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You're Family Now Jack Stainton 2022-01-24 He only had to do one thing. Love her family... Matt Walker was a chancer; he'd spent his entire profession chasing the next job. His personal life took on a similar mantra; a succession of one-night stands and brief relationships. Life was slowly drifting him by. Until one evening, in a hotel bar, following a fortuitous meeting with the quiet and unassuming Julia. She knew of an opportunity that would be the perfect fit for Matt; one he simply couldn't let go. Not only did the subsequent interview provide him his dream job; it would also be where he met the love of his life. Matt and Amelia spent each day working hand-in-hand, and every evening in premarital bliss. Finally, Matt's life was taking shape. Following years of turmoil and heartbreak, the future looked full of promise and hope. And then Amelia introduced him to her family... Will you ever look at your in-laws in the same way again?

Where the Missing Go Emma Rowley 2018-03-08 The gripping, twisty novel about a mother working at a Missing Persons helpline who receives a desperate phone call from her own daughter, who has been missing for four years. A high-concept psychological thriller for fans of *CLOSE TO HOME* by Cara Hunter, *THE GUILTY WIFE* by Elle Croft, and *THE DAUGHTER* by Lucy Dawson.

A Wicked Mercy Bilinda P Sheehan 2020-02-05 He's in your home... and you don't even know it. A spate of suicides sets the village of Tollby in North Yorkshire on edge. Although the police are convinced that these are open and shut cases, Forensic psychologist Harriet Quinn is certain the deaths are due to foul play. Her suspicions deepen when her own friend becomes one of the victims. Fighting the police's indifference, she sets out to prove that a murderer stalks the village. A murderer that her training tells her might be hiding in plain sight. Book One of the Harriet Quinn series is an explosive crime fiction series debut where murder and mystery take centre stage in this dark thriller. For fans of LJ Ross, Val McDermid, JD Kirk, Chris Carter, Joy Ellis, Angela Marsons, and Sally Rigby

Missing Pieces Tim Weaver 2021-04-15 Rebekah Murphy has been missing for five months. So why is no one looking for her? . . . THE GRIPPING AND PULSE-RACING SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER 'Gripping' SUNDAY TIMES CRIME CLUB 'Smart, pacy and completely gripping - you'll feel like you're right there in the thick of the action. A five-star thriller' T.M. LOGAN, bestselling author of THE HOLIDAY _____ TWO MISSING WOMEN. Rebekah Murphy is stranded on an island closed for the winter. A killer is on her trail. She needs to survive long enough to make it back home - but what's waiting there could be even worse. TWO PIECES OF THE SAME PUZZLE. Detective Travis can't find Louise Mason. The case has no leads. Then Travis gets an anonymous tip-off - but is this a clue or part of something more sinister? What links these apparently unrelated cases? Who is causing young women to disappear? And when does missing mean murder? _____ 'Showcases Tim Weaver's trademark clever and original plotting. Twisty, unpredictable and so gripping. That ending will stay with me for a long time. A brilliant book!' CLAIRE DOUGLAS, bestselling author of JUST LIKE THE OTHER GIRLS 'Raw, fraught, multi-layered, and a fantastic portrayal of a strong female heroine in peril' GILLIAN MCALLISTER, bestselling author of How to Disappear 'An outstanding book, absolutely superb. The solution reminded me of a Russian Doll, where you take one apart to find another one still to be opened' 5***** Reader Review 'As gripping as anything he's written before . . . Chilling' New 'This book has blown me away! I read it in a day as I physically couldn't put it down. An absolute must-read for everyone' 5***** Reader Review 'Buckle up - this is one serious pulse-pounder' HEAT Praise for Tim Weaver 'So many twists and surprises' The Times 'Bliss' Lee Child 'Terrific' Sunday Times 'Thrilling'

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Death of a Temptress P. Ford 2015-03-27 When DS Dave Slater is the victim of a botched investigation, he quickly gets bored of sitting at home twiddling his thumbs, but when his boss hands him a case to be investigated 'discreetly', Slater sees a chance to redeem himself. As he delves into the missing person case, Slater discovers there could be some link between a girl leading a double life and the police officers who made him a scapegoat for their own failings. When he is nearly pushed under a London bus, he realises the stakes are even higher than he had imagined. Joined by fellow scapegoat Norman Norman, Slater is plunged into a tangled web of corruption, blackmail, deception...and possibly the most cunning murder he has ever seen. But can he and Norman wade through the ever-widening pool of suspects to find the killer?

