

RG Fiction List 2025

TITLE	AUTHOR	SYNOPSIS	SHELFMARK	GENRE	OTHER FORMAT
Mother's Instinct	Abel, Barbara	David and Laetitia Brunelle and Sylvain and Tiphaine Geniot are inseparable friends and next-door neighbours in a pretty, tranquil suburb. Their sons Milo and Maxime, born in the same year, grow up together as close as brothers. But when Maxime is killed in an accident, their idyllic world shatters.	304p	FICTION	N/A
The List	Adegoke, Yomi	Ola Olajide, a high-profile journalist at Womxxxn magazine, is marrying the love of her life in one month's time. She and her fiancé Michael seem to have it all. That is, until one morning when they both wake up to the same message: 'Oh my god, have you seen The List?' It began as a list of anonymous allegations about abusive men. Now it's been published online. Ola made her name breaking exactly this type of story. But today, Michael's name is on there. Will the truth behind The List change everything for both of them?	384p	FICTION	N/A
Last Man in Tower	Adiga, Aravind	Every building tells a story: but in the jungle of Mumbai, one building - and one man - stands on the borderline between India's past, and its future when A prominent builder offers to buy out an entire apartment block. All of the occupants agree, except for retired school teacher Masterji.	F 432p	FICTION	CD, LP
Postscript	Aherne, Cecelia	Holly has spent six years rebuilding her life as a widow and is proud of herself. But when a group inspired by her dead husband's letters call on her to help, she finds the conflict between the past and future a challenge. Sunday Times Bestselling sequel to PS, I Love you, which reads well as a standalone.	F 368p	FICTION	CD, LP
The First Phone Call From Heaven	Albom, Mitch	When the residents of a small town on Lake Michigan start receiving phone calls from the afterlife, they all become the subject of widespread attention. Is it the greatest miracle ever or a massive hoax? Sully Harding, a grief-stricken single father, is determined to find out. This is a story about the power of belief - and a page-turner that will touch your soul.	F 320p	FICTION	CD, LP
In the Kitchen	Ali, Monica	At the once-splendid Imperial Hotel, chef Gabriel Lightfoot is trying to run a tight kitchen. The pressure is really on when a body is discovered. A compelling portrait of a man pushed to the edge.	F 449p	FICTION	CD, LP
The Lonely Life of Biddy Weir	Allen, Lesley	Abandoned by her mother as a baby, and with a father who's not quite equipped for the challenges of modern parenting, Biddy lives in her own little world, happy to pass her time mostly alone. That is, until she meets Alison Flemming. This is a moving story of abuse and survival, of falling down and of starting again, and of one woman's battle to learn to love herself for who she is.	F 352p	FICTION	N/A
Violeta	Allende, Isabel	Through her father's reluctance, the family will come through that crisis unscathed, only to face a new one as the Great Depression transforms the genteel city she has known. Her family loses all and is forced to retreat to a wild and beautiful but remote part of the country. There, she will come of age, and her first suitor will come calling. Through the eyes of a woman whose unforgettable passion, determination, and sense of humour will carry her through a lifetime of upheaval.	F 320p	FICTION	LP

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The Silk Factory	Allnatt, Judith	Rosie Milford inherits a house in an old silk factory after her mother's death and moves there with her young children. After discovering a shocking truth she starts seeing a strange child, wandering in the garden, who seems as lost as she is. A beautiful and eerie story of love and memory. Judith has been shortlisted for several awards for her previous novels.	F 385p	FICTION	N/A
A Daughter's Journey	Andrews, Lyn	Angela is six when her parents hand her over to an aunt and uncle, common practice in 1950's Ireland. Moving to Liverpool in the 60's, she becomes a success in the world of fashion design but a disastrous love affair sends her home to Ireland just after the death of her aunt, where among some old papers she makes an astonishing discovery.	F 448p	FICTION	CD, LP
Nothing Ventured	Archer, Jeffrey	Meet William Warwick, new detective, as he solves his first case of a stolen Rembrandt, encountering people who will change his life forever and falling in love along the way. Will his burning ambition lead him into success or failure?	F 384p	FICTION	CD, LP
Flight	Ashdown, Isabel	When Wren Irving's numbers come up in the first ever national lottery draw, she doesn't tell her husband, Rob. Instead she quietly packs her bags, kisses her six-month-old daughter Phoebe goodbye, and leaves. Two decades later, Rob has moved on and found happiness with their oldest friend, Laura. Phoebe, now a young woman, has never known any other life. But when Rob receives a mysterious letter, the past comes back to haunt them all. With their cosy world thrown into turmoil, Laura sets out to track Wren down and discover the truth about why she left all those years ago.	F 320p	FICTION	N/A
Our Song	Atkins, Dani	Emotional family drama with plenty of plot twists. What would you do if your husband was the love of someone else's life? Meet Ally and Charlotte, never really friends but drawn together as their lives intertwine and faced with a heartbreaking decision. Dani Atkins won the RNA Romantic novel of the year in 2018.	F 400p	FICTION	LP
Magpie Lane	Atkins, Lucy	When the eight-year-old daughter of an Oxford College Master vanishes in the middle of the night, police turn to the Scottish nanny, Dee, for answers. Is she telling the whole story in this creepy, beguiling, twisty thriller?	F 368p	FICTION	N/A
Hag-seed: The Tempest Retold.	Atwood, Margaret	A novel take on Shakespeare's play of enchantment, revenge and second chances leads us on an interactive, illusion-ridden journey filled with surprises. Felix is at the top of his game as Artistic Director of the Makeshiweg Theatