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**The Prisoner Of Heaven** - Carlos Ruiz Zafon 2012-07-10

Barcelona, 1957. It is Christmas, and Daniel Sempere and his wife, Bea, have much to celebrate. They have a beautiful new baby son named Julián, and their close friend Fermín Romero de Torres is about to be wed. But their joy is eclipsed when a mysterious stranger visits the Sempere bookshop and threatens to divulge a terrible secret that has been buried for two decades in the city's dark past. His appearance plunges Fermín and Daniel into a dangerous adventure that will take them back to the 1940s and the early days of Franco's dictatorship. The terrifying events of that time launch them on a search for the truth that will put into peril everything they love, and will ultimately transform their lives.

**The Wind-Up Bird Chronicle** - Haruki Murakami 2010-08-11

A "dreamlike and compelling" tour de force (Chicago Tribune)—an astonishingly imaginative detective story, an account of a disintegrating marriage, and an excavation of the buried secrets from Japan's forgotten campaign in Manchuria during World War II. In a Tokyo suburb, a young man named Toru Okada searches for his wife's missing cat—and then for his wife as well—in a netherworld beneath the city's placid surface. As these searches intersect, he encounters a bizarre group of allies and antagonists. Gripping, prophetic, and suffused with comedy and menace, this is one of Haruki Murakami's most acclaimed and beloved novels.

**The Game** - Neil Strauss 2012-05-01

Hidden somewhere, in nearly every major city in the world, is an underground seduction lair. And in these lairs, men trade the most devastatingly effective techniques ever invented to charm women. This is not fiction. These men really exist. They live together in houses known as Projects. And Neil Strauss, the bestselling author and journalist, spent two years living among them, using the pseudonym Style to protect his real-life identity. The result is one of the most explosive and controversial books of the last decade—guaranteed to change the lives of men and transform the way women understand the opposite sex forever. On his journey from AFC (average frustrated chump) to PUA (pick-up artist) to PUG (pick-up guru), Strauss not only shares scores of original seduction techniques but also has unforgettable encounters with the likes of Tom Cruise, Britney Spears, Paris Hilton, Heidi Fleiss, and Courtney Love. And then things really start to get strange—and passions lead to betrayals lead to violence. The Game is the story of one man's transformation from frog to prince to prisoner in the most unforgettable book of this generation.

*El Motin* - 1883

**A Thousand Splendid Suns** - Khaled Hosseini 2008-09-18

A riveting and powerful story of an unforgiving time, an unlikely friendship and an indestructible love

**Managing Image Collections** - Margot Note 2011-02-03

This book explores issues surrounding all aspects of visual collection management, taken from real-world experience in creating management systems and digitizing core content. Readers will gain the knowledge to manage the digitization process from beginning to end, assess and define the needs of their particular project, and evaluate digitization options. Additionally, they will select strategies which best meet current and future needs, acquire the knowledge to select the best images for digitization, and understand the legal issues surrounding digitization of visual collections. Offers practical information for the busy information professional Concentrates solely on image management Focuses on unique needs of born digital and

digitized images

**Ten Things I Love About You** - Julia Quinn 2010-05-25

"Delightful." —Nora Roberts A perennial New York Times bestselling author, whose books have reached as high as #1, Julia Quinn returns with Ten Things I Love About You, another clever, witty, and delightful historical romance. Author Jill Barnett calls the incomparable Quinn, "Truly our contemporary Jane Austen," Time magazine says her books are, "Smart, funny"—and this absolutely delicious tale of a beautiful country girl equally desired by an aging lecherous lord and his handsome rogue of a nephew is further proof that, "1. [Quinn's] characters are engaging, fun, and witty. 2. [Her] dialogue is engaging, fun and witty" (Orlando Sentinel).