A Body of Confusion P. F. Ford 2020-10-23 A dead woman identified through DNA can't walk into a police station and identify herself. Or can she? When DI Sarah Southall sends DS Norman Norman to the beach where a man was seen walking into the sea, it looks as if they have a suicide on their hands. Locals say only a fool would walk into the sea at this time of year. The man's clothes are still on the beach where he left them, and he has been gone for hours. It seems almost certain he has been swept away by the powerful currents. But with no body, and no-one reported missing, they have no idea who he is! The next day a skull is uncovered by builders, and when the body is identified it appears there may be a link between the gruesome discovery and the man who appears to have committed suicide. Just as things seem to be making sense, the suspected suicide is found to be alive, and the person identified as the owner of the skull comes forward to prove they are also very much alive. Norman and Southall must find their way through a sea of conflicting stories and confusion to find out what's really going on.

The Invisible Man P. F. Ford 2019-03-07 When bereaved mother Lizzie Becker comes to Slater and Norman for help it looks like a simple case of someone with a sick mind sending a malicious text message. Then it becomes clear the message has been sent from a mobile phone that went missing two years ago when Lizzie's daughter, Lilly, died in a car crash. As the detectives look into the circumstances of Lilly's death they soon find they're in the middle of a convoluted investigation that seems to throw up more questions than answers. At every turn, they encounter a tangled web of lies and deceit that seems designed to throw them off the scent and lead them in new directions. Finally, despite the fog of confusion they seem to have stumbled upon the answer, but as they close in on their suspect they realise they've been misled yet again and the race to catch a suspect becomes a race to prevent a murder!

Deceptive Appearances P. F. Ford 2018-12-08 It's been a slow start to business for private detectives and former police officers Dave Slater and Norman Norman, so when the case of a young woman's disappearance arrives on their desk, they're hopeful it could be just the break they need. But it soon becomes clear that the man who reported her missing has his own secrets and motivations to hide - and with mysterious photographs, false IDs, and an unidentified body in the mortuary, a simple missing persons case becomes a tangled web involving local businessmen, undercover journalists, and conspiracies. Will Slater and Norman be able to solve the mystery - and manage to stay safe - after finding themselves on the dark and seedy side of Tinton?

Destination Wedding Aaron Stander 2020-10 11 Book in the Sheriff Ray Elkins mystery series. The story is set in northwest lower Michigan.

The Scarlet Dress Louise Douglas 2021-02-18 A chilling, unputdownable new novel from the bestselling author of *The House By The Sea*. 'A brilliantly written, gripping, clever, compelling story, that I struggled to put down.' Alice Lang was wearing her favourite scarlet dress when she disappeared twenty-five years ago, and her memory still casts a long shadow. In the long, hot summer of 1995, twenty-two-year-old Alice Lang rents a caravan on a holiday park on the outskirts of the lively holiday resort of Severn Sands. She befriends Marnie, a shy, damaged little girl whose father is the park's caretaker and whose mother died a few months earlier. Will, whose mother runs the bar, falls in love with Alice, and is unbearably jealous of anyone else she sees. Tensions rise until one evening Alice disappears from her caravan. She's never seen again, and only her scarlet dress is found washed up on the shore. A quarter of a century later, the town is run down and nobody comes there anymore. Mr and Mrs deVillars, former owners of the holiday park, have passed the failing business onto their son Guy, who promptly sells the land for development. Builders clearing the land to create an expanse of executive homes uncover human bones. It has to be Alice. Will and Marnie's lives were entirely shaped by what happened that summer, and now Alice has been found, they must struggle to pin down their memories, to escape the secrets of the past, the lies they told and the unbearable guilt they're both carrying. They need to find out what happened to Alice. Who killed her? And why?

Praise for Louise Douglas 'A brilliantly written, gripping, clever, compelling story, that I struggled to put down. The vivid descriptions, the evocative plot and the intrigue that Louise created, which had me constantly asking questions, made it a highly enjoyable, absolute treasure of a read.' Kim Nash on *The Scarlet Dress* 'A tender, heart-breaking, page-turning read' Rachel Hore on *The House by the Sea* 'The perfect combination of page-turning thriller and deeply emotional family story. Superb.' Nicola Cornick on *The House by the Sea* 'Kept me guessing until the last few pages and the explosive ending took my breath away.' C.L. Taylor, author of *The Accident on Your Beautiful Lies* 'Beautifully written, chillingly atmospheric and utterly compelling, *The Secret by the Lake* is Louise Douglas at her brilliant best' Tammy Cohen, author of *The Broken* 'A master of her craft, Louise Douglas ratchets up the tension in this haunting and exquisitely written tale of buried secrets and past tragedy.' Amanda Jennings,

author of *Sworn Secret* 'A clammy, atmospheric and suspenseful novel, it builds in tension all the way through to the startling final pages.' Sunday Express, S Magazine

ARK P. J. Humphreys 2020-06 A priest investigates his murdered sister and the ghosts of an ancient order come back to threaten him and his country.

The Old Man Thomas Perry 2017-01-03 From the New York Times—bestselling author of *Poison Flower*: a retired intelligence officer is caught in “[a] harrowing hunt-and-hide adventure” (The New York Times). To all appearances, Dan Chase is a harmless retiree in Vermont with two big mutts and a grown daughter he keeps in touch with by phone. But most sixty-year-old widowers don't have multiple driver's licenses, savings stockpiled in banks across the country, or two Beretta Nanos stashed in the spare bedroom closet. Most have not spent decades on the run. Thirty-five years ago, as a young army intelligence hotshot, Chase was sent to Libya to covertly assist a rebel army. When the plan turned sour, Chase acted according to his conscience—and triggered consequences he never could have anticipated. To this day, someone still wants him dead. And just when he thought he was finally safe, Chase is confronted with the history he spent much of his life trying to escape. “Perry drives deep into Jack Reacher territory in this stand-alone [novel] . . . Swift, unsentimental, and deeply satisfying. Liam Neeson would be perfect in the title role.” —Kirkus Reviews

Just a Coincidence P. Ford 2015-03-27 In the sleepy Hampshire town of Tinton, major crime is rare, and DS Slater and colleague Norman Norman find themselves with nothing to investigate except a flasher and an illiterate counterfeiter. Things are so quiet, Slater even arranges to go on his long-awaited date with bombshell waitress Jelena. But things can change in a matter of seconds, and a dog walker's discovery of a battered body near a local woodland sends Slater and Norman hurrying to the scene. Before they know it, they have three dead bodies on their hands - and the victims are all related. But with 15 years between the murders, is this just a bizarre coincidence, or could the murders be linked? And with tensions rising within their close-knit team, can Slater and Norman keep it together to solve their latest mystery?

The World's Greatest Unsolved Crimes VARIOS AUTORES 2012 This book reveals the astonishing, known facts about real acts of villainy...and it probes the fascinating, missing facts that confound the law and are kept in a file marked 'unsolved'.

The Tallow Image J.T. Brindle 2014-05-01 1880: Hauntingly beautiful Rebecca Norman is condemned to die. As she awaits the hangman, she fashions two crude dolls from candle tallow. Over a century later, one of the dolls falls into the hands of young, newly married Cathy Slater. Under its malign influence, Cathy begins to change, tormented by emotions she does not understand and cannot control. Only one person can help her – a frail old woman who has waited with dread for an ancient evil to surface...

Mr Todd's Reckoning Iain Maitland 2019-04-25 Behind the normal door of a normal house, in a normal street, two men are slowly driving each other insane. One of them is a psychopath. The father: Mr Todd is at his wits' end. He's been robbed of his job as a tax inspector and is now stuck at home... with him. Frustrated. Lonely. Angry. Really angry. The son: Adrian has no job, no friends. He is at home all day, obsessively chopping vegetables and tap-tap-tapping on his computer. And he's getting worse, disappearing for hours at a time, sneaking off to who-knows-where? The unholy spirit: in the safety of suburbia, one man has developed a taste for killing. And he'll kill again.

