledged master of the legal thriller. In his first collection of novellas, law is a common thread, but America's favorite storyteller has several surprises in store. "Homecoming

" takes us back to Ford County, the fictional setting of many of John Grisham's unforgettable stories. Jake Brigance is back, but he's not in the courtroom. He's called upon to help an old friend, Mack Stafford, a former lawyer in Clanton, who three years earlier became a local legend when he stole money from his clients, divorced his wife, filed for bankruptcy, and left his family in the

middle of the night, never to be heard from again—until now. Now Mack is back, and he's leaning on his old pals, Jake and Harry Rex, to help him return. His homecoming does not go as planned. In "Strawberry Moon," we meet Cody Wallace, a young death row inmate only three hours away from execution. His lawyers can't save him, the courts slam the door, and the governor says no to a

last-minute request for clemency. As the clock winds down, Cody has one final request. The “Sparring Partners” are the Malloy brothers, Kirk and Rusty, two successful young lawyers who inherited a once prosperous firm when its founder, their father, was sent to prison. Kirk and Rusty loathe each other, and speak to each other only when necessary. As the firm disintegrates, the resulting fiasco falls

into the lap of Diantha Bradshaw, the only person the partners trust. Can she save the Malloys, or does she take a stand for the first time in her career and try to save herself? By turns suspenseful, hilarious, powerful, and moving, these are three of the greatest stories John Grisham has ever told. Don’t miss John Grisham’s new book, **THE EXCHANGE: AFTER THE FIRM**, coming soon!

**A Painted House** Open Road Media  
An IRA hit man is on the run and out for redemption in this novel from the New York Times–bestselling author of *The Eagle Has Landed* and *Dark Justice*. Martin Fallon has more blood on his hands than any man has a right to. And once upon a time he had no problem with that, killing for his IRA brethren without remorse or regret. But when a

mistake leads to the explosion of a school bus full of children, Fallon flees to London to hide with his guilt. His seclusion is broken when he agrees to make one last killing on behalf of the criminal Meehan brothers—and that may be his greatest mistake. For the hit is witnessed by a priest—and now the Meehans want him dead, too. But Fallon has had enough innocent blood. In a desperate

struggle for his soul, Fallon must protect the clergyman while fighting not only the ruthless Meehans but also his former IRA comrades who have decided that Fallon himself needs to be silenced. For decades, Jack Higgins has delivered edge-of-the-seat thrills for millions of fans all over the world, and has truly earned his status as “the master” of international action and intrigue (Tom Clancy). A Prayer for the

Dying is the 2nd book in the Martin Fallon Novels, but you may enjoy reading the series in any order. *Bleachers* Anchor #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • After leaving a fast-track legal career and going on a serious bender, David Zinc is sober, unemployed, and desperate enough to take a job at Finley & Figg, a self-described “boutique law firm” that is anything but. Oscar Finley and Wally Figg

are in fact just two ambulance chasers who bicker like an old married couple. But now the firm is ready to tackle a case that could make the partners rich—without requiring them to actually practice much law. A class action suit has been brought against Varrick Labs, a pharmaceutical giant with annual sales of \$25 billion, alleging that Krayoxx, its most popular drug, causes heart attacks.

Wally smells money. All Finley & Figg has to do is find a handful of Krayoxx users to join the suit. It almost seems too good to be true ... and it is. Don't miss John Grisham's new book, THE EXCHANGE: AFTER THE FIRM! Make Room! Make Room! Vintage AN ORIGINAL E-SHORT • This standalone prequel to the #1 bestseller *Rogue Lawyer* tells the story of how Sebastian Rudd finally

found someone he could trust to be his driver, bodyguard, law clerk, and partner. Sebastian Rudd, rogue lawyer, defends people other lawyers won't go near. It's controversial and dangerous work, which is why Sebastian needs his bodyguard/assistant/sidekick : Partner. So if Sebastian is just about the most unpopular lawyer in town, why is Partner so loyal to him? How did they

meet? And what's the real story of this man of few words who's as good with a gun as he is with the law? The surprising answers are all in **PARTNERS**, John Grisham's first exclusively digital short story. Don't miss John Grisham's new book, **THE EXCHANGE: AFTER THE FIRM**, coming soon! [K: A History of Baseball in Ten Pitches](#) Penguin Theodore Boone is back on the case in an all-new

adventure! Bestselling author John Grisham delivers a page-turning legal thriller for a new generation of readers. Theo has been worried about his good friend Woody Lambert. Woody is struggling at school and making bad choices. But when Woody is arrested—an unwitting accomplice to armed robbery—Theo knows he is innocent. Racing the clock while Woody sits in

jail, Theo will do everything in his power to help his friend and save Woody from an unforgiving system where justice is not equal for all. Brimming with the intrigue and suspense that made John Grisham a #1 international bestseller and undisputed master of the modern legal thriller, Theodore Boone's trials and triumphs will keep readers hooked until the very last page. [The Two Faces of January](#)

Doubleday  
 "The first in an  
 unmissable  
 series, Priest  
 of Bones is a  
 fresh and  
 compelling  
 take on  
 grimdark  
 fantasy.  
 Mashing  
 together  
 soldiers,  
 gangsters,  
 magic and war  
 into a heady  
 mix that is a  
 hulking big  
 brother to The  
 Lies of Locke  
 Lamora."--  
 Anna  
 Stephens,  
 author of  
 Godblind The  
 war is over,  
 and army  
 priest Tomas  
 Piety heads  
 home with  
 Sergeant  
 Bloody Anne

at his side.  
 But things  
 have changed  
 while he was  
 away: his  
 crime empire  
 has been  
 stolen and the  
 people of  
 Ellinburg--his  
 people--have  
 run out of food  
 and hope and  
 places to hide.  
 Tomas sets  
 out to reclaim  
 what was his  
 with help from  
 Anne, his  
 brother,  
 Jochan, and  
 his new gang:  
 the Pious Men.  
 But when he  
 finds himself  
 dragged into a  
 web of  
 political  
 intrigue once  
 again,  
 everything  
 gets more

complicated.  
 As the Pious  
 Men fight  
 shadowy  
 foreign  
 infiltrators in  
 the back-  
 street taverns,  
 brothels, and  
 gambling dens  
 of Tomas's old  
 life, it  
 becomes  
 clear: The war  
 is only just  
 beginning.  
**Chasing the  
 Scream**  
 Jovian Press  
 #1 NEW YORK  
 TIMES  
 BESTSELLER •  
 Michael Brock  
 is billing the  
 hours, making  
 the money,  
 rushing  
 relentlessly to  
 the top of  
 Drake &  
 Sweeney, a  
 giant D.C. law



firm. One step away from partnership, Michael has it all. Then, in an instant, it all comes undone. A homeless man takes nine lawyers hostage in the firm's plush offices. When it is all over, the man's blood is splattered on Michael's face—and suddenly Michael is willing to do the unthinkable. Rediscovering a conscience he lost long ago, Michael is leaving the big time for the streets

where his attacker once lived—and where society's powerless need an advocate for justice. But there's one break Michael can't make: from a secret that has floated up from the depths of Drake & Sweeney, from a confidential file that is now in Michael's hands, and from a conspiracy that has already taken lives. Now Michael's former partners are

about to become his bitter enemies. Because to them, Michael Brock is the most dangerous man on the streets. Don't miss John Grisham's new book, **THE EXCHANGE: AFTER THE FIRM**, coming soon!

**The Long Firm** Random House Incorporated  
**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER** •  
 "A legal thriller that's comparable to classics such as Scott Turow's *Presumed*

Innocent . . .  
 tragic and  
 shocking.”—A  
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 Press NOW AN  
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 NOMINATED  
 ORIGINAL  
 STREAMING  
 SERIES •  
 NAMED ONE  
 OF THE BEST  
 BOOKS OF  
 THE YEAR BY  
 Entertainment  
 Weekly •  
 Boston Globe  
 • Kansas City  
 Star Andy  
 Barber has  
 been an  
 assistant  
 district  
 attorney for  
 two decades.  
 He is  
 respected.  
 Admired in the  
 courtroom.  
 Happy at  
 home with the  
 loves of his

life: his wife,  
 Laurie, and  
 their teenage  
 son, Jacob.  
 Then Andy’s  
 quiet suburb  
 is stunned by  
 a shocking  
 crime: a  
 young boy  
 stabbed to  
 death in a  
 leafy park.  
 And an even  
 greater shock:  
 The accused is  
 Andy’s own  
 son—shy,  
 awkward,  
 mysterious  
 Jacob. Andy  
 believes in  
 Jacob’s  
 innocence.  
 Any parent  
 would. But the  
 pressure  
 mounts.  
 Damning  
 evidence.  
 Doubt. A  
 faltering

marriage. The  
 neighbors’  
 contempt. A  
 murder trial  
 that threatens  
 to obliterate  
 Andy’s family.  
 It is the  
 ultimate test  
 for any  
 parent: How  
 far would you  
 go to protect  
 your child? It  
 is a test of  
 devotion. A  
 test of how  
 well a parent  
 can know a  
 child. For  
 Andy Barber,  
 a man with an  
 iron will and a  
 dark secret, it  
 is a test of  
 guilt and  
 innocence in  
 the deepest  
 sense. How far  
 would you go?  
 Praise for  
 Defending

Jacob “A novel like this comes along maybe once a decade . . . a tour de force, a full-blooded legal thriller about a murder trial and the way it shatters a family. With its relentless suspense, its mesmerizing prose, and a shocking twist at the end, it’s every bit as good as Scott Turow’s great *Presumed Innocent*. But it’s also something more: an indelible domestic drama that calls to mind *Ordinary*

*People and We Need to Talk About Kevin*. A spellbinding and unforgettable literary crime novel.”—Joseph Finder  
 “Defending Jacob is smart, sophisticated, and suspenseful—capturing both the complexity and stunning fragility of family life.”—Lee Child  
 “Powerful . . . leaves you gasping breathlessly at each shocking revelation.”—Lisa Gardner  
 “Disturbing, complex, and

gripping, *Defending Jacob* is impossible to put down. William Landay is a stunning talent.”—Carla Neggers  
 “Riveting, suspenseful, and emotionally searing.”—Linwood Barclay  
**The Innocent Man** Yale University Press  
 London. The 1960s. The capital is swinging, but underneath the boomtown there’s a dark underbelly. Meet Harry Starks: club owner, racketeer,

porn king,  
 sociology  
 graduate and  
 keen Judy  
 Garland fan.  
 Harry's  
 business is  
 fronting  
 violence with  
 rough charm  
 and cheap  
 glamour;  
 putting the

frighteners on,  
 performing  
 menace while  
 trying to  
 desperately  
 trying to jump  
 the counter  
 into  
 legitimacy.  
 Five  
 characters tell  
 five tales that  
 combine in an

extraordinary  
 narrative that  
 is both an  
 explosively  
 paced thriller  
 and brilliantly  
 imagined  
 sociological  
 and  
 topographical  
 portrait of  
 sixties  
 London.