**Thoughts and Meditations** - Kahlil Gibran 2015-02-19

This collection of thoughts by Kahlil Gibran, author of "The Prophet," "The Broken Wings," "The Voice of the Master," and other twentieth-century classics, demonstrates three major aspects of his genius. Here is the fiery prophet, assailing the corruptions of Syrian governmental and upper social circles with the wrath and scorn of Biblical seers. Here, too, is the poet of love, apostrophizing beauty, youth and nature, particularly the wonderful vistas of Lebanon, with its cedar groves and mountains, in poetry of passionate tenderness. And above all, here is the author of the remarkable poetic narratives in which Gibran's mystical, spiritual vision of the transmigration of souls is embodied in tales of lovers tragically parted in one existence and rapturously reunited, after centuries of separation, in a later incarnation. The spiritual message of the great Lebanese prophet and poet is conveyed with exceptional beauty and power in these sensitive writings.

**Standard Handbook for Civil Engineers** - Frederick S. Merritt 1976

A revision of the classic reference covering all important principles and techniques needed by practicing civil engineers. The 5th Edition incorporates changes in design and construction practices, especially in design specifications for construction materials, buildings and bridges, safety and health concerns, and the most current codes changes including ACI, AISC, ASTM, NDS for wood structures, etc. The Handbook covers systems design, community and regional planning, the latest design methods for buildings, airports, highways, tunnels and bridges. It includes sections on construction equipment, construction management, materials, specifications, structural theory, geotechnical engineering, wood, concrete, steel design and construction.

**Fashion Styling** - Jacqueline McAssey 2021-12-16

Learn to style for advertisements, magazines and portfolios and take your first steps into one of fashion communication's most dynamic and rewarding careers. With hands-on practical advice on working as part of a team, developing a visual vocabulary and managing a shoot, you'll be encouraged to experiment and develop your own original creative concepts. This revised edition includes a new chapter on the future of the industry, exploring how the role is changing and the stylist's position as an entrepreneur. There are also new interviews with professional stylists and 120 new images to demonstrate each technique.

**Sisters** - Danielle Steel 2009-02-25

Four sisters, a Manhattan brownstone, and a tumultuous year of loss and courage are at the heart of Danielle Steel's new novel about a remarkable family, a stunning tragedy—and what happens when four very different young women come together under one very lively roof. Twenty-one-year-old Candy is blazing her way through Paris, New York, and Tokyo as fashion's latest international supermodel. Her sister

Tammy, twenty-nine, has a job producing the most successful hit show on TV. In New York, oldest sister Sabrina, thirty-four, is an ambitious young lawyer, while Annie, at twenty-six, is an American in Florence, living for her art. One Fourth of July weekend, the four sisters come home to Connecticut for their family's annual gathering. But before the holiday is over, tragedy strikes and their world is utterly changed. Suddenly, four sisters who have been fervently pursuing success and their own lives come together to share one New York brownstone, to support each other, and to pick up the pieces while one of them struggles to heal her shattered body and soul. A bustling house is soon filled with eccentric dogs, laughter, tears, friends, men . . . and the kind of honesty and unconditional love only sisters can provide. But as the four women settle in, they are forced to confront the direction of their respective lives. With unerring insight and compassion, Danielle Steel tells a compelling story of sisters who are irrevocably woven into the fabric of one another's lives. Brilliantly blending humor and heartbreak, she delivers a powerful message about the fragility—and the wonder—of life.

**Homeland** - Fernando Aramburu 2019-03-05

The basis for HBO's *Patria*, named one of the "Best TV Shows of 2020" by The New York Times. In the heart of Spain's Basque Country, two friends, Miren and Bittori, find their worlds upended by violence. When Bittori's husband runs afoul of the separatist organization ETA, a terrorist group of which Miren's son, Joxe Mari, is a member, both women must choose between their friendship and their families. Moving back and forth in time and told through the eyes of a rich cast of characters from all walks of life, Fernando Aramburu's dazzling novel probes the lasting legacy of conflict. A work of nearly unbearable suspense, *Homeland* is a searing examination of truth, reconciliation, and coming to terms with history.

**Best of Bead and Button: Beaded Necklaces** - Editors of *Bead&Button Magazine* 2012-08-29

More than 30 great attention-getting necklace projects that range in style from fancy to fanciful. Teaches stringing, stitching, and wire work.