The Kidney Donor P. F. Ford 2016-08-25 When a homeless man is found burned to death in a skip, it seems to police like an open and shut case. After all, it was probably just a tragic accident, wasn't it? But when former Detective Sergeant Dave Slater (now just plain Mr) arrives back from a holiday to Thailand, it's not long before he and former partner Norman Norman get the distinct whiff that something isn't quite right. Why has homeless veteran Ryan suddenly gone missing? And why is he so sure that it should have been him in that skip? And why had the dead man recently had a kidney removed? No longer having the resources and clout of Tinton Police behind them, Slater and Norman must put their detective skills to good use to find the truth before there are more victims

Taking on Water David Rawding 2015-08-18 When James Morrow, a social worker, first meets Kevin Flynn, he suspects the teen is being abused. To learn more about Kevin's home life, he gets to know the boy's father, Tucker, who's a lobsterman. James is able to put his suspicions to rest, and the two families begin to form a friendship. When a kid at the local recreation center dies of an overdose, Detective Maya Morrow adds the case to the long list related to the drug problem plaguing the small New Hampshire coastal town of Newborough. But her investigation gets her much too close to the dangerous players. Both the Morrrows and the Flynns are holding dark secrets, and when their lives collide, tragedy is inevitable.

Wrongly Convicted P. F. Ford 2018-05-22 Can anyone really be taken at face value? In February 2008 Julie Harris left home to spend the weekend with an old friend. Several weeks later her battered body was found on a caravan site in Wales. Her husband was later found guilty of her murder and sentenced to life in prison. Steve Harris always protested his innocence, and now, ten years later, evidence has come to light that suggests he may well have been wrongly convicted. Slater and Norman are tasked with the job of uncovering the truth, but with a widening pool of suspects, and a shrinking list of potential witnesses, can they discover what really happened on that fateful weekend and catch the real killer? *Wrongly Convicted* is the twelfth book in P.F. Ford's Slater and Norman Mystery series. Buy this book today if you like an intriguing plot and engaging characters.

Dumb Move Ty Hutchinson 2021-12-04 When you have a week to save your life, you get off your butt real quick. I

have a bounty on my head worth fifty million dollars. Every assassin I can think of will come for me. Even the ones I had called my friends. To end this nonsense, I need to kill Ethan Carmotte, the man responsible for funding the contract. But first, I need to find him. I have a week to get from San Francisco to New York. A contact there is the best at digging up information. It won't be easy, though. News about the big payday is out, and money-hungry assassins are circling. Attacks are imminent. I know that much for sure. But if I can make that trip and not die in the process, I'll have a real chance at finding Ethan and making him wish he'd never made this dumb move. Wish me luck. *Dumb Move* revives the Sei thriller series ten years later. You'll cheer for Sei once again.

The Red Telephone Box P. F. Ford 2016 When DS Dave Slater is called from his bed in the middle of the night, he is horrified to find that the flat belonging to his colleague, DS Norman Norman, has been set alight. His relief at being told Norman wasn't inside at the time quickly turns to concern, as no trace of the missing officer can be found. As the minutes stretch into hours, and DS Slater starts to dig into the circumstances surrounding Norman's disappearance, he discovers that the involvement of a mysterious Russian man could mean Norman is in an even more dangerous situation than first feared. With a new DI in charge - who just so happens to be a woman - and more twists and turns than a rollercoaster, DS Slater faces a race against time to find Norman before it's too late. See *Her Run* (A Mia North FBI Suspense Thriller—Book One) Rylie Dark 2021-11-30 When FBI Special Agent Mia North is framed for murder, she finds herself sentenced to years in prison, her life and career over. But when Mia, unwilling to back down, escapes and turns into a fugitive, she continues to hunt down killers and solve active cases—all while trying to clear her own name. In *SEE HER RUN* (A Mia North FBI Suspense Thriller—Book One), Special Agent Mia North is a rising star in the FBI—until, in an elaborate setup, she's framed for murder and sentenced to prison. When a lucky break allows her to escape, Mia finds herself a fugitive, on the run and on the wrong side of the law for the first time in her life. She can't see her young daughter—and she has no hope of returning to her former life. The only way to get her life back, she realizes, is to hunt down whoever framed her. A diabolical killer that Mia once put behind bars is freed on parole. He taunts her while she's in prison, now on the other side of the Visitor glass, and boasts of a murder he is about to commit. Mia, locked in jail, will be helpless to stop it. With time running out, Mia must use her sharpest instincts to escape, evade the law, and stop him before he claims his next victim. Can she hunt down the killer and save the victim—and herself? Will she find herself back in jail? Or worse—at the mercy of a killer, without any backup? An action-packed page-turner, the MIA NORTH series is a riveting crime thriller, jammed with suspense, surprises, and twists and turns that you won't see coming. Fall in love with this brilliant new female protagonist and you'll be turning pages late into the night. Books #2-#6 in the series—*SEE HER HIDE*, *SEE HER SCREAM*, *SEE HER VANISH*, *SEE HER GONE*, and *SEE HER DEAD*—are now also available.

Rabbits Terry Miles 2021-06-10 'Murakami meets Ready Player One' – Nicholas Eames, author of *Kings of the Wyld* 'A twisted trip through a cool digital wilderness of a mystery. This book sticks to your brain' – Norman Reedus, star of *The Walking Dead* What happens in the game, stays in the game . . . Rabbits is a secret, dangerous and sometimes fatal underground game. The rewards for winning are unclear, but there are rumours of money, CIA recruitment or even immortality. Or it might unlock the universe's greatest secrets. But everyone knows that the deeper you get, the more deadly the game becomes – and the body count is rising. Since the game first started, ten iterations have taken place . . . and the eleventh round is about to begin. K can't get enough of the game and has been trying to find a way in for years. Then Alan Scarpio, reclusive billionaire and alleged Rabbits winner, shows up out of nowhere. And he charges K with a desperate mission. Something has gone badly wrong with the game and K needs to fix it – before Eleven starts – or the world will pay the price. Five days later, Scarpio is declared missing. Two weeks after that Eleven begins, so K blows the deadline. And suddenly, the fate of the entire universe is at stake. *Rabbits* by Terry Miles is an electrifying, compulsive read based on the hit podcast from the Public Radio Alliance – perfect for fans of *Stranger Things* and *Black Mirror*.

The House of Closed Doors Jane Steen 2012-10-08 Heedless. Stubborn. Disgraced. Small town Illinois, 1870: "My stepfather was not particularly fond of me to begin with, and now that he'd found out about the baby, he was foaming at the mouth" Desperate to avoid marriage, Nell Lillington refuses to divulge the name of her child's father and accepts her stepfather's decision that the baby be born at a Poor Farm and discreetly adopted. Until an unused padded cell is opened and two small bodies fall out. Nell is the only resident of the Poor Farm who is convinced the unwed mother and her baby were murdered, and rethinks her decision to abandon her own child to fate. But even if she manages to escape the Poor Farm with her baby she may have no safe place to run to.

Dead On Time WL Knightly 2020-11-16 Professor Whit Filmore thought he'd left his life as a detective behind to focus on teaching, but after a personal realization changed his life, he discovered his heightened senses help him pick up on clues that others can't. Together with his assistant Anna, an empath who is barely scratching the surface of her own talents, Whit travels to Aldridge, a small town in Texas, at the request of an old acquaintance in the FBI. Two girls have gone missing from opposite sides of town, and no one is cooperating. With so many obstacles, can Whit use his keen senses to find the girls in time?

Gales of November Aaron Stander 2017 Twenty-five years ago, the Leiston School Adventure Group headed into an Upper Peninsula wilderness for a winter camping adventure. They ended up stranded and cut off for days by a huge winter storm. When they were finally rescued, hungry and frostbitten, their chaperone was missing and so

were the facts.

Holy Island L. J. Ross 2021-03 Detective Chief Inspector Ryan retreats to Holy Island seeking sanctuary when he is forced to take sabbatical leave from his duties as a homicide detective. A few days before Christmas, his peace is shattered and he is thrust back into the murky world of murder when a young woman is found dead amongst the ancient ruins of the nearby Priory. When former local girl Dr Anna Taylor arrives back on the island as a police consultant, old memories swim to the surface making her confront her difficult past. She and Ryan struggle to work together to hunt a killer who hides in plain sight, while pagan ritual and small-town politics muddy the waters of their investigation.

