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Boxing. SALFORD LADS The Rise and Fall of Paul Massey; When legendary old school villain Paul Massey immersed himself in the murky world of his modern-day counterparts, he was executed with a machine gun on the drive of his home. Contained within these pages, is his story. It is a story that will horrify the non criminal mind and lay bare, how Massey unwittingly became the architect of his own demise. Massey was not the only casualty of a toxic feud that had ignited between two Salford gangs following the most trivial of disputes. John Kinsella, a close friend of Massey's, was gunned down in front of his pregnant partner. A seven-year-old boy and his mother were shot, a hand grenade was hurled through the front window of a family home, an attempt was made to behead a man with a machete and an orgy of beatings, stabbings, kidnappings and shootings were carried out in the name of respect. In today's underworld, the old school criminal code has been confined to the bin. Being known as a hard man, once demanded respect, but no more. Guns, and having the mindset to use one, often for little or no reason, has become the norm. Drugs are the currency and death often the penalty for a discrepancy or misdemeanour. It is an unforgiving world that Paul Massey helped to create and a world, that ultimately resulted in his death. A RICK FULLER THRILLER. Book 5, THE FELLOWSHIP. Todd Blackman's murderers are dead and Yunfakh, the latest organised crime gang to come out of the Arab world have been driven from the streets of Manchester. But MI6 and the CIA are

now determined to rid the rest of the world of this powerful new gang by targeting their leader Abdallah Al-Mufti. With Des wounded, Cartwright tasks Rick to travel to Southern Ireland alone. Posing as an old IRA player, Fuller's job is to buy a stockpile of weapons left over from the Troubles and sell them to men he hopes will lead him to Al-Mufti. However, what is left of the Provo's have other ideas. Even twenty years on, Rick Fuller's scalp is a precious commodity. With action from beginning to end, *THE FELLOWSHIP* is a rip roaring ride that will keep you turning the pages until the very end. When ex SAS hero, Rick Fuller first arrived in Manchester, he was a man devastated by grief, and drinking straight from the bottle. Rick needed to get back to work, and to do that, he required a new identity. Fuller gave the last of his cash, to expert forger and gun runner, Spiros Makris. The Greek turned Richard Fuller, into Stephen Colletti overnight, and the pair began a business relationship that would see them both become very rich men. Now, Makris is missing, and Rick is determined to solve the mystery of his disappearance. Fuller's investigations lead him back into the seedy depths of Manchester's underworld, then onward, to the home of the most powerful Mafia on the planet... Albania. After the shocking toll inflicted on the team in Ireland, is taking on the Albanian Mafia in their own back yard, just one step too far for Rick Fuller? WINNER OF THE McKITTERICK PRIZE 2022 'Madcap, hugely rich and entertaining' GQ 'Enjoyable, deft and humorous' The Times 'Entertaining, acute and remarkably prescient' TLS 'A book from the psychic fault-lines of 21st Century Britain . . . simultaneously down to earth and epic' Johny Pitts, author of *Afropean Peterdown*, an industrial town with a noble past and a lacklustre present, has been chosen as the regional hub of Britain's first state-of-the-art bullet train network. High Speed+ promises the town a prosperous future but to make way for the new station, a local landmark will have to be razed to the ground. On the shortlist are the Larkspur housing estate, a significant modernist masterpiece; and the Chapel, the beloved home of the town's football team. Local sports reporter Colin is as desperate to save the Chapel as his architect partner Ellie is determined to save the Larkspur, and they soon find themselves leading increasingly passionate and opposing campaigns. Out of this spins an epic, wide-angle novel, rich with character and incident. Affairs are embarked upon. Conspiracies are uncovered. A broad-based popular insurgency ignites. *Peterdown* is a riotous novel that brings England's beleaguered streetscape to life and finds lurking there a playful and storied counterculture: mad monks and machine breakers, avant-gardists and non-conformists Rick Fuller, a once decorated SAS hero, now Manchester hit-man, likes nothing better than disposing of his employer's rivals in return for a suitcase of cash. His spectacular fall from grace and obsession to discover the identity of the IRA terrorist who gunned down his wife, all but destroyed him. Ten years have passed since that fateful day, and Ireland has seen many changes. Patrick

O'Donnell, the man who slaughtered Cathy Fuller on her doorstep in Hereford in 1996 is now the First Minister of the Province, and on the face of it, a trusted and respected politician. The British Secret Service know that O'Donnell is secretly the leader of the New IRA, a group determined to re-ignite the troubles and destabilise the peace process. Not only is The Firm willing to assist Fuller and his team to assassinate O'Donnell, but will pay handsomely for the privilege. 'The Fire' is book two in the Rick Fuller Trilogy... The game is definitely back on. The last days of the 20th Century saw a major crackdown on Manchester's warring gangs. But soon new groups emerged, with names like the Young Gooch Crew, the Moss Side Bloods, the Old Trafford Crips, the Longsight Street Soldiers and the Fallowfield Mad Dogs. Younger and even more violent than their predecessors, they baited their rivals with explicit grime tracks and internet videos and unleashed a wave of bloodshed. SHOOTERS tells the story of these gangs and their various alliances, feuds and crimes. Using detailed court testimony and inside accounts, it gives a rare insight into the lethal conflict between the Pitt Bulls and the Longsight Crew; tells how two underworld armourers dubbed Bobby the Gun and the Merchant of Death supplied the gunmen with reactivated weapons; chronicles the infamous bloodbath at the Brass Handles pub in Salford, when two would-be assassins were themselves executed; and reveals the inner workings of the drug-dealing L\$\$ posse. It also recounts the story of Gooch leaders Colin Joyce and Stephen Amos, whose arrest for murder led to one of Britain's biggest-ever trials; pieces together the events behind the notorious killings of teenagers such as Jessie James, Giuseppe Gregory and Louis Brathwaite; examines the methods of the audacious armed robbers of Salford; and describes the rise of lethal Asian gangs and their influence in the neighbouring towns of Bolton and Oldham. SHOOTERS is a powerful account of one city's ongoing struggle with the law of the gun. In the winter of 1996, on the orders of the British Government, the SAS stole the contents of a safe belonging to the Provisional IRA. Rick Fuller headed that team. Days later Fuller's wife was brutally murdered at his home. Convinced he was betrayed from within, Fuller begins a relentless search for her murderers and the men who gave the order. Ten years on Fuller is a Manchester gangland enforcer, a lone and bitter figure. Fuller recruits an old colleague to help him recover a consignment of cocaine from Amsterdam. In the search, doors open on the past and Fuller can finally take his revenge on the men who betrayed him. Thomas Hearn ranks as one of the greatest and most exciting fighters of all-time. From his explosion onto the pro boxing scene with seventeen straight knockouts, he struck fear into opponents and awe into spectators. He went on to feature in some of the most thrilling bouts ever and became the first champion to win six titles at different weights. He will forever be known by his chilling nickname: the "Hit Man". Co-written by Brian Hughes, Britain's leading boxing trainer, Hit Man delves inside