**Russian Lace Patterns** - Anna Korableva 2021-08-27

Create Your Own World-Class Lace A thorough introduction to a centuries-old tradition, *Russian Lace Patterns* presents 66 templates taught by two renowned masters of their craft, Bridget Cook and Anna Korableva. Starting in the 12th century this exquisite lace adorned the robes of the tsar and religious garments, often using threads made of silver and gold. Over the centuries the metallic threads gave way to linen and colored silk. Russian lace gradually migrated from the realm of the elite to that of the common folk. Whether for display in a museum or active use in everyday activities, lace making is considered one of the most important types of Russian decorative art; as durable as it is decorative, it can be found on linens, festive attire, and work garments. Antique motifs included scenes of birds perched in flowering bushes, peacocks, and other highly elaborate images. Russian lace-making techniques are distinctly different from those used in neighboring Western Europe. Ribbon-tape is an integral part, and fewer bobbins are employed, allowing the design to be readily seen and understood as the piece evolves. This collaboration between two preeminent lace makers, Russian Anna Korableva and Briton Bridget Cook, clearly reveals the techniques step by step. Photos are provided for each finished piece, along with diagrams for the pricking patterns and placement of the Russian ribbon tape. Novice as well as experienced bobbin lace makers will find this collection indispensable. Instructions are provided in English, Dutch, French, and German, with over 150 illustrations and diagrams. Be sure to complete your library of lace patterns and methods with Bridget Cook's other lace making titles published by Echo Point Publishing: *Russian Lace Making* (ISBN 1648370284 hardcover, 1648370292 paperback) and *The Torchon Lace Workbook* (ISBN 1648370241 hardcover, 164837025X paperback). This book is also available from Echo Point Books in paperback (ISBN 1648370276).

*The Orange Economy* - Inter American Development Bank 2013-10-01

This manual has been designed and written with the purpose of introducing key concepts and areas of debate around the "creative economy", a valuable development opportunity that Latin America, the Caribbean and the world at large cannot afford to miss. The creative economy, which we call the "Orange Economy" in this book (you'll see why), encompasses the immense wealth of talent, intellectual property, interconnectedness, and, of course, cultural heritage of the Latin American and Caribbean region (and indeed, every region). At the end of this manual, you will have the knowledge base necessary to understand

and explain what the Orange Economy is and why it is so important. You will also acquire the analytical tools needed to take better advantage of opportunities across the arts, heritage, media, and creative services.

**A Massacre in Mexico** - Anabel Hernandez 2020-07-14

The definitive account of the disappearance of forty-three Mexican students. On September 26, 2014, a party of students from the Ayotzinapa Rural Teachers' College were en route to a protest when intercepted by local police. A confrontation ensued. Come the morning, the students were nowhere to be found. The crime that had transpired and the resultant cover-up brought the profound depths of corruption in the Mexican government and police force—as well as the vulnerability of ordinary Mexicans—into stark relief. Investigative reporter Anabel Hernández reconstructs the terrible events of that night and its aftermath, giving us the most complete picture available. Her sources are unparalleled. In researching this book, she secured access to internal government documents that have not been made public and to surveillance footage the government has tried to hide and destroy. Hernández demolishes the Mexican state's official version of events, which the Peña Nieto government cynically dubbed the "historic truth." As her research shows, state officials at all levels, from police and prosecutors to the upper echelons of government, conspired to put together a fake case, concealing and manipulating evidence, and arresting and torturing dozens of "suspects," procuring forced confessions to back up the official lie. By following the role of the various Mexican state agencies through the events in such remarkable detail, *A Massacre in Mexico* shows with exacting precision precisely who is responsible for this monumental crime and who needs to be held accountable.

*The Japanese Lover* - Isabel Allende 2015-11-03

From New York Times bestselling author Isabel Allende, "a magical and sweeping" (Publishers Weekly, starred review) love story and multigenerational epic that stretches from San Francisco in the present-day to Poland and the United States during World War II. In 1939, as Poland falls under the shadow of the Nazis, young Alma Belasco's parents send her away to live in safety with an aunt and uncle in their opulent mansion in San Francisco. There, as the rest of the world goes to war, she encounters Ichimei Fukuda, the quiet and gentle son of the family's Japanese gardener. Unnoticed by those around them, a tender love affair begins to blossom. Following the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, the two are cruelly pulled apart as Ichimei and his family—like thousands of other Japanese Americans—are declared enemies and forcibly relocated to internment camps run by the United States government. Throughout their lifetimes, Alma and Ichimei reunite again and again, but theirs is a love that they are forever forced to hide from the world. Decades later, Alma is nearing the end of her long and eventful life. Irina Bazili, a care worker struggling to come to terms with her own troubled past, meets the elderly woman and her grandson, Seth, at San Francisco's charmingly eccentric Lark House nursing home. As Irina and Seth forge a friendship, they become intrigued by a series of mysterious gifts and letters sent to Alma, eventually learning about Ichimei and this extraordinary secret passion that has endured for nearly seventy years. Sweeping through time and spanning generations and continents, *The Japanese Lover* is written with the same keen understanding of her characters that Isabel Allende has been known for since her landmark first novel *The House of the Spirits*. *The Japanese Lover* is a moving tribute to the constancy of the human heart in a world of unceasing change.

**The Colors of Love** - Rupri Kaur 2017-01-23

We present 25 Gitanjali poems and 25 awesome hand drawn adult coloring images. Color these images and recite these poetries together at Sunset/evening. The love quotients between you would increase exponentially.

*Jewelry Making Manual* - Sylvia Wicks 1990

Clear, easy-to-follow descriptions of basic and advanced techniques, principles of good design, new developments.

**My Naked Soldier** - Michael Stokes 2020-10-15

**Predictably Irrational** - Dan Ariely 2008-02

An upbeat cultural evaluation of the sources of illogical decisions explores the reasons why irrational

thought often overcomes level-headed practices, offering insight into the structural patterns that cause people to make the same mistakes repeatedly. 150,000 first printing.

**Interlocking Crochet** - Tanis Galik 2010-11-12

Get hooked on Interlocking Crochet! Do you want to create incredible crochet projects that will leave even experienced crocheters amazed and wondering, "How did she do that?" Would you like to crochet one project that has two unique, attractive looks? Try the technique of interlocking crochet, which takes simple stitches and turns them into richly textured, reversible fabrics. There has never been a book that explores this technique so thoroughly. Inside Interlocking Crochet you'll find: • Step-by-step illustrations of the crochet stitches that turn yarn into incredible interlocking crochet fabric • A stitch dictionary with 80 beautiful stitch patterns • 10 projects ranging from lovely, luxurious scarves to big, cozy afghans Try your hand (and crochet hook!) at this unique and interesting technique—you might never want to go back to regular crochet again!

**After We Fell** - Anna Todd 2014-12-30

Soon to be a major motion picture! Book 3 of the After series—newly revised and expanded, Anna Todd's After fanfiction racked up 1 billion reads online and captivated readers across the globe. Experience the internet's most talked-about book for yourself from the writer Cosmopolitan called "the biggest literary phenomenon of her generation." Tessa and Hardin's love was complicated before. Now it's more confusing than ever. AFTER WE FELL...Life will never be the same. #HESSA Just as Tessa makes the biggest decision of her life, everything changes. Revelations about first her family, and then Hardin's, throw everything they knew before in doubt and makes their hard-won future together more difficult to claim. Tessa's life begins to come unglued. Nothing is what she thought it was. Not her friends. Not her family. The one person she should be able to rely on, Hardin, is furious when he discovers the massive secret she's been keeping. And rather than being understanding, he turns to sabotage. Tessa knows Hardin loves her and will do anything to protect her, but there's a difference between loving someone and being able to have them in your life. This cycle of jealousy, unpredictable anger, and forgiveness is exhausting. She's never felt so intensely for anyone, so exhilarated by someone's kiss—but is the irrepressible heat between her and Hardin worth all the drama? Love used to be enough to hold them together. But if Tessa follows her heart now, will it be...the end?

**A Manual for Cleaning Women** - Lucia Berlin 2015-08-18

"I have always had faith that the best writers will rise to the top, like cream, sooner or later, and will become exactly as well-known as they should be—their work talked about, quoted, taught, performed, filmed, set to music, anthologized. Perhaps, with the present collection, Lucia Berlin will begin to gain the attention she deserves." -Lydia Davis A MANUAL FOR CLEANING WOMEN compiles the best work of the legendary short-story writer Lucia Berlin. With the grit of Raymond Carver, the humor of Grace Paley, and a blend of wit and melancholy all her own, Berlin crafts miracles from the everyday, uncovering moments of grace in the Laundromats and halfway houses of the American Southwest, in the homes of the Bay Area upper class, among switchboard operators and struggling mothers, hitchhikers and bad Christians. Readers will revel in this remarkable collection from a master of the form and wonder how they'd ever overlooked her in the first place.

**Why Mommy Drinks** - Gill Sims 2017-11-21

Why Mommy Drinks is the brilliant novel from Gill Sims, the author of the online sensation Peter and Jane.

**A History of Gold and Money, 1450 to 1920** - Pierre Vilar 1991

For much of human history, the motive force behind war, conquest, social conflict and world exploration has been the drive to acquire gold. From the ancient world of Croesus to the wealthy dynasties of Renaissance Italy, from the earliest European explorations into Africa, America, and Asia to the gold rushes of the nineteenth century and the banking crises that lay beyond them, Pierre Vilar depicts the awesome power of avarice to structure the world in which we live. The insidious power of gold and money is the subject of this enlightening and entertaining history. The age of exploration brought an influx of treasure into Western Europe, prompting disputes between theologians and early economists over the causes of inflation in the sixteenth century. In time, American silver distorted metropolitan Spanish society beyond recognition. Vilar goes on to examine the roots of the modern banking and financial systems in institutions

founded in Holland, England and France during the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. And in the nineteenth century, the gold rushes of Australia, California and South Africa generated new modifications in the international monetary system. Vilar concludes the story of these developments with a discussion of the crisis of the 1920s that, in the wake of the world credit crash of 2008, is more pertinent than ever. A History of Gold and Money provides a unique work of synthesis on the role of money in modern economic history.

**The Winner Stands Alone** - Paulo Coelho 2009-04-07

"[Coelho's] special talent seems to be his ability to speak to everyone at once. The kind of spirituality he espouses is to all comers. . . . His readers often say that they see their own lives in his own books." —New Yorker From the bestselling author of The Alchemist, Paulo Coelho, comes an absorbing new novel that holds a mirror up to our culture's obsession with fame, glamour, and celebrity.

**Tavistock Institute** - Daniel Estulin 2015-09-14

The real story behind the Tavistock Institute and its network, from a popular conspiracy expert The Tavistock Institute, in Sussex, England, describes itself as a nonprofit charity that applies social science to contemporary issues and problems. But this book posits that it is the world's center for mass brainwashing and social engineering activities. It grew from a somewhat crude beginning at Wellington House into a sophisticated organization that was to shape the destiny of the entire planet, and in the process, change the paradigm of modern society. In this eye-opening work, both the Tavistock network and the methods of brainwashing and psychological warfare are uncovered. With connections to U.S. research institutes, think tanks, and the drug industry, the Tavistock has a large reach, and Tavistock Institute attempts to show that the conspiracy is real, who is behind it, what its final long term objectives are, and how we the people can stop them.

**Beautiful Disaster** - Jamie McGuire 2012-07-12

A New York Times and USA TODAY bestseller about a good girl dangerously drawn to the ultimate bad boy. The new Abby Abernathy is a good girl. She doesn't drink or swear, and she has the appropriate number of cardigans in her wardrobe. Abby believes she has enough distance from the darkness of her past, but when she arrives at college with her best friend, her path to a new beginning is quickly challenged by Eastern University's Walking One-Night Stand. Travis Maddox, lean, cut, and covered in tattoos, is exactly what Abby wants—and needs—to avoid. He spends his nights winning money in a floating fight ring, and his days as the ultimate college campus charmer. Intrigued by Abby's resistance to his appeal, Travis tricks her into his daily life with a simple bet. If he loses, he must remain abstinent for a month. If Abby loses, she must live in Travis's apartment for the same amount of time. Either way, Travis has no idea that he has met his match.

**Sexy Dressing Etc** - Duncan Kennedy 1995-08-11

Kennedy argues that American radicalism is possible and desirable. One base for radical politics is the institutional workplace; another is popular culture (hence, sexy dressing). Kennedy's aim is to wed the rebelliousness, irony, and irrationalism of cultural modernism and postmodernism to the earnestness of political correctness.

**Behind the Curtains** - Carmen Martín Gaité 1990

Traces the lives of several young women growing up in a provincial Spanish town during Franco's authoritarian rule

**Microcosmos** - Lynn Margulis 1997-05-29

BACK IN PRINT WITH A REVISED PREFACE Microcosmos brings together the remarkable discoveries of microbiology of the past two decades and the pioneering research of Dr. Margulis to create a vivid new picture of the world that is crucial to our understanding of the future of the planet. Addressed to general readers, the book provides a beautifully written view of evolution as a process based on interdependency and their interconnectedness of all life on the planet.

**lalylala's Beetles, Bugs and Butterflies** - Lydia Tresselt 2017-10-01

Hello bug lovers and crochet adventurers! Grab your research equipment (magnifying glass, flask of tea, crochet hook, scissors and yarn) and follow us into a world full of magic and science, a microcosm of tiny creatures and big dreams! In this book you will find not only a charming selection of crochet patterns to

create scrabbling beetles, beautiful bugs and fluttering butterfly crochet amigurumi, but also a wonderful story to read out loud and ponder on: a tale about growing up; accepting change and the power of dreams. Watch tiny creatures hatching from their eggs, look on as they munch through a green world, and be astonished at their marvelous transformations when they finally slip out of their cocoons. The wings and hats are interchangeable so you can use the patterns in this book to create new outfits for your little insect friends. Give your caterpillar a new set of wings for every day of the week, or cover your beetle in the most colourful wing suits. Be inspired by nature to make creatures of your own creation. It's a great little world full of possibilities. We wish you lots of fun on your journey of discovery and learning!

*Visual Merchandising for Fashion* - Sarah Bailey 2021-10-21

Where do shoppers meet before heading out to browse the stores? Why might they go to a particular shop and not another? What first attracts them to a brand or garment? Visual merchandising is concerned with all these questions, spanning the relationship between consumer, environment, brand and product. As part of the Basics Fashion Management series, Bailey and Baker introduce the principles underpinning successful visual merchandising using examples from budget, mid-range and luxury brands. These real-world examples take the form of detailed case studies and interviews, providing hands-on advice from all levels of industry. This revised edition includes additional coverage of online visual merchandising, lighting techniques, mannequin dressing and integrating technology into displays.

**'Salem's Lot** - Stephen King 2008-05-06

**#1 BESTSELLER** • Ben Mears has returned to Jerusalem's Lot in hopes that exploring the history of the Marsten House, an old mansion long the subject of rumor and speculation, will help him cast out his personal devils and provide inspiration for his new book. But when two young boys venture into the woods, and only one returns alive, Mears begins to realize that something sinister is at work. In fact, his hometown is under siege from forces of darkness far beyond his imagination. And only he, with a small group of allies, can hope to contain the evil that is growing within the borders of this small New England town. With this, his second novel, Stephen King established himself as an indisputable master of American horror, able to transform the old conceits of the genre into something fresh and all the more frightening for taking place in a familiar, idyllic locale.

*Dress-Up Amigurumi* - Soledad Iglesias Silva 2021-11

Dress to impress! Hugo the Bear, Becca the Deer, Duncan the Dog and Ray the Elephant have opened their wardrobes and it's up to you to make, mix and match. Designer Madelen?n has created 4 huggable amigurumi friends who can change into 25 adorable outfits. You can make the most stunning outfit combinations, as everything fits on every animal character in the book. Turn Hugo into a Cupid with heart-shaped arrows and show Ray as a gallant knight. Becca would like to become a firewoman, and Duncan loves having his duck floatie with him when going for a swim. Or simply dress up your favorite character for a rainy day, a fun Christmas party or a day at the beach, there's an outfit for every season and every occasion! Slip into something comfy and get crocheting. With step-by-step pictures and video tutorials, beginners as well as advanced crocheters can fit out these charming dress-up designs in no time.

*The Thorn Birds* - Colleen McCullough 2010-05-11

One of the most beloved novels of all time, Colleen McCullough's magnificent saga of dreams, struggles,

dark passions, and forbidden love in the Australian outback has enthralled readers the world over. *The Thorn Birds* is a chronicle of three generations of Clearys—an indomitable clan of ranchers carving lives from a beautiful, hard land while contending with the bitterness, frailty, and secrets that penetrate their family. It is a poignant love story, a powerful epic of struggle and sacrifice, a celebration of individuality and spirit. Most of all, it is the story of the Clearys' only daughter, Meggie, and the haunted priest, Father Ralph de Bricassart—and the intense joining of two hearts and souls over a lifetime, a relationship that dangerously oversteps sacred boundaries of ethics and dogma.

*The Shadow of the Wind* - Carlos Ruiz Zafon 2011-12-16

Barcelona 1945: young Daniel Sempere is taken to a fabulous secret library called the Cemetery of Forgotten Books where he is told he must 'adopt' a single book, promising to care for it always. Entranced by his chosen book, *The Shadow of the Wind*, Daniel begins a quest to find the truth about the life and death of its mysterious author.

**Eva Luna** - Isabel Allende 2018-05-03

**\*\*The remarkable novel from the multi-million-bestselling author of *The House of the Spirits* and *The Japanese Lover\*\**** Meet the unforgettable Eva Luna: a lover, a writer, a revolutionary and above all, a storyteller. Eva Luna is the daughter of a professor's assistant and a snake-bitten gardener - born poor, orphaned at an early age and working as a servant. Eva is a naturally gifted and imaginative storyteller who meets people from all walks of life. Though she has no wealth, she trades her stories like currency with people who are kind to her. As she shares her stories, she introduces an eccentric cast of characters: the Lebanese émigré who takes her in, her Catholic godmother who believes in saints, a street urchin who grows up to be the leader of the guerrilla struggle, a celebrated trans cabaret star and a young refugee whose flight from postwar Europe will change Eva's life forever. As Eva tells her story, Isabel Allende brings to life a complex South American country - the rich, the poor, the sophisticated - in a novel that celebrates the power of imagination and storytelling. Praise for Isabel Allende's *Eva Luna*: 'Vibrant, colourful characters; the ordinary fused with the grotesque; a Latin American setting, tropical this time; vivid, elegant narrative. The narrator, Eva Luna, is herself a story-teller in the Allende tradition' *Guardian* 'An evident affection for words, compassion for the oppressed and the inarticulate, the daring ambition to draw cross-sections of whole societies . . . Allende's work glows' *New York Times* 'Sumptuous . . . a tale that spans forty years and moves from a surreal jungle to a modern-day urban capital where even the most apolitical are driven to risky anti-government activities' *Chicago Tribune* 'Allende rearranges reality with a blend of memories, mysticism and imagination' *The Philadelphia Inquirer* 'A remarkable novel, one in which a cascade of stories tumbled out before the reader, stories vivid and passionate and human' *Washington Post* 'Magnificent . . . Allende is a prodigious fabulist, weaving extraordinary tales' *Publishers Weekly*

**Kafka on the Shore** - Haruki Murakami 2005-01-18

*Kafka on the Shore* displays one of the world's great storytellers at the peak of his powers. Here we meet a teenage boy, Kafka Tamura, who is on the run, and Nakata, an aging simpleton who is drawn to Kafka for reasons that he cannot fathom. As their paths converge, acclaimed author Haruki Murakami enfold readers in a world where cats talk, fish fall from the sky, and spirits slip out of their bodies to make love or commit murder, in what is a truly remarkable journey.