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**My Fault** Harper Collins  
The Boon family and their indefatigable gallows humor are back in Benny Lindelauf's follow-up to *Nine Open Arms*. Poised to win a scholarship to the nearby teachers college, Fing has high hopes. It's 1938 and her poor family of nine--one father, four brothers, three sisters, and a grandmother--has finally managed to eke out a living in the tiny cigar factory abutting their dilapidated home. But smelling success, her dreamer of a father is determined to expand and Fing's dreams fall apart when she instead has to

go to work for the Cigar Emperor, taking care of his new, German wife's eccentric niece. The novel's gripping language, enriched by Yiddish, German, and Dutch dialect, plunges the reader into the world of a large, colorful, motherless family as they navigate the changes World War II visits upon their little town on the border of the Netherlands and Germany. This stand-alone follow-up to *Nine Open Arms*, a 2015 Batchelder Honor book translated from Dutch, is a fantasy, a historical novel, and literary fiction all wrapped into one. *The Two Hotel Francforts* Seven Stories Press  
Fielding Bliss has never forgotten the summer of

1984: the year a heat wave scorched Breathed, Ohio. The year he became friends with the devil. Sal seems to appear out of nowhere - a bruised and tattered thirteen-year-old boy claiming to be the devil himself answering an invitation. Fielding Bliss, the son of a local prosecutor, brings him home where he's welcomed into the Bliss family, assuming he's a runaway from a nearby farm town. When word spreads that the devil has come to Breathed, not everyone is happy to welcome this self-proclaimed fallen angel. Murmurs follow him and tensions rise, along with the temperatures as an unbearable heat wave rolls into town right along

with him. As strange accidents start to occur, riled by the feverish heat, some in the town start to believe that Sal is exactly who he claims to be. While the Bliss family wrestles with their own personal demons, a fanatic drives the town to the brink of a catastrophe that will change this sleepy Ohio backwater forever.

**Little Vampire** Little, Brown Books for Young Readers  
In an exuberant picture book, a glimpse of costumed mermaids leaves one boy flooded with wonder and ready to dazzle the world. While riding the subway home from the pool with his abuela one day, Julián notices three women spectacularly dressed up. Their hair billows in brilliant hues, their dresses end in fishtails, and their joy fills the train car. When Julián gets home, daydreaming of the magic he's seen, all he can think about is dressing up just like the ladies in his own fabulous mermaid costume: a butter-yellow curtain for his tail, the fronds of a potted fern for his headdress. But what will Abuela think about the mess he makes — and even more importantly,

what will she think about how Julián sees himself? Mesmerizing and full of heart, Jessica Love's author-illustrator debut is a jubilant picture of self-love and a radiant celebration of individuality.

The Magic Misfits Abrams  
Protagonists of the book are twelve women who tell their personal stories and their dramas from their jails. They were compelled to fight against me, who had betrayed or disappointed them, against social injustices or against hardship of life. From their words, their sad existential events come up, of which there had been protagonists. The resulting picture is a deep humanity. Some of these women had made serious crimes, while others had met the evil, but all of them can be considered victims of society, of prejudices, of misery. Their tragic stories touch the heart and come deep into the soul of the reader. A different chapter is the story of Sophia Loren's detention, who, in 1982, was prisoned in the jail of Caserta for seventeen days, because of tax evasion. The media hype, rose up by our special guest, brought a spot of colour inside the grey life

of the jail.

*I Love My Colorful Nails*  
Teen Fiction  
Named a Best Book of the Year for the Know-It-All by The Globe and Mail In this richly illustrated volume, a leading neurobiologist presents fascinating stories of plant migration that reveal unexpected connections between nature and culture. When we talk about migrations, we should study plants to understand that these phenomena are unstoppable. In the many different ways plants move, we can see the incessant action and drive to spread life that has led plants to colonize every possible environment on earth. The history of this relentless expansion is unknown to most people, but we can begin our exploration with these surprising tales, engagingly told by Stefano Mancuso. Generation after generation, using spores, seeds, or any other means available, plants move in the world to conquer new spaces. They release huge quantities of spores that can be transported thousands of miles. The number and variety of tools through which seeds spread is astonishing: we have seeds dispersed by wind,

by rolling on the ground, by animals, by water, or by a simple fall from the plant, which can happen thanks to propulsive mechanisms, the swaying of the mother plant, the drying of the fruit, and much more. In this accessible, absorbing overview, Mancuso considers how plants convince animals to transport them around the world, and how some plants need particular animals to spread; how they have been able to grow in places so inaccessible and inhospitable as to remain isolated; how they resisted the atomic bomb and the Chernobyl disaster; how they are able to bring life to sterile islands; how they can travel through the ages, as they sail around the world.

**The State of European Integration** You can print Book #3 in this fully illustrated, not-so-spooky chapter book series starring everyone's favorite little zombie Ghoulia, Auntie Departed, and Tragedy the greyhound are back for another adventure at Crumbling Manor! They're preparing for the annual Dead but Not Departed New Year's Eve party. A young ghost arrives, and

he seems to be fading away. Turns out, the ghost has forgotten his own name and is in danger of vanishing entirely—all because there's no one left alive who remembers him. Not on Ghoulia's watch! If she can help the ghost figure out his name, she'll be able to keep him safe. But will Ghoulia be able to discover the truth before it's too late? With all the hijinks and Tim Burton-style art that made Books #1 and #2 fan favorites, Book #3 is sure to deliver!

**Tow-Truck Pluck** Harper Collins

The State Opening of Parliament. The most magnificent royal occasion of the year. The Queen, her Cabinet and all the most powerful people in the land are gathering in one room, the House of Lords. And none of them know they are about to endure the most terrifying day of their lives. Not all of them will survive. Sitting amongst the hostages are two young men, the sons of the British Prime Minister and the US President. It creates the cruellest challenge any leader could face. As the world watches on live television and holds its breath, President and

Prime Minister are torn in two between their duty as statesmen, and their love as parents. Yet others have their agendas, too, not least of them Harry Jones, a man who is already undergoing the worst day of his life when he becomes swept up in the maelstrom. What can he do about this act of terrorism when the most powerful people are rendered helpless? He can ask one simple question - why?

**The Gunners** Soho Press  
A stunning new paperback edition of Dowd's moving story of prejudice and the traveller community, featuring powerful black and white illustrations from Kate Greenaway longlisted Emma Shoard. When Jim's family halt at Dundry, the town is an unfriendly place. He faces bullying, name-calling and a new school to navigate without a word of reading. Then Jim meets Kit, who takes him under her wing and shows him how to survive. But everyday prejudice and mindless violence threaten to uproot all their lives.

**The Lords' Day** Marvel Entertainment

A young reindeer becomes a surprise Christmas gift for a city boy.

Leonardo and the Death Machine Bloomsbury Publishing

Introduces the history, daily life, religion, social customs, and inventions of the Aztecs, along with descriptions of Tenochtitlan, its largest city.

*A Concise History of the Third Reich* St. Martin's Press

The definitive account of Lance Armstrong's spectacular rise and fall. In June 2013, when Lance Armstrong fled his palatial home in Texas, downsizing in the face of multimillion-dollar lawsuits, Juliet Macur was there—talking to his girlfriend and children and listening to Armstrong's version of the truth. She was one of the few media members aside from Oprah Winfrey to be granted extended one-on-one access to the most famous pariah in sports. At the center of *Cycle of Lies* is Armstrong himself, revealed through face-to-face interviews. But this unfolding narrative is given depth and breadth by the firsthand accounts of more than one hundred witnesses, including family members whom Armstrong had long since turned his back on—the adoptive father who gave him the Armstrong name,

a grandmother, an aunt. Perhaps most damning of all is the taped testimony of the late J.T. Neal, the most influential of Armstrong's many father figures, recorded in the final years of Neal's life as he lost his battle with cancer just as Armstrong gained fame for surviving the disease. In the end, it was Armstrong's former friends, those who had once occupied the precious space of his inner circle, who betrayed him. They were the ones who dealt Armstrong his fatal blow by breaking the code of silence that shielded the public from the grim truth about the sport of cycling—and the grim truth about its golden boy, Armstrong. Threading together the vivid and disparate voices of those with intimate knowledge of the private and public Armstrong, Macur weaves a comprehensive and unforgettably rich tapestry of one man's astonishing rise to global fame and fortune and his devastating fall from grace.

**Futurism and the Technological Imagination**

Enchanted Lion Books  
From the winner of the 2015 Man Booker International Prize A novel

of awesome beauty and power by the Hungarian master, Laszla Krasznahorkai. Winner of a 2005 PEN Translation Fund Award. *War and War*, Laszla Krasznahorkai's second novel in English from New Directions, begins at a point of danger: on a dark train platform Korim is on the verge of being attacked by thuggish teenagers and robbed; and from here, we are carried along by the insistent voice of this nervous clerk. Desperate, at times almost mad, but also keenly empathic, Korim has discovered in a small Hungarian town's archives an antique manuscript of startling beauty: it narrates the epic tale of brothers-in-arms struggling to return home from a disastrous war. Korim is determined to do away with himself, but before he can commit suicide, he feels he must escape to New York with the precious manuscript and commit it to eternity by typing it all on the world-wide web. Following Korim with obsessive realism through the streets of New York (from his landing in a Bowery flophouse to his moving far uptown with a mad interpreter), *War and War* relates his encounters

with a fascinating range of humanity, a world torn between viciousness and mysterious beauty. Following the eight chapters of *War and War* is a short "prequel acting as a sequel," "Isaiah," which brings us to a dark bar, years before in Hungary, where Korim rants against the world and threatens suicide. Written like nothing else (turning single sentences into chapters), *War and War* affirms W. G. Sebald's comment that Krasznahorkai's prose "far surpasses all the lesser concerns of contemporary writing."

*Julián Is a Mermaid*  
Enigma Books  
WINNER OF THE 2022 NOBEL PRIZE IN LITERATURE "My father tried to kill my mother one Sunday in June, in the early afternoon," begins *Shame*, the probing story of the twelve-year-old girl who will become the author herself, and the single traumatic memory that will echo and resonate throughout her life. With the emotionally rich voice of great fiction and the diamond-sharp analytical eye of a scientist, Annie Ernaux provides a powerful reflection on experience and the power of violent memory to endure

through time, to determine the course of a life.

*Shame First Second*  
This "haunting and subtle" collection of short stories offers a compassionate portrayal of man's journey from childhood to maturity (Publishers Weekly). For the adolescents in Part One of Andre Dubus's *Adultery & Other Choices*, youth is characterized by humiliation, alienation, and disappointment: A son struggles to connect with his distant father, and later he must overcome a schoolyard bully. Then, for the soldiers that inhabit Part Two, service is synonymous with sacrifice, as marriages and limbs falter and fail. But for the bitterly lonely wife of a promiscuous professor, a hopeless affair with a dying ex-priest provides her with the strength necessary to retake control of her life. In the aptly titled follow-up to *Separate Flights*, Dubus expertly traces the arc of human life, and honors the men and women he portrays with such faithful veracity. This ebook features an illustrated biography of Andre Dubus including rare photos and never-before-seen documents

from the author's estate.

*Child Stories from the Masters* Rubbettino Editore  
"Extraordinary...beautifully precise...[an] earnestly ambitious debut." —The New York Times Book Review "A wild, angry, and devastating masterpiece of a book." —NPR "[A] descendent of the Dickensian 'social novel' by way of Jonathan Franzen: epic fiction that lays bare contemporary culture clashes, showing us who we are and how we got here." —O, The Oprah Magazine "A book that has stayed with me ever since I put it down." —Seth Meyers, host of *Late Night with Seth Meyers* One sweltering night in 2013, four former high school classmates converge on their hometown in northeastern Ohio. There's Bill Ashcraft, a passionate, drug-abusing young activist whose flailing ambitions have taken him from Cambodia to Zuccotti Park to post-BP New Orleans, and now back home with a mysterious package strapped to the undercarriage of his truck; Stacey Moore, a doctoral candidate reluctantly confronting her family and the mother of her best friend and first love, whose disappearance

spurs the mystery at the heart of the novel; Dan Eaton, a shy veteran of three tours in Iraq, home for a dinner date with the high school sweetheart he's tried desperately to forget; and the beautiful, fragile Tina Ross, whose rendezvous with the washed-up captain of the football team triggers the novel's shocking climax. Set over the course of a single evening, Ohio toggles between the perspectives of these unforgettable characters as they unearth dark secrets, revisit old regrets and uncover—and compound—bitter betrayals. Before the evening is through, these narratives converge masterfully to reveal a mystery so dark and shocking it will take your breath away.

*The Summer That Melted Everything* Simon & Schuster

This is an authoritative history of the twelve years of the Third Reich from its political takeover of January 30, 1939 to the German capitulation in May 1945.

*The Narrow Waters* Univ of California Press  
A New York Times bestseller and USA Today bestselling book! From award-winning actor Neil Patrick Harris comes the

magical first book in a new series with plenty of tricks up its sleeve. When street magician Carter runs away, he never expects to find friends and magic in a sleepy New England town. But like any good trick, things change instantly as greedy B.B. Bosso and his crew of crooked carnies arrive to steal anything and everything they can get their sticky fingers on. After a fateful encounter with the local purveyor of illusion, Dante Vernon, Carter teams up with five other like-minded illusionists. Together, using both teamwork and magic, they'll set out to save the town of Mineral Wells from Bosso's villainous clutches. These six Magic Misfits will soon discover adventure, friendship, and their own self-worth in this delightful new series. (Psst. Hey, you! Yes, you! Congratulations on reading this far. As a reward, I'll let you in on a little secret... This book isn't just a book. It's a treasure trove of secrets and ciphers and codes and even tricks. Keep your eyes peeled and you'll discover more than just a story--you'll learn how to make your own magic!)

**Black Souls** BRILL

Author wrote bestselling bfi Publishing title David Lynch 'a joy to the reader of film criticism' Choice; 2001: A Space Odyssey to be re-released in cinemas in The Spring and highly likely to be the focus of much media attention in the new year; Stanley Kubrick's 2001: A Space Odyssey (1968), based on Arthur C Clarke's novel, is one of the most ambitious films ever made, an epic of space exploration that takes in the whole history of humanity (as well as speculation about its future). A technical triumph that stands up today 2001 is topical also because of its meditation on the relationship between man, animal and machine. Haunting and enigmatic, it's a film that contains myriad images that seem to defy any explanation. In this multilayered study, acclaimed critic and theorist of film sound Michel Chion offers some keys to understanding 2001. Setting the film first in its historical and cultural contexts (the Space Race, the Cold War, 1960s psychedelia), Chion goes on to locate it within Kubrick's career. He then conducts a meticulous and subtle analysis of its structure and style, arguing that 2001 is an

'absolute film', a unique assemblage of cinema's elements, through which pulses a vision of human existence. 'Animals who know they will die, beings lost on earth, forever caught between two species, not animal enough, not cerebral enough.' In a supplementary chapter Chion argues that Kubrick's last film, *Eyes Wide Shut* (1999), is a return to 2001, a final statement of its concerns. And in a series of appendices Chion provides production details, an analytic synopsis, credits and a consideration of the

legacy of 2001.

*Try and Say Abracadabra!*  
Routledge

In fluid prose, Julien Gracq navigates-in memory-the magical Evre and the terrain through which it coursed in his youth. "The Narrow Waters" is a synaptic meditation on Beginning and Ending whose inquiries and visions flow, and sometimes cascade, *Samurai 7* New Directions Publishing

Living in a house filled with grown-up ghouls and monsters, Little Vampire is so lonely that he's even willing to go to school if that's what it takes to find friends. Unfortunately, school seems to be filled

with children who are still alive. . . . Little Vampire finds friendship with a boy named Michael, and they embark on adventures in the three stories in this collection. Included in this book are *Little Vampire Goes to School* (a New York Times Bestseller), *Little Vampire Does Kung Fu*, and *Little Vampire and the Society of Canine Defenders* (now published in the United States for the first time). Insightful and inventive, Joann Sfar brings Little Vampire and Michael's fantastical world to young readers in stories that both feed the imagination and resonate with emotional truth.