this complex, charismatic character to present a compelling portrait of a modern sports legend. Reviews 'Compelling.' -- DAILY STAR 'One of the best biographies of a professional fighter since 'Unforgiveable Blackness'. A must read for all boxing fans.' -- SADDOBOXING.COM 'A fine tribute to a great, great fighter.' -- DUBLIN EVENING HERALD 'The Hit Man unleashed.' -- THE RING 'An engrossing book on a thrilling fighter.' -- BOXING MONTHLY A hilarious diary of a young American soccer fan, who supports Malcolm Glazer's new Manchester Buccaneers 'My name is Roswell P. Shambling. I'm a 12-year-old Tampa Bay Buccaneers fan. I saw Malcolm Glazer bought EPL soccer side Manchester and they are now my favourite franchise. Manchester rules, man!' Roswell is an American youngster who likes Malcolm Glazer and has decided to support Manchester United (or Manchester as he calls them). From his home in Tampa, he follows all the latest developments of his new team, commenting on what he believes Sir Ferguson should do, worrying about Ferdinand Rio getting into a bar brawl in the northern English town of Sweden (and why would he be there when Manchester is in the south?), sadly watching his beloved Roy Keano leave and questioning why he never played for England, delighting in watching Manchester take on the Russian side London Chelseas and seeing the Roonaldo brothers succeed ... Roswell attempts to spread the word about Manchester and their successes and failures against teams such as Tott Nam, made up predominantly of young Vietnamese players, through his website, but unfortunately his thoughts are now always well received, with hilarious consequences... From the moment he walks into his Manhattan office to find his beloved secretary Velda knocked unconscious, and a brutally murdered stranger occupying his office chair, PI Mike Hammer is on the warpath. He's 'in a blind fury ready to blow somebody into a death full of bloody flying parts'. Whoever killed the stranger knew exactly the kind of message he wanted to leave, and he added a note for good measure - a note that implicates Mike. Hammer finds himself pitted not only against the CIA, but also the State Department and the mob. He's going to need all the help he can get - including the latest IT - in his hunt for what may be the most vicious killer he's ever met. It was just another Tuesday morning when she walked into the office—young, as I suspected they all might be, another dark brunette with some assistance and enough eye black to match up to Cleopatra. And who am I? I'm Ray, the world's last robot, famed and feared in equal measure, which suits me just fine—after all, the last place you'd expect to find Hollywood's best hit man is in the plain light of day. Raymond Electromatic is good at his job, the lone employee of the Electromatic Detective Agency—except for Ada, office gal and super-computer, the constant voice in Ray's inner ear. Ray might have taken up a new line of work, but money is money, after all, and he was programmed to make a profit. Besides, with his twenty-four-hour memory-tape limits, he sure can keep a

secret. When a familiar-looking woman arrives at the agency wanting to hire Ray to find a missing movie star, he's inclined to tell her to take a hike. But she had the cold hard cash, a demand for total anonymity, and tendency to vanish on her own. Plunged into a glittering world of fame, fortune, and secrecy, Ray uncovers a sinister plot that goes much deeper than the silver screen—and this robot is at the wrong place, at the wrong time. Made to Kill is the thrilling new speculative noir from novelist and comic writer Adam Christopher. Ray Electromatic Mysteries Brisk Money Made to Kill Standard Hollywood Depravity Killing is My Business At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied. In his own words, Bret Hart's honest, perceptive, startling account of his life in and out of the pro wrestling ring. The sixth-born son of the pro wrestling dynasty founded by Stu Hart and his elegant wife, Helen, Bret Hart is a Canadian icon. As a teenager, he could have been an amateur wrestling Olympic contender, but instead he turned to the family business, climbing into the ring for his dad's western circuit, Stampede Wrestling. From his early twenties until he retired at 43, Hart kept an audio diary, recording stories of the wrestling life, the relentless travel, the practical jokes, the sex and drugs, and the real rivalries (as opposed to the staged ones). The result is an intimate, no-holds-barred account that will keep readers, not just wrestling fans, riveted. Hart achieved superstardom in pink tights, and won multiple wrestling belts in multiple territories, for both the WWF (now the WWE) and WCW. But he also paid the price in betrayals (most famously by Vince McMahon, a man he had served loyally); in tragic deaths, including the loss of his brother Owen, who died when a stunt went terribly wrong; and in his own massive stroke, most likely resulting from a concussion he received in the ring, and from which, with the spirit of a true champion, he has battled back. Widely considered by his peers as one of the business's best technicians and workers, Hart describes pro wrestling as part dancing, part acting, and part dangerous physical pursuit. He is proud that in all his years in the ring he never seriously hurt a single wrestler, yet did his utmost to deliver to his fans an experience as credible as it was exciting. He also records the incredible toll the business takes on its workhorses: he estimates that twenty or more of the wrestlers he was regularly matched with have died young, weakened by their own coping mechanisms, namely drugs, alcohol, and steroids. That toll included his own brother-in-law, Davey Boy Smith. No one has ever written about wrestling like Bret Hart. No one has ever lived a life like Bret Hart's. For as long as I can remember, my world was filled with liars and bullshitters, losers and pretenders, but I also saw the good side of pro wrestling. To me there is something bordering on beautiful about a brotherhood of big tough men who pretended to hurt one another for a living instead of actually doing it. Any idiot can hurt someone. —from Hitman Forget everything you already knew about the Fabulous Killjoys!