Sarah Robert Gottlieb 2010-09-21 Everything about Sarah Bernhardt is fascinating, from her obscure birth to her glorious career--redefining the very nature of her art--to her amazing (and highly public) romantic life, to her indomitable spirit. Well into her seventies, after the amputation of her leg, she was performing under bombardment for soldiers during World War I and toured America for the ninth time. Though the Bernhardt literature is vast, this is the first English-language biography to appear in decades, tracking the trajectory through which an illegitimate--and scandalous--daughter of a Jewish courtesan transformed herself into the most famous actress who ever lived, and into a national icon, a symbol of France.--From publisher description.

The Docent Tom Kenny 2016-03-03 Did a casual comment from a B-girl working at a seedy bar in Boston's "Combat Zone" inspire the most notorious art theft in the country's history? A decade after the looting, the penchant of a superior court judge for old masterpieces brings the infamous Gardner Museum heist and a billion dollar family court brawl onto the same page. A pair of the city's most prominent lawyers takes on the task of defending an acerbic tycoon accused of fleecing his niece and nephew of their interest in the family business empire. As the court proceedings take a decided turn against their unforgiving client, defense counsel turn to insidious means in a desperate attempt to avoid a catastrophic judgment. They scheme to besmirch and derail the trial judge through the manipulation of her law clerk. Unknowingly, the clerk provides information that could involve Her Honor in the disappearance of the priceless museum paintings. The story unfolds in both posh and hardscrabble neighborhoods of Boston and its suburbs as its players succumb to greed, power and love, without concern for those left in their backwash.

Starting At Zero Jimi Hendrix 2013-11-27 It didn't take long after Jimi Hendrix's death for the artist to become a myth of music. He has been surrounded by a shroud of intrigue since he first came into the public eye, and the mystery has only grown with time. Much has been written and said about him by experts and fans and critics, some of it true and some of it not; Starting at Zero will set the record straight. This is Hendrix in his own words. The lyricism and rhythm of Jimi Hendrix's writing will be of no surprise to his fans. Hendrix wrote prolifically throughout his life and he left behind a trove of scribbled-on hotel stationary, napkins and cigarette cartons. Starting at Zero weaves the scraps and bits together fluidly with interviews and lyrics revealing for the first time a continuous narrative of the artist's life, from birth through to the final four years of his life. The result is a beautifully poetic, charming and passionate memoir as smooth and memorable as Hendrix's finest songs. The pieces of Starting at Zero came together in large part because of the inspiration of Alan Douglas. Douglas first met Jimi Hendrix backstage at Woodstock, and soon after became Hendrix's producer and close friend. In creating the book he joined forces with Peter Neal, who edited Hendrix's writing with the reverence and light touch it deserved.

Red Riviera David Downie 2021-06-25 Its jaws open wide, a firefighting seaplane skims the glittering Gulf of Portofino on Italy's jagged Ligurian coast, scooping up a lone swimmer named Joe Gary. The super-rich, retired Italian-American has mob connections and a dirty political past. Has he been snatched by accident or murdered? Red Riviera, Commissioner Daria Vinci's first investigation, is a wild ride from the tangled trails of the Cinque Terre to glamorous Portofino to roistering Genoa. It's a Riviera made red by riotous bougainvillea and spilled blood. Half-American, Daria Vinci is an outsider, the unlikely rising star of Genoa's secretive Special Operations Directorate DIGOS. In Red Riviera, she must face down a Fascist police chief, the CIA's local mastermind, a former World War Two Spitfire fighter pilot, and a plucky hundred-year-old marquise whose memory is as long as it is vengeful, in order to solve her case.

Murder at the Book Club Betsy Reavley 2018-08-07 Something bad is brewing among a friendly group of book lovers: "A deliciously Agatha Christie-style mystery that sucks you in from the first page." —Sibel Hodge, bestselling author of Look Behind You Imagine nine women meeting. Tea and cake are on the coffee table. They've come together to share their love of books. They are friends. They trust each other. It's a happy gathering. What could be more harmless? Then scratch the surface and look closer. One is lonely. One is desperate. And one of them is a killer. When the body of a woman is discovered on a Cambridge common, DCI Barrett and DI Palmer are called in to investigate. But the motive behind the crime isn't clear—and it all leads back to a book club. As the lies, volatile friendships, and tension among the group rise to the surface, DCI Barrett and DI Palmer must work out the motive and track down a cold-blooded killer. But just when they think they're on the right track, a twist in the plot throws them off course . . . "Will keep readers guessing till the very end!" —J.A. Baker, bestselling author of The Other Mother "A deliciously devilish whodunit!" —Robert Bryndza, bestselling author of the Detective Erika Foster series The Wizard and the Prophet Charles Mann 2019-04-16 From the best-selling, award-winning author of 1491 and 1493--an incisive portrait of the two little-known twentieth-century scientists, Norman Borlaug and William Vogt,

whose diametrically opposed views shaped our ideas about the environment, laying the groundwork for how people in the twenty-first century will choose to live in tomorrow's world. In forty years, Earth's population will reach ten billion. Can our world support that? What kind of world will it be? Those answering these questions generally fall into two deeply divided groups--Wizards and Prophets, as Charles Mann calls them in this balanced, authoritative, nonpolemical new book. The Prophets, he explains, follow William Vogt, a founding environmentalist who believed that in using more than our planet has to give, our prosperity will lead us to ruin. Cut back! was his mantra.

Otherwise everyone will lose! The Wizards are the heirs of Norman Borlaug, whose research, in effect, wrangled the world in service to our species to produce modern high-yield crops that then saved millions from starvation.

Innovate! was Borlaug's cry. Only in that way can everyone win! Mann delves into these diverging viewpoints to assess the four great challenges humanity faces--food, water, energy, climate change--grounding each in historical context and weighing the options for the future. With our civilization on the line, the author's insightful analysis is an essential addition to the urgent conversation about how our children will fare on an increasingly crowded Earth.

The Verdict James Patterson 2016-09-22 James Patterson's BookShots. Short, fast-paced, high-impact entertainment. A woman violently attacked in her bed. A billionaire businessman on trial at The Old Bailey. As the world's press gather outside London's luxurious Tribeca hotel, can Jon Roscoe protect his own family from the terrifying consequences of the verdict?

Why Are We at War? Norman Mailer 2013-09-17 Beginning with his debut masterpiece, *The Naked and the Dead*, Norman Mailer has repeatedly told the truth about war. *Why Are We at War?* returns Mailer to the gravity of the battlefield and the grand hubris of the politicians who send soldiers there to die. First published in the early days of the Iraq War, *Why Are We at War?* is an explosive argument about the American quest for empire that still carries weight today. Scrutinizing the Bush administration's words and actions, Mailer unleashes his trademark moral rigor: "Because democracy is noble, it is always endangered. . . . To assume blithely that we can export democracy into any country we choose can serve paradoxically to encourage more fascism at home and abroad." Praise for *Why Are We at War?* "We're overloaded with information these days, some of it possibly true. Mailer offers a provocative—and persuasive—cultural and intellectual frame."—Newsweek "[Mailer] still has the stamina to churn out hard-hitting criticism."—Los Angeles Times "Penetrating . . . There's plenty of irreverent wit and fresh thinking on display."—San Francisco Chronicle "Eloquent . . . thoughtful . . . *Why Are We at War?* pulls no punches."—Fort Worth Star-Telegram Praise for Norman Mailer "[Norman Mailer] loomed over American letters longer and larger than any other writer of his generation."—The New York Times "A writer of the greatest and most reckless talent."—The New Yorker "Mailer is indispensable, an American treasure."—The Washington Post "A devastatingly alive and original creative mind."—Life "Mailer is fierce, courageous, and reckless and nearly everything he writes has sections of headlong brilliance."—The New York Review of Books "The largest mind and imagination [in modern] American literature . . . Unlike just about every American writer since Henry James, Mailer has managed to grow and become richer in wisdom with each new book."—Chicago Tribune "Mailer is a master of his craft. His language carries you through the story like a leaf on a stream."—The Cincinnati Post

Charles Dickens Michael Slater 2011-01-01 A magnificent new biography of the man who gave us *David Copperfield*, *Oliver Twist*, and *Ebenezer Scrooge* This long-awaited biography, twenty years after the last major account, uncovers Dickens the man through the profession in which he excelled. Drawing on a lifetime's study of this prodigiously brilliant figure, Michael Slater explores the personal and emotional life, the high-profile public activities, the relentless travel, the charitable works, the amateur theatricals and the astonishing productivity. But the core focus is Dickens' career as a writer and professional author, covering not only his big novels but also his phenomenal output of other writing--letters, journalism, shorter fiction, plays, verses, essays, writings for children, travel books, speeches, and scripts for his public readings, and the relationships among them. Slater's account, rooted in deep research but written with affection, clarity, and economy, illuminates the context of each of the great novels while locating the life of the author within the imagination that created them. It highlights Dickens' boundless energy, his passion for order and fascination with disorder, his organizational genius, his deep concern for the poor and outrage at indifference towards them, his susceptibility towards young women, his love of Christmas and fairy tales, and his hatred of tyranny. Richly and precisely illustrated with many rare images, this masterly work on the complete Dickens, man and writer, becomes the indispensable guide and companion to one of the greatest novelists in the language.

The Wrong Man P. F. Ford 2016 When Diana Woods is found stabbed to death in her kitchen, DS Slater and DS Norman Norman are plunged into another major investigation. The finger of suspicion quickly points at Diana's estranged husband, Ian - a bully who regularly abused his wife. But as Slater learns more, he begins to wonder if everything is as it seems. When a new suspect appears on the scene, it seems that Slater's instincts were right. But the evidence seems just a bit too convenient, and Slater and Norman have to face the possibility that their suspect is being framed - and they could be back to square one.

Hunting the Hangman Howard Linskey 2021-01-26 What an entire army couldn't do, two men must: take out the Butcher of Prague. Operation Anthropoid has been engaged. 1941. The Third Reich is at its zenith. Its protector is Reinhard Heydrich, the most merciless senior figure in Hitler's inner circle, and the Fuhrer's eventual successor. Under Heydrich's oppressive command, thousands of lives have already been erased in Czechoslovakia's capital.

It's only Heydrich's first ruthless step in service to the German people. Heydrich's ultimate endgame is the Final Solution. But under the cloak of night, the resistance conspires as well. Trained in subterfuge by the British Special Operations, Josef Gabcik and Jan Kubis are unfailingly dedicated soldiers. Now, as committed allied agents they've been tasked with an audacious and seemingly impossible mission: parachute into an occupied city in lockdown, rally the remaining Czech rebels, and assassinate one of the most dangerous men alive. Outmanned against insurmountable odds, Gabcik and Kubis have no choice but to succeed. The fate of Europe and the world is in their hands. High Acclaim for Ungentlemanly Warfare "A stellar novel of high-octane action, adventure and suspense." —Steve Berry, New York Times bestselling author "Reads like the new The Day of the Jackal—swift, deadly, game over!" —John Ellsworth, USA Today bestselling author of The Point of Light "A heart-pounding thriller from cover to cover. I couldn't put it down." —James D. Shipman, author of Task Force Baum "A perfect companion for fans of the great Ken Follett." —Chuck Driskell, author of Final Mission: Zion

Deceptive Cadence Kathryn Guare 2014-01-10 Meet Conor McBride. He's even more interesting than the trouble he gets into. A talented Irish musician reluctantly reinvents himself, disappearing into an undercover identity to search for the man who ruined his career: his own brother. On a journey from the west of Ireland to the tumultuous city of Mumbai, Conor McBride's only goal is to redeem the brother who betrayed him. But he's becoming a virtuoso of a different kind in a dangerous game where the rules keep changing--and where the allies he trusted to help him may be the people he should fear the most. "An intense adrenaline-pumping plot...Guare has masterfully crafted a plot-driven book with a deep character study. In one word: Wow." - Compulsion Reads, Irresistible Collection "A brilliantly written piece of storytelling..." Readers Favorite "A well-written debut novel...full of action and suspense...a great read." The Kindle Book Review

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