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Unravel the Dusk Dec 26 2022 From the New York Times bestselling author of *Six Crimson Cranes* comes a fantasy filled with courtly intrigue, deceitful demons, and breathtaking gowns ... the stakes are higher than ever in this thrilling sequel to *Spin the Dawn!* Maia Tamarin's journey to sew the dresses of the sun, the moon, and the stars has taken a grievous toll. She returns to a kingdom on the brink of war. Edan, the boy she loves, is gone--perhaps forever--and no sooner does she set foot in the Autumn Palace than she is forced to don the dress of the sun and assume the place of the emperor's bride-to-be to keep the peace. When the emperor's rivals learn of her deception, there is hell to pay, but the war raging around Maia is nothing compared to the battle within. Ever since she was touched by the demon Bandur, she has been changing . . . glancing in the mirror to see her own eyes glowing red; losing control of her magic, her body, her mind. It's only a matter of time before Maia loses herself completely, and in the meantime she will stop at nothing to find Edan, protect her family, and bring lasting peace to her country.

Journey to the River Sea Mar 17 2022 An Amazon adventure set in the wilderness of Brazil, *Journey to the River Sea* is filled with mystery and memorable characters. It is 1910 and Maia, tragically orphaned at thirteen, has been sent from England to start a new life with distant relatives in Manaus, hundreds of miles up the Amazon. She is accompanied by an eccentric and mysterious governess who has secret reasons of her own for making the journey. Both soon discover an exotic world bursting with new experiences in *Journey to the River Sea*, Eva Ibbotson's highly colourful, joyous adventure. This 15th anniversary edition includes a forward by Lauren St John, author of *The White Giraffe*. Winner of the Smarties Gold Medal. Shortlisted for the Carnegie Medal and the Whitbread Award.

The Palgrave Schopenhauer Handbook Sep 30 2020 This comprehensive Handbook offers a leading-edge yet accessible guide to the most important facets of Arthur Schopenhauer's philosophical system, the last true system of German philosophy. Written by a diverse, international and interdisciplinary group of eminent and up-and-coming scholars, each of the 28 chapters in this Handbook includes an authoritative exposition of different viewpoints as well as arguing for a particular thesis. Authors also put Schopenhauer's ideas into historical context and connect them when possible to contemporary philosophy. Key features: Structured in six parts, addressing the development of Schopenhauer's system, his epistemology and metaphysics, aesthetics and philosophy of art, ethical and political thought, philosophy of religion and legacy in Britain, France, and the US. Special coverage of Schopenhauer's treatment of Judaism, Christianity, Vedic thought and Buddhism Attention to the relevance of Schopenhauer for contemporary metaphysics, metaethics and ethics in particular. The Palgrave Schopenhauer Handbook is an essential resource for scholars as well as advanced students of nineteenth-century philosophy. Researchers and graduate students in musicology, comparative literature, religious studies, English, French, history, and political science will find this guide to be a rigorous and refreshing Handbook to support their own explorations of Schopenhauer's thought.

The Illustrated Crystallary Jan 27 2023 In the ancient world there were three medicine kingdoms: animal, vegetable, and mineral. Following her

previous acclaimed volumes on animal (The Illustrated Bestiary) and vegetable (The Illustrated Herbiary), Maia Toll fulfills the call for mineral with The Illustrated Crystallary, exploring the mystical qualities of 36 fascinating crystals and minerals, including amethyst, hematite, mica, smokey quartz, emerald, ruby, and more. Combining bits of ancient wisdom with her own insights, Toll illuminates the aspects and energy of each stone and, through rituals and reflections, the life guidance it might offer contemporary readers. Obsidian's shiny surface and sharp edges reflect the shadowy corners of the self and serve as the tool for cutting them loose. The sky-like color of earthly turquoise provides balance between opposing forces. Stunning illustrations by Kate O'Hara magnify the symbolism of each crystal. This publication conforms to the EPUB Accessibility specification at WCAG 2.0 Level AA. Also available: The Illustrated Herbiary Collectible Box Set and The Illustrated Bestiary Collectible Box Set.

Mighty Miss Maya - See It, Then Be It Mar 29 2023 Mighty Miss Maya is a about a fierce little girl who doesn't let anything stand in her way. Maya and her dog, Abby, go on fantastic adventures, seeing new sights, and learning new skills. Sometimes, Maya faces big challenges and feels very stuck. Luckily, she knows just how mighty she is. "See it, then be it," she reminds herself, and she soon finds that there's almost nothing she can't do!

Dory Fantasmagory Sep 22 2022 Move over, Junie B. Jones and Ivy & Bean! Here comes a lovably energetic little sister with a BIG personality—and an imagination to match! As the youngest in her family, Dory really wants attention, and more than anything she wants her brother and sister to play with her. But she's too much of a baby for them, so she's left to her own devices—including her wild imagination and untiring energy. Her siblings may roll their eyes at her childish games, but Dory has lots of things to do: outsmarting the monsters all over the house, escaping from prison (aka time-out), and exacting revenge on her sister's favorite doll. And when they really need her, daring Dory will prove her bravery, and finally get exactly what she has been looking for. With plenty of pictures bursting with charm and character, this hilarious book about an irresistible rascal is the new must-read for the chapter book set.

Popular a Memoir May 19 2022 Documents a high school student's year-long attempt to change her social status from that of a misfit to a member of the "in" crowd by following advice in a 1950s popularity guide, an experiment that triggered embarrassment, humor and unexpected surprises. A first book.

The Silent Red Book Aug 02 2023

Spin the Dawn Mar 05 2021 Project Runway meets Mulan in this sweeping fantasy about a teenage girl who poses as a boy to compete for the role of imperial tailor and embarks on an impossible journey to sew three magic dresses, from the sun, the moon, and the stars. And don't miss Elizabeth Lim's new novel, the instant New York Times bestseller, *Six Crimson Cranes*! "All the cutthroat competition of a runway fashion reality show and the thrilling exploits of an epic quest." —The Washington Post Maia Tamarin dreams of becoming the greatest tailor in the land, but as a girl, the best she can hope for is to marry well. When a royal messenger summons her ailing father, once a tailor of renown, to court, Maia makes the ultimate sacrifice and poses as a boy to take his place. She knows her life is forfeit if her secret is discovered, but she'll take that risk to achieve her dream and save her family from ruin. There's just one catch: Maia is one of twelve tailors in a cutthroat competition for the job. Backstabbing and lies run rampant as the tailors compete in challenges to prove their artistry and skill. Maia's task is further complicated when she draws the attention of the court magician, Edan, whose piercing eyes seem to see straight through her disguise. And nothing could have prepared her for the unthinkable final challenge: to sew three magic gowns for the emperor's reluctant bride-to-be, from the sun, the moon, and the stars. With this impossible task before her, she embarks on a journey to the far reaches of the kingdom, seeking the sun, the moon, and the stars, and finding more than she ever could have imagined. Steeped in Chinese culture, sizzling with forbidden romance, and shimmering with magic, this fantasy novel is not to be missed. "This is a white-knuckle read."

—Tamora Pierce, #1 New York Times Bestselling author of *Tempests and Slaughter*

Rainforest Home Remedies Apr 17 2022 Rainforest Healing from Your Home and Garden Find alternatives to chemical anti-depressants and painkillers in your spice rack. Learn about natural anti-itch salves for insect bites. Soothe and relieve envy, grief, sadness, and fear the Maya way. Rid your house of negative energy with a Maya cleansing ritual. Try the easy-to-make bronchitis remedy.

The Avalon Job Jul 29 2020 Ravana O'Brien is confronted by her past in more ways than one. Secret agent Kedesh is back on the scene, seeking help for a mission to Alpha Centauri. Artorius, the young boy taken by Que Qiao agents after fleeing the Dhusarian Church, has been traced to a shadowy American base on the moon of Avalon. A second alien portal has been found, a mysterious ancient machine that can twist space and time. Avalon is no ordinary world. The moon hosts epic holovid events, not least the vicious celebrity show *Gods of Avalon*, a game based on the legends of King Arthur where players fight to survive against cyberclone beasts. Infiltrating the secret base means getting past the game arenas, but Ravana cannot trust the slippery Kedesh and has enemies old and new out to see her fail. The rejuvenated Priest Taranis, now with the might of the new Terran Federation of Worlds at his disposal, is pulling the strings. He has a new chosen one, a man called The Raven who seeks Ravana's doom. A rumour of hidden gold is sowing confusion. Artorius is the key to those who want the alien portal open. Watchers are playing the ultimate game.

Fate of Flames Sep 10 2021 Four girls with the power to control the elements and save the world from a terrible evil must come together in the first epic novel in a brand-new series. When Phantoms--massive beasts made from nightmares and darkness--suddenly appeared and began terrorizing the world, four girls, the Effigies, each gained a unique power to control one of the classical elements: earth, air, fire, and water. Since then, four girls across the world have continually fought against the Phantoms, fulfilling their cosmic duty. And when one Effigy dies, another girl gains her power as a replacement. But now, with technologies in place to protect the world's major cities from Phantom attacks, the Effigies have stopped defending humanity and, instead, have become international celebrities, with their heroic feats ranked, televised, and talked about in online fandoms. Until the day that New York City's protection against the Phantoms fails, a man seems to be able to control them by sheer force of will, and Maia, a high school student, unexpectedly becomes the Fire Effigy. Now Maia has been thrown into battle with three girls who want nothing to do with one another. But with the first human villain that the girls have ever faced, and an army of Phantoms preparing for attack, there isn't much time for the Effigies to learn how to work together. Can the girls take control of their destinies before the world is destroyed forever?

The Summer Dragon Oct 24 2022 “The master of dragon art brings the same skills to dragon storytelling” in this debut high fantasy adventure “as detailed and exciting as anything since the Pern tales” (Terry Brooks, New York Times–bestselling author). “Packed with action and fully-developed characters, both human and scaly.” —Alan Dean Foster, author of *Star Wars: The Force Awakens* Maia and her family raise dragons for the political war machine. As she comes of age, she hopes for a dragon of her own to add to the stable of breeding parents. But the war goes badly, and the needs of the Dragonry dash her hopes. Her peaceful life is shattered when the Summer Dragon—one of the rare and mythical High Dragons—makes an appearance in her quiet valley. The Summer Dragon is an omen of change, but no one knows for certain what kind of change he augurs. Political factions vie to control the implied message, each to further their own agendas. And so Maia is swept into an adventure that pits her against the deathless Horrors—thralls of the enemy—and a faceless creature drawn from her fears. In her fight to preserve everything she knows and loves, she uncovers secrets that challenge her understanding of her world and of herself.

Middle School Misadventures: Operation: Hat Heist! Jul 21 2022 In Jason Platt's second Middle School Misadventures graphic novel, Newell's favorite hat gets taken away! With the help of his most talented friends, he concocts the perfect plan to get it back. Operation: Hat Heist is a go!

Newell's favorite show of all time is The Captain! Newell is beyond excited when he learns that the Captain himself, Patrick O'Shaughnessy, will be at Monster Comic Con. He can't wait to meet The Captain wearing his once-worn-by-The-Captain WWII crusher hat that his dad gave him. But when Newell brings the hat to school, it gets stolen from his backpack! Fart. When Newell finally spots the culprit wearing his hat in the hall, Mr. Todd confiscates it and reminds the students, "There are no hats to be worn in school!" Double fart. What will Newell do?! He wants his hat back so he doesn't let his dad down and so he can impress his hero, but Mr. Todd refuses to return it! Just when Newell is about to give up, he receives a note from 8th grader Ethan: "I have an idea. Also, bring your friends. They can help too." Can Newell, Ethan, and this ragtag group of friends pull off the perfect hat heist? In this fun and imaginative full-color graphic novel, Jason Platt sends fast-talking, daydreaming, Newell on another desperate quest to save his favorite hat before he meets his all-time hero. This title will be simultaneously available in hardcover.

The Groogle Dec 14 2021 Flauth the groogle and Iriel a shadowman are caught up in an inter-dimensional invasion of Earth, when they try to help a young human during an attack. As events progress and the invaders gain a foothold, the unlikely companions are drawn together to confront its ancient source.

Almost a Spy Jun 27 2020 The author introduces you to a myriad of characters, expatriate embassy personnel, Royals, spies, and party-goers. From mansions of the oil-rich to surprise haram (forbidden) gambling junkets with members of the Royal family to being charged in absentia and imprisoned and tortured for espionage, Chuck held on to tell us his story. You will be introduced to this flamboyant host and his hostess and their worldwide travels. They have journeyed through African Safaris and exploited the waters of the Nile, have been special guests of the King of Thailand, and held meetings with one of Chucks counterparts in Moscow. Cross over to the other side of his cover jobs as he exposes the intrigue of the Jeddah Conference where kings, princes, and ministers begged Kuwait to arbitrate with Saddam Hussein to save their country. Learn how Kuwaits ruling family not only spurned efforts to hold off invasion but failed to even make preparations to protect their population from impending death and destruction. For many years the Kuwaitis had been stealing Iraqi oil, and Saddam was there for payback. Purse strings and the toss of a coin decided which side the Americans would be on and where the line would be drawn in the sand. Follow Chuck on Ali Baba runs and night crawling, behind enemy lines and closed doors of Ministries, palaces, and mosque offices, while searching for monetary trails destined for terrorist links. During his on and off relationship with Kuwait, Chuck moved his efforts over to the Horn of Africa, to the stifling hot dusty streets of Mogadishu, Somalia, where the United Nations was trying to set up a legitimate government. With six to seven Marine Corp shooters for constant protection, he conducted business from the seaport and airport via the K-4 sniper alley to the United Nations compound on the grounds of the former American Embassy. In Somalia his daily duties included personal negotiations with the two opposing War Lords, Mohammed Farah Aideed and Moha

Undoing Drugs Oct 31 2020 Journalist and author of the New York Times bestselling Unbroken Brain tackles the revolutionary concept of harm reduction, how it can transform the treatment of addiction, and how it holds the potential to revolutionize our treatment of behavioral and societal issues. In her New York Times bestseller Unbroken Brain, journalist Maia Szalavitz took an unflinching look at addiction, challenging the idea of the "broken brain" to offer a groundbreaking perspective on addiction as a learning disorder. Now she turns her keen eye and narrative powers to the surprisingly simple--and extremely divisive--practice of harm reduction, which is a revolutionary means to solving the drug addiction crisis. Drug overdoses now kill more Americans annually than guns, cars or breast cancer. But in the name of "sending the right message," we have criminalized drug addiction, denied those who are addicted medical care, housing and other benefits, and have deliberately allowed the spread of fatal diseases. Yet there is an alternative to our present system, one that has been proven to work, but which runs counter to the received wisdom of our criminal and

medical industrial complexes. It is called harm reduction. A surprisingly simple idea with enormous power, harm reduction takes the focus off of drug use and instead works to minimize associated damage. It represents the philosophy behind needle exchange programs and providing heroin addicts with the overdose medication naloxone instead of arresting them. It is focused not on punishing pleasure but on minimizing harm; in essence, it is a wholesale refutation of the American way of justice. *Undoing Drugs* tells the story of harm reduction. It will show how this concept has begun to transform the treatment of addiction and how it holds the potential to revolutionize how we deal with a range of other urgent behavioral and societal issues. Harm reduction challenges people to prioritize radical empathy and kindness over punishment as a way of not only dealing with drug use, but also in questions related to racism, sexism, disability and inequality. And, as Szalavitz shows, it says unequivocally that we must be more concerned about saving lives and health than about criminalizing quality-of-life crimes. Szalavitz argues for a practical application of the Hippocratic oath to "First, do no harm" beyond medicine and to those who urgently need it most.

Itty-Bitty Hats Aug 22 2022 Beautifully rendered, heartbreakingly adorable, and wonderfully wacky knitted caps for newborns and toddlers Thirty-eight million Americans knit, and that number grows every day. The baby hat is the perfect project for knitters of any level, with enchanting patterns that are easy enough for rank beginners but also interesting enough for the most accomplished needle wielders, in yarns that range from silk and linen to cashmere and mohair. Susan Anderson's *Itty-Bitty Hats* presents thirty-eight irresistible designs for infants and toddlers—fun, hip, creative patterns with decorative flourishes that are witty, whimsical, and undeniably unique. The projects are arranged by order of difficulty and accompanied by beautiful photographs, instructive how-to illustrations, and utterly clear instructions (with no confusing abbreviations or insider shorthand). Anderson also provides an indispensable introductory section on stitches, materials, equipment, terminology, and techniques, allowing even the most inexperienced knitter to get started confidently. Made for boys and girls, by parents and grandparents, aunts and even uncles, and, of course, best friends, the handmade hat is the perfect shower or birth or birthday gift—and *Itty-Bitty Hats* is the perfect gift for any knitter.

Definitely Deadly Jun 19 2022 After a quiet night on the town, Dev Xander and Kaz Shade suddenly find themselves surrounded by a flock of vampires. Mistaking the two men for humans and easy prey, the vampires move in for the kill. But the vampires have made a deadly mistake. Dev and Kaz aren't human; they are Deadlies—the Seven Deadly Sins—Enforcers who execute the supernatural bad guys. Dev and Kaz deal with the vampires in typical Enforcer fashion. But killing Snake, the leader, is only the beginning. A sovereign vampire controls this merry little band of bloodsuckers, and the Enforcers must determine who it is and execute him before the human death toll rises too high. During their search, the Enforcers perform a few executions, rescue a few gnomes, and still find time to fall in love. Half-daemon, half-human, and all trouble, Dev struggles with his strong attraction to Maia Severn, a werewolf who is their liaison with all things gruesome. Two women from another Enforcer's past reappear, and they both have designs on him. NO ONE SAID THIS MISSION WAS GOING TO BE EASY.

The Great Beanie Baby Bubble Jun 07 2021 "There has never been a craze like Beanie Babies. The \$5 beanbag animals with names like Seaweed the Otter and Gigi the Poodle drove a large swath of America into a greed-fueled frenzy as they chased the rarest Beanie Babies, whose values escalated weekly in the late 1990s. Just as strange as the mass hysteria was the man behind it. Sometimes called the "Steve Jobs of plush" by his employees, he obsessed over every detail of every animal his company ever released. He had no marketing budget and no connections, but he had something more valuable - an intuitive grasp of human psychology that would make him the richest man in the history of toys. The Great Beanie Baby Bubble is a classic American story of people winning and losing vast fortunes chasing what one dealer remembers as "the most spectacular dream ever sold."--
Back cover.

Office Mate May 07 2021 The last thing I want is to share my beautiful office with an uptight, unfriendly new English professor. I don't care if he's incredibly hot. He's still the worst office mate in the world. We're stuck together for a year, and that might be too long for me to resist discovering what's hiding beneath his buttoned-up appearance. *Office Mate* is the second book in the Milford College series, novellas about the faculty and staff of a small liberal arts college.

The Rock from the Sky May 31 2023 Look up! From the Caldecott Medal-winning creator of the hat trilogy comes a new deadpan gem. There is a spot. It is a good spot. It is the perfect spot to stand. There is no reason to ever leave. But somewhere above there is also a rock. A rock from the sky. Here comes *The Rock from the Sky*, a hilarious meditation on the workings of friendship, fate, shared futuristic visions, and that funny feeling you get that there's something off somewhere, but you just can't put your finger on it. Merging broad visual suspense with wry wit, celebrated picture book creator Jon Klassen gives us a wholly original comedy for the ages.

Billionaires in Love Feb 01 2021 Enjoy this bad boy billionaire romance collection. Three steamy reads to tempt your senses! *Billionaires In Love* is a collection of Four three-length novels steaming with an international cast of beautiful people, stunning locations, dark storylines, and hot, hot sensual romance! Featuring the following books: Book one - *While You Where Gone: A Billionaire's Second Chance Romance* I never thought I would feel happy again. Not for one moment. Not after he took my daughter. The man I married wasn't who I thought he was, and he showed me that in the worst possible way. I was left with nothing, and for five long years, that was the way I wanted it... But now... I want my life back, but not here, not in Manhattan. I need to be far away from this place. I'm starting again in Seattle. A new state, a new home, a new career. I just didn't expect to find new love...Atom. He's gorgeous and mouthwatering, and he makes me want to be very, very naughty... Do I want to risk my peace of mind for some incredible, mind-blowing action? Yes. But can I ever trust another man again? Atom Harcourt makes me want to try... Book two - *The Virgin's Dance: A Billionaire Romance* It took me by surprise, but now I can't stop thinking about him. Pilot Scamo. World-famous photographer. Billionaire. Drop-dead gorgeous man. Broken man. He's nearly twice my age but I've never felt this connection before ... I feel it everywhere, my heart, my head, my body. It's like electricity when he touches me, kisses me, When he makes passionate love to me. He's intoxicating and all I want now is to hold him, Protect him, love him. Will they let us be? We both have so much dark history, so many people against us. I'll fight for you, Pilot, even if it costs me everything ... I'll fight for you... Book three - *Saving Her Rescuer: A Billionaire Romance* All I wanted was a weekend away. Away from my ex. My past. The drama that surrounded me. Instead, I was thrown into the arms of a mysterious stranger. I didn't remember much from the accident. Just the strong, protective arms of him dragging me to safety. The masculine scent of his body enveloped me as he pushed my hair away, Whispering Cara in my ear before disappearing. I made it my mission to find him, to thank him. And now I have. Henry Frakes is running from something. He's broken...haunted-and now I want to save him. Before I realize it, we're lost in a passionate and torrid sea of desire. I've completely lost control. I've never been with a man like him, And Henry has ruined any chance that I'll ever want another man at all. But between the delicious kisses and endless nights, There's more to him than he's willing to reveal. And there's one question still lingering-Who is Cara? Is it her that he sees when I'm in his arms? Keywords: Billionaire romance, bad boy, new adult, instalove, age gap romance, alpha male, new adult romance, steamy romance, age gap romance older man younger woman, sweet romance, romantic novels, love, action, adventure, sexually romantic books, hot, alpha hero, contemporary romance, guaranteed HEA, no cliffhangers, sweet romance, love books, love stories.

The Girl with the Yellow Bag Jul 01 2023

Where the Crawdads Sing (Movie Tie-In) Apr 05 2021 NOW A MAJOR MOTION PICTURE The #1 New York Times bestselling worldwide

sensation with more than 15 million copies sold, “a painfully beautiful first novel that is at once a murder mystery, a coming-of-age narrative and a celebration of nature” (The New York Times Book Review). For years, rumors of the “Marsh Girl” have haunted Barkley Cove, a quiet town on the North Carolina coast. So in late 1969, when handsome Chase Andrews is found dead, the locals immediately suspect Kya Clark, the so-called Marsh Girl. But Kya is not what they say. Sensitive and intelligent, she has survived for years alone in the marsh that she calls home, finding friends in the gulls and lessons in the sand. Then the time comes when she yearns to be touched and loved. When two young men from town become intrigued by her wild beauty, Kya opens herself to a new life—until the unthinkable happens. *Where the Crawdads Sing* is at once an exquisite ode to the natural world, a heartbreaking coming-of-age story, and a surprising tale of possible murder. Delia Owens reminds us that we are forever shaped by the children we once were, and that we are all subject to the beautiful and violent secrets that nature keeps.

Margaret and the Moon Aug 29 2020 A true story from one of the Women of NASA! Margaret Hamilton loved numbers as a young girl. She knew how many miles it was to the moon (and how many back). She loved studying algebra and geometry and calculus and using math to solve problems in the outside world. Soon math led her to MIT and then to helping NASA put a man on the moon! She handwrote code that would allow the spacecraft’s computer to solve any problems it might encounter. Apollo 8. Apollo 9. Apollo 10. Apollo 11. Without her code, none of those missions could have been completed. Dean Robbins and Lucy Knisley deliver a lovely portrayal of a pioneer in her field who never stopped reaching for the stars.

Dr. Seuss's 100 First Words Oct 12 2021 A word book illustrated with images from the works of Dr. Seuss—starring the Little Cats from *The Cat in the Hat Comes Back!* This super-sturdy casebound board book introduces babies and toddlers to 100 essential first words and to the artwork of Dr. Seuss! Illustrated with images from his most beloved, classic books (among them *One Fish Two Fish Red Fish Blue Fish*, *Green Eggs and Ham*, and *Hop on Pop*)—the book also features the Little Cats—the tiny cats from *The Cat in the Hat Comes Back!*—doing something fun on every spread! Perfect for learning and for play, there's plenty to look at and talk about on each page.

Schopenhauer's Compass Nov 12 2021 Schopenhauer was the first major Western philosopher with a deep interest in Asian philosophies and religions. His favorite book was a Latin version of the Indian Upanishads—the *Oupnek'hat*—that he used to call the consolation of his life and death. Urs App explains in this book for the first time why Schopenhauer regarded this work as the most excellent in the world, how it is connected with the birth of his philosophy, and what caused him to list it even ahead of Plato and Kant as his major inspiration. This groundbreaking new introduction to Schopenhauer's thought and its genesis explains the role of Indian, Persian (Sufi), Neoplatonic, and mystical ideas as well as meditative states (“better consciousness”). But its focus lies firmly on the central dynamic at the heart of Schopenhauer's entire work: the inner compass that gave it its overall direction.

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Swiss Straw Work Apr 25 2020

Christmas Wish Jan 15 2022 Enjoy this bad boy billionaire romance collection. Two hot billionaires, a secret baby and a second chance romance. The perfect Holiday collection to read this Christmas. If you love forbidden bad boys who will stop at nothing to protect and satisfy their women, then make sure you grab this collection today and get lost in these two, full-length novels. Books Included: *Tragic Secrets: A Holiday Romance* (*Island of Love Book 2*) It was supposed to be a time of mourning, reflection, and endings. Instead, I found love, happiness, and new beginnings... She'd caught my eye right from the start. That little filly was as wild as they come, though. Friends. That was her favorite word. I wanted more, and I always get what I want. But with her, love had to come first. Her virginity meant a lot to her. She meant a lot to me. And just as it started coming together, it

all came crashing down. Why, I didn't know. We were in love. Or had it all just been a crazy game to her? *While You Were Gone: A Christmas Second Chance Romance* I never thought I would feel happy again. Not for one moment. Not after he took my daughter. The man I married wasn't who I thought he was, and he showed me that in the worst possible way. I was left with nothing, and for five long years that was the way I wanted it... But now... I want my life back, but not here, not in Manhattan. I need to be far away from this place. I'm starting again in Seattle. A new state, a new home, a new career. I just didn't expect to find new love...Atom. He's gorgeous, sex*, and mouthwatering, and he makes me want to be very, very naughty... Do I want to risk my peace of mind for some incredible, mind blowing se*? Yes. But can I ever trust another man again? Atom Harcourt makes me want to try... Keywords: Holiday romance, Christmas Romance, Billionaire romance, bad boy, new adult, instalove, age gap romance, alpha male, new adult romance, steamy romance, age gap romance older man younger woman, sweet romance, romantic novels, love, action, adventure, sexually romantic books, hot, alpha hero, contemporary romance, guaranteed HEA, no cliffhangers, sweet romance, love books, love stories.

Come Hell or Highball Feb 25 2023 31-year-old society matron Lola Woodby has survived her loveless marriage with an unholy mixture of highballs, detective novels, and chocolate layer cake, until, her husband dies suddenly, leaving her his fortune...or so Lola thought. As it turns out, all she inherits from Alfie is a big pile of debt. Pretty soon, Lola and her stalwart Swedish cook, Berta, are reduced to hiding out in the secret love nest Alfie kept in New York City. But when rent comes due, Lola and Berta have no choice but to accept an offer made by one of Alfie's girls-on-the-side: in exchange for a handsome sum of money, the girl wants Lola to retrieve a mysterious reel of film for her. It sounds like an easy enough way to earn the rent money. But Lola and Berta realize they're in way over their heads when, before they can retrieve it, the man currently in possession of the film reel is murdered, and the reel disappears. On a quest to retrieve the reel and solve the murder before the killer comes after them next, Lola and Berta find themselves navigating one wacky situation after another in high style and low company. Charming, witty, often laugh-out-loud funny, Maia Chance's *Come Hell or Highball* is the first in the Discreet Retrieval Agency Mysteries and introduces a sparkling new voice in crime fiction.

Maia and the Very Tall Wall Jul 09 2021 Maia is a curious girl, with lots of questions that she asks anyone who will listen. Behind Maia's house is a peculiar stone wall. As Maia grows older, she notices that the wall grows too. While the wall gets higher and higher, Maia grows shyer and shyer. Before long, she is afraid to ask her questions out loud, and the thing she wants to know the most is, "What's on the other side of that wall?" Maia tries all kinds of ways to get to the top, but none of them seem to work. Finally, she summons the courage to speak up, and a most surprising thing happens--she gets an answer! By using her voice, and with help from others, Maia gets to the top of the wall, and a whole new world opens up!

The Witness for the Dead Feb 13 2022 "At once intimate and literally operatic, it's everything I love about Katherine Addison's writing, in ways I didn't know to expect. I loved it." —John Scalzi Katherine Addison returns to the glittering world she created for her beloved novel, *The Goblin Emperor*, in this stand-alone sequel Locus Award Finalist! Mythopoeic Award Finalist! When the young half-goblin emperor Maia sought to learn who had set the bombs that killed his father and half-brothers, he turned to an obscure resident of his father's Court, a Prelate of Ullis and a Witness for the Dead. Thara Celehar found the truth, though it did him no good to discover it. He lost his place as a retainer of his cousin the former Empress, and made far too many enemies among the many factions vying for power in the new Court. The favor of the Emperor is a dangerous coin. Now Celehar lives in the city of Amalo, far from the Court though not exactly in exile. He has not escaped from politics, but his position gives him the ability to serve the common people of the city, which is his preference. He lives modestly, but his decency and fundamental honesty will not permit him to live quietly. As a Witness for the Dead, he can, sometimes, speak to the recently dead: see the last thing they saw, know the last thought they had, experience the last thing they felt. It is his duty use that ability to resolve disputes, to ascertain the intent of the dead, to find the killers of the murdered.

Celehar's skills now lead him out of the quiet and into a morass of treachery, murder, and injustice. No matter his own background with the imperial house, Celehar will stand with the commoners, and possibly find a light in the darkness. Katherine Addison has created a fantastic world for these books – wide and deep and true. Within THE CHRONICLES OF OSRETH The Goblin Emperor The Cemeteries of Amalo trilogy The Witness for the Dead The Grief of Stones The Tomb of Dragons At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Maia Mitchell Apr 29 2023 You may know Maia Mitchell from the Disney Channel's Teen Beach Movie. But did you know that she: • was born and raised in Australia and learned her American accent by watching TV? • loves playing the guitar and writing music? • prefers low-key jeans and sneakers to glamorous outfits? Want to know more about this talented star? Read on to learn all about Maia's life before stardom, rise to fame, breakthrough roles, passions, and more!

Kudo Kids: The Mystery of the Masked Medalist Aug 10 2021 From two-time Olympic bronze medalists Maia and Alex Shibutani comes a fun-filled, fast-paced middle-grade mystery set at the Tokyo Olympics. Andy and Mika are going to Tokyo! The Kudo Kids have never been to Japan before, so they can't believe they get to attend the Summer Olympics there. The siblings plan to eat tons of delicious Japanese food, watch every event they can, and win a super-popular new game called OlympiFan. Developed by a mysterious former medalist, OlympiFan brings players together from all over the world to search Tokyo for virtual medals and clues to the creator's identity. Andy loves puzzles, and he's determined to crack this one, especially since the winning team will get to be beta testers for the Masked Medalist's future games! Mika wants to find as many clues as she can, but she also has a secret goal of her own--one that could get her into big trouble. But when someone sabotages the game, the Kudo Kids have an even bigger mystery to solve than the Masked Medalist's identity. If they want to capture the gold, Mika and Andy have to figure out who's trying to stop their team before someone beats them to the grand prize!

While You Were Gone Jan 03 2021 Enjoy this billionaire romance at a terrific discount. I never thought I would feel happy again. Not for one moment. Not after he took my daughter. The man I married wasn't who I thought he was, and he showed me that in the worst possible way. I was left with nothing, and for five long years that was the way I wanted it... But now... I want my life back, but not here, not in Manhattan. I need to be far away from this place. I'm starting again in Seattle. A new state, a new home, a new career. I just didn't expect to find new love... Atom. He's gorgeous, tall, and mouthwatering, and he makes me want to be very, very naughty... Do I want to risk my peace of mind for some incredible, mind blowing lovemaking? Yes. But can I ever trust another man again? Atom Harcourt makes me want to try... Keywords: billionaire, bad boy, steamy romance, holiday romance, contemporary romance, forced marriage, love books, love stories, new adult, alpha male, romance, action, adventure, steamy romance, small-town secrets, hot, alpha hero, sweet romance. free book, free novels, sweet romance, romantic novels, sexually romantic books, guaranteed HEA, no cliffhangers, happily ever after.

Blood Dark May 26 2020 Set during World War I, this monumental philosophical novel about human despair inspired Albert Camus' own writing and prefigured the greater existential movement. Blood Dark tells the story of a brilliant philosopher trapped in a provincial town and of his spiraling descent into self-destruction. Cripure, as his students call him—the name a mocking contraction of Critique of Pure Reason—despises his colleagues, despairs of his charges, and is at odds with his family. The year is 1917, and the slaughter of the First World War goes on and on, with French soldiers not only dying in droves but also beginning to rise up in protest. Still haunted by the memory of the wife who left him long ago, Cripure turns his fury and scathing wit on everyone around him. Before he knows it, a trivial dispute with a complacently patriotic colleague has embroiled him in a duel.

Gender Queer: A Memoir Deluxe Edition Nov 24 2022 2020 ALA Alex Award Winner 2020 Stonewall — Israel Fishman Non-fiction Award Honor Book In 2014, Maia Kobabe, who uses e/em/eir pronouns, thought that a comic of reading statistics would be the last autobiographical comic e would ever write. At the time, it was the only thing e felt comfortable with strangers knowing about em. Now, *Gender Queer* is here. Maia's intensely cathartic autobiography charts eir journey of self-identity, which includes the mortification and confusion of adolescent crushes, grappling with how to come out to family and society, bonding with friends over erotic gay fanfiction, and facing the trauma and fundamental violation of pap smears. Started as a way to explain to eir family what it means to be nonbinary and asexual, *Gender Queer* is more than a personal story: it is a useful and touching guide on gender identity—what it means and how to think about it—for advocates, friends, and humans everywhere. This special deluxe hardcover edition of *Gender Queer* features a brand-new cover, exclusive art and sketches, and a TK from creator Maia Kobabe.

Maia Dec 02 2020 She was electrifying. She possessed astonishing charisma, charm, character, and poise. People would scream, and men withered in the heat of her unspeakable sex appeal as if she were some torrid female rock star. Eager fans threw flowers and gifts to her when she skated. They went absolutely ballistic. Nearly two decades later, she still creates frenzy. She's an international icon now, a planetary celebrity, playing Caesars Palace in Las Vegas, and like Cher and Madonna and Sting or Celine, she needs only one name, Maia, on the world's star roster. One in the audience tonight at Caesars tells Maia's story in more detail. He knows the story of her subjugation in the Soviet Sports Gulag, her suffering and callous abuse by KGB watchdogs, and her triumphant rise to fame as a wealthy American superstar. In the time of the Cold War, he and Maia chanced to dream of a shining life in the free world together. She got the life. He was left with the dream. In fall of 1983, Soviet fighter jets have just shot down a commercial 747 carrying 269 passengers and crew over the Sea of Japan. Everyone has perished. KAL 007 is suddenly another international incident, and the US and the USSR are at it again. Eddie Genell, a young sportswriter for *Athlete*, one of the top monthly magazines in the world, flies into the tense atmosphere of Cold War brinkmanship to get a feature story on the Soviet Union's first female-singles figure skater with a shot at an Olympic medal in the Winter Games. Maia Larisa Ulyanova is a phenom. The incredibly stunning young skater has captured the hearts of three hundred million Russians and holds the Soviet Union's first chance to make Olympic history. World press attention has been riveted also by her extraordinary beauty and drop-dead sex appeal.

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