Writers Gerard Way and Shaun Simon, along with Illustrator Leonardo Romero (Hawkeye), colorist Jordie Bellaire (Redlands), and letterer Nate Piekos (The Umbrella Academy) team up to present an all-new modern day Killjoys series, as Way and Simon take it all the way back to the original story that inspired My Chemical Romance's concept album *Danger Days* and its dystopian comic book series in *The True Lives of the Fabulous Killjoys: National Anthem*. The Fabulous Killjoys, once a group of teenage exterminators determined to save reality, have lost their way--and their memories. After a period of mental confinement, former Killjoys leader Mike Milligram gets de-programmed and hits the road to bring the gang back together for a final showdown against an evil pharmaceutical corporation, their monstrous hitman, and savage gang rivals. This oversized hardcover collects issues #1-#6 of *National Anthem*--the Deluxe format also includes a slipcase designed by Tony Ong, an exclusive print by Leonardo Romero and Jordie Bellaire, as well as a brand new eight-page Killjoys story exclusive to the hardcovers. A desperate man attempts to win a reality TV game where the only objective is to stay alive in this #1 national bestseller from Stephen King, writing as Richard Bachman. "Tomorrow at noon, the hunt begins. Remember his face!" Ben Richards is a desperate man. With no job, no money, no way out, and a young daughter in need of proper medical attention, he must turn to the only possibility of striking it rich in this near-future dystopian America: participating in the ultraviolent TV programming of the government-sanctioned Games Network. Ben soon finds himself selected as a contestant on the biggest and the best that the Games Network has to offer: *The Running Man*, a no-holds-barred thirty-day struggle to stay alive as public enemy number one, relentlessly hunted by an elite strike force bent on killing him as quickly as possible in front of an audience all too eager to see that happen. It means a billion dollars in prize money if he can live for the next month. No one has ever survived longer than eight days. But desperation can push a person do things they never thought possible—and Ben Richards is willing to go the distance in this ultimate game of life and death.... "Under any name King mesmerizes the reader." —Chicago Sun-Times "No one does psychological terror better!" —Kirkus Reviews "One of America's top storytellers." —Toronto Star #1 New York Times Bestseller Winner of the Edgar® Award Drawing from his experience as a correspondent in Iraq, Alex Berenson exploded onto the thriller scene with this perfectly crafted, highly-acclaimed debut novel—"a timely reminder of the extremely precarious way we live now" (The Washington Post). Years ago, John Wells was an all-American boy from Montana. Now, he is roaming the mountains of Pakistan as a member of al Qaeda. After a decade away from home, he despises the United States for its decadence. He hates America's shallow, mindless culture of vice and violence. He is a devout Muslim. He is a brave warrior for Allah. He is a CIA operative. And he is coming home...

"Child's best for some time...with detective-story and romcom elements (even sly humour) on top of the psychological duels and set-piece violence." (Sunday Times)

Jack Reacher has no place to go, and all the time in the world to get there. A remote railroad stop on the prairie with the curious name of Mother's Rest seems perfect for an aimless one-day stopover. He expects to find a lonely pioneer tombstone in a sea of nearly-ripe wheat. Instead there is a woman waiting for a missing colleague, a cryptic note about two hundred deaths, and a small town full of silent, watchful people. Reacher's one-day stopover turns into an open-ended quest leading to the most hidden reaches of the internet, and right into the nightmare heart of darkness. _____

Although the Jack Reacher novels can be read in any order, *Make Me* is 20th in the series. And be sure not to miss Reacher's newest adventure, no.27, *No Plan B!* ***OUT NOW***

What would you do if you felt like you were dying and the only thing that could save you was the very thing that was killing you? Persia Chandler doesn't know the meaning of the world struggle. After the arrest of her notorious father, she is whisked away from Harlem, the only place she has ever called home, to be raised in an affluent neighborhood in Long Island City. Her mother and stepfather shower her with the best that life has to offer. During her senior year in high school, she convinces her parents to let her transfer from Catholic school to attend public school. That is the start of her problems--but it's hardly the end. In her new school, Persia is reunited with the friends she was forced to move away from, and starts to drift further and further from the life her mother and stepfather have built for her. To the sheltered Persia, the Harlem underworld is like one big adventure. Things promise to get even more interesting when she starts dating a dealer named Chucky. He introduces her to his world of sex, money, and drugs, dragging Persia along with him on a long and bitter ride into the bowels of addiction. Clarion Rating: 4 out of 5

"A timely and quirky romance novel...featuring plenty of mishaps and face masks, *Six Feet Apart* is a charming, COVID-inflected romance about love during an unending lockdown." Claire Foster, Clarion Book Review

Passion is contagious! Love in a pandemic can't be quarantined in this offbeat, playful romance. Can social distancing turn up the heat, rather than smother the flames? Luna James, a reluctant, wanna-be influencer, unexpectedly meets a mysterious undiscovered musician, Stryker Caine. He is self absorbed, and thinks the world revolves around him. She is beautiful, yet shy, and struggles with attention. A quirky character, Luna's voice is fresh and bubbly. There is dash of speculative fiction involved in the book and its futuristic setting. This book is an easy, sexy and fun read! Follow Luna for a fun, humorous journey making life in the pandemic a little more bearable. The story flows nicely making it hard to put the book down as the nuances and complexities of Luna and Stryker's magnetic relationship unfold. Ultimately, who will find redemption? Featuring original songs. Probationary

Constable Dave Stewart knew that William Bailey was guilty of murder. All he had to do to convict him was change one line in his statement. Detective Chief Superintendent John McCauley loves dirt. He collects it in secret files to use against his enemies and since Stewart slept with the beautiful Detective Sergeant Anne Wallace, he is the enemy. Stewart hatches a plan to destroy the evidence against him, but what he finds inside those files, is evidence of a vile paedophile ring operating under McCauley's nose. Now three people are dead and Dave Stewart is the prime suspect. Set in 1980's England, 'Dirty' is a dark and disturbing murder mystery that pulls no punches. "The funny, violent adventures of Etrigan the Demon, as written by PREACHER co-creator Garth Ennis, are collected for the first time." THE NEXT BOOK IN THE #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING JACK REACHER SERIES THAT INSPIRED THE SECOND SEASON OF THE HIT STREAMING SERIES REACHER "Electrifying . . . this series [is] utterly addictive."—Janet Maslin, The New York Times From a helicopter high above the California desert, a man is sent free-falling into the night. On the streets of Portland, Jack Reacher is pulled out of his wandering life and plunged into the heart of a conspiracy that is killing old friends . . . and the people he once trusted with his life. Reacher is the ultimate loner—no phone, no ties, no address. But a woman from his old military unit has found him using a signal only the eight members of their elite team would know. Then she tells him a terrifying story about the brutal death of a man they both served with. Soon Reacher is reuniting with the survivors of his team, scrambling to unravel the sudden disappearance of two other comrades. But Reacher won't give up—because in a world of bad luck and trouble, when someone targets Jack Reacher and his team, they'd better be ready for what comes right back at them. 'Wonderfully dark, extremely funny' proclaimed ADAM KAY, author of the No.1 bestselling This is Going to Hurt 'A filmic romp with great characters, a jet-propelled plot, and a winning premise' said the GUARDIAN JASON MANFORD thinks it's 'Hilarious. You'll never look at Manchester the same way again.' The Chronicles of St Mary's series author JODI TAYLOR declared 'I loved this . . . great premise - great story - great characters . . . hugely enjoyable.' And THE TIMES called it 'ripping entertainment from start to finish.' There are dark forces at work in our world (and in Manchester in particular), so thank God The Stranger Times is on hand to report them . . . A weekly newspaper dedicated to the weird and the wonderful (but mostly the weird), it is the go-to publication for the unexplained and inexplicable. At least that's their pitch. The reality is rather less auspicious. Their editor is a drunken, foul-tempered and foul-mouthed husk of a man who thinks little of the publication he edits. His staff are a ragtag group of misfits. And as for the assistant editor . . . well, that job is a revolving door - and it has just revolved to reveal Hannah Willis, who's got problems of her own. When tragedy strikes in her first week on the job The

Stranger Times is forced to do some serious investigating. What they discover leads to a shocking realisation: some of the stories they'd previously dismissed as nonsense are in fact terrifyingly real. Soon they come face-to-face with darker forces than they could ever have imagined. The Stranger Times is the first novel from C.K. McDonnell, the pen name of Caimh McDonnell. It combines his distinctive dark wit with his love of the weird and wonderful to deliver a joyous celebration of how truth really can be stranger than fiction. Readers love The Stranger Times: ***** 'A delight from start to finish - laugh out loud funny yet with plenty of thrills.' ***** 'Full of wit and humour, and knows how to keep the reader hooked.' ***** 'You'll soon fall in love . . . fans of Pratchett, Gaiman, Aaronovich will be blown away.' This is a print on demand edition of a hard to find publication. Explores whether sufficient data exists to examine the temporal and spatial relationships that existed in terrorist group planning, and if so, could patterns of preparatory conduct be identified? About one-half of the terrorists resided, planned, and prepared for terrorism relatively close to their eventual target. The terrorist groups existed for 1,205 days from the first planning meeting to the date of the actual/planned terrorist incident. The planning process for specific acts began 2-3 months prior to the terrorist incident. This study examined selected terrorist groups/incidents in the U.S. from 1980-2002. It provides for the potential to identify patterns of conduct that might lead to intervention prior to the commission of the actual terrorist incidents. Illustrations. From the #1 New York Times bestselling author of Vince Flynn's Mitch Rapp Series Special Agent Mark Beamon is a maverick. His open disdain for the FBI's rules--and Directors--has exiled him to a no-profile post in the boondocks. But when a shadowy right-wing group starts flooding America's emergency rooms with dead and dying, Beamon is summoned back to Washington. Teamed with an icily efficient female field agent, he is given the thankless task of stopping the slaughter--even though millions of Americans secretly approve of it! As the body count rises, Beamon realizes there is something eerily familiar about his adversary, reminding him of the coldest killer he ever encountered--not a criminal but a law enforcement colleague. And for the first time, he wonders why he was chosen for this assignment. Was it his expertise--or his expendability? The teenage son of front running US Presidential Candidate, Senator JE Blackman, is found horribly murdered in a Manchester apartment. Blackman knows that if the intimate details of the crime become public, his political ambitions will be in ruins. There can be no arrests, no trial. The Senator is one of the world's richest men. Wealthy enough to make Washington dance to his tune and demand the CIA solve his problem. Their solution? Find a deniable operative. A man that knows the city and its criminal underworld. A man that will seek out the killers and dispose of them, without a second thought. A damaged ex SAS hero that will do anything if the price is right. A man called Rick Fuller. THE

FOLLOWER is book four in the best selling Rick Fuller Thriller Series. Furiously paced, deliciously violent and with laugh out loud humour. This action packed thriller will appeal to readers who like Lee Child, Stephen Leather and Chris Ryan. Praise for the Rick Fuller Series: "A cracking action adventure series with a great cast, all set in Manchester... Breathtaking" " Among the darkest corners of Kentucky's past are the grisly feuds that tore apart the hills of Eastern Kentucky from the late nineteenth century until well into the twentieth. Now, from the tangled threads of conflicting testimony, John Ed Pearce, Kentucky's best known journalist, weaves engrossing accounts of six of the most notorious accounts to uncover what really happened and why. His story of those days of darkness brings to light new evidence, questions commonly held beliefs about the feuds, and us and long-running feuds—those in Breathitt, Clay Harlan, Perry, Pike, and Rowan counties. What caused the feuds that left Kentucky with its lingering reputation for violence? Who were the feudists, and what forces—social, political, financial—hurled them at each other? Did Big Jim Howard really kill Governor William Goebel? Did Joe Eversole die trying to protect small mountain landowners from ruthless Eastern mineral exploiters? Did the Hatfield-McCoy fight start over a hog? For years, Pearce has interviewed descendants of feuding families and examined skimpy court records and often fictional newspaper reports to rest some of the more popular legends. "In the next few days you will master the rules and techniques for every activity, skill, talent, sport and art ever mastered by any human being anywhere. You will be as expert at clipping flints as at architectural drawing. You will be able to juggle, walk a tightrope and add the numerals on the sides of passing freight cars as fast as any idiot savant. You'll absorb all the information in all the books - the human race's entire heritage of knowledge..." This was only the beginning of the experiment that was to turn a petty thief into the most brilliant and powerful man ever to hold the earth in thrall. This was only the first step on the path of conquest mapped out for - THE ULTIMAX MAN. At the end of the 1970s, Manchester seemed to be sliding into the dustbin of history. Today the city is an international destination for culture and sport, and one of the fastest-growing urban regions in Europe. This book offers a first-hand account of what happened in between. Arriving in Manchester as a wide-eyed student in 1979, Andy Spinoza went on to establish the arts magazine City Life before working for the Manchester Evening News and creating his own PR firm. In a forty-year career he has encountered a who's who of Manchester personalities, from cultural icons such as Tony Wilson to Manchester United manager Sir Alex Ferguson and influential council leaders Sir Richard Leese and Sir Howard Bernstein. His remarkable account traces Manchester's gradual emergence from its post-industrial malaise, centring on the legendary nightclub the Hacienda and the cultural renaissance it inspired. Manchester unspun begins in the gloom of a city still

bearing the scars of the Second World War and ends among the shiny towers of an aspiring twenty-first-century metropolis. It is an insider's tale of deals done, government and corporate decision-making, nightclubs, music and entrepreneurs. The second book in the bestselling Dan 'Spider' Shepherd series. There's only one thing more dangerous than a corrupt cop . . . and that's a corrupt cop with a gun. When a group of armed police in an elite unit turn maverick and start to rip off drug dealers at gunpoint, undercover cop Dan 'Spider' Shepherd is given his most dangerous mission so far. Shepherd is ordered to infiltrate the tight-knit team, to gain their confidence and to ultimately betray them. Facing men with guns is nothing new for the former SAS trooper, but it's the first time he's had to investigate his own. And the job couldn't have come at a worse time for him. As Shepherd finds himself in the firing line, he has to decide exactly where his loyalties lie. Psychological sharpshooters, fickle football fans and prodigious people who choose to use and misuse their incredible talents invite you into this collection of their jumbled-up worlds. During dark days at work where people reflect both on what could have been and on what could still be, things are never quite what they seem, and never turn out as expected. Crafted to be short and snappy enough for coffee breaks, but long in the memory, Steve Morris maintains the momentum from his first book "In All Probability" with more of his diverse short stories of the unexpected. You'll never take anything for granted again except perhaps for uncertainty itself. Anything can turn up in a "Jumble Tale." "In All Probability" Reviews "A succinct and precise style" The Truth about Books July 09 "Perfect for a quick read on a coffee break..." "Something to entertain even the most of ardent critics..." MMU Success Magazine Autumn 09 Book reviews online: PublishedBestsellers website. The wild blood-on-the-mat saga of the rise and fall of the infamous Stampede Wrestling company. Back from the brink, Fuller has a thriving business, money in his pocket and even a woman in his life in the shape of the UK's youngest Home Secretary, Rosemary Longthorn-Grey. All is well, until he learns of the release of ex DCI Larry Simpson. After serving just two years in a secure hospital, Lauren's killer is free and walking the streets of Manchester. As the weeks and months pass by, Rick becomes desperate for revenge. It eats at him. But, unknown to Fuller, there is another who seeks their own vengeance, another face from his dim and distant past. And they want Rick dead, just as much as he yearns for Simpson's demise. Tooth for a Tooth is a quest for retribution, a battle for justice, and a fight to the bitter, breath-taking end. Struggling author Billy Dye agrees to ghost the memoirs of Manchester gangster Malcolm Priest. But Priest soon wearies of Billy's big mouth and hires his best hitman to take out the writer. STRIKER has a gift. He sees things other cops don't. Sometimes, it's a blessing. On other occasions, a curse. When a package containing graphic pictures of a murder taking place is delivered to the mother of the victim,

the unconventional and uncompromising detective is called upon to use his special talents to solve the case. With just a small team of specialist officers, including the beautiful psychological profiler, DC Felicity Abbott, Striker quickly learns he is dealing with not one, but two serial killers, who are about to kill one victim, each week. Same time, same place, same MO. Six of them. Who says serial killers don't know when to stop? **SIX**, is the latest Detective Sergeant Striker thriller, from one of the new breed of British authors, Robert White. This dark, violent tale is packed with intrigue and will keep you guessing until the very last pages. For struggling author Billy Dye, ghost writing the memoirs of Manchester gangster Malcolm Priest seems like a great way to make a quick buck, but when Priest tires of the wry writer he hires a vicious hitman to take him out. When the assassin--named Rawhead--turns out to be a schoolfriend he hasn't seen in years, Billy's life is spared and the killer vows to protect him. As the tension mounts and the bodies pile up, Billy discovers that his friend is a terrifying psychopath who will stop at nothing to defend him. And when Rawhead takes an interest in Billy's career, no one--not even in the publishing world--is safe. Violent, fast-paced and hilarious, the novel builds to a stunning climax that will jolt the most jaded suspense reader and leave them breathless. A crime thriller set in modern-day Dublin. "This is Dickens in the present tense, Dickens for the twenty-first century."—Roddy Doyle, *The New York Times Book Review* An Irishman in nineteenth-century England is forced to take sides when his nephew joins the bloody underground movement for independence in this propulsive novel from the acclaimed author of *The North Water*. **NAMED ONE OF THE TEN BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY CHICAGO TRIBUNE AND ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY** The New York Times • The New York Public Library • New Statesman • Publishers Weekly Manchester, England, 1867. The rebels will be hanged at dawn, and their brotherhood is already plotting its revenge. Stephen Doyle, an Irish-American veteran of the Civil War, arrives in Manchester from New York with a thirst for blood. He has joined the Fenians, a secret society intent on ending British rule in Ireland by any means necessary. Head Constable James O'Connor has fled grief and drink in Dublin for a sober start in Manchester. His job is to discover and thwart the Fenians' plans whatever they might be. When a long-lost nephew arrives on O'Connor's doorstep looking for work, he cannot foresee the way his fragile new life will be imperiled—and how his and Doyle's fates will become fatally intertwined. In this propulsive tale of the underground war for Irish independence, the author of *The North Water* once again transports readers to a time when blood begot blood. Moving from the dirt and uproar of industrial Manchester to the quiet hills of rural Pennsylvania, *The Abstinence* is a searing novel in which two men, haunted by their pasts and driven forward by the need for justice and retribution, must fight for life and legacy. 'You couldn't make it up. Brilliant.' Jeffrey Archer

'Decades of war has given James Deegan a natural ability to create a world that is incredibly realistic and exciting. This takes military fiction to a whole new level entirely. Deegan is a master' Tom Marcus Mi5 Surveillance officer, Author of Capture or Kill 'Adolf Island' offers new forensic, archaeological and spatial perspectives on the Nazi forced and slave labour programme that was initiated on the Channel Island of Alderney during its occupation in the Second World War. Drawing on extensive archival research and the results of the first in-field investigations of the 'crime scenes' since 1945, the book identifies and characterises the network of concentration and labour camps, fortifications, burial sites and other material traces connected to the occupation, providing new insights into the identities and experiences of the men and women who lived, worked and died within this landscape. Moving beyond previous studies focused on military aspects of occupation, the book argues that Alderney was intrinsically linked to wider systems of Nazi forced and slave labour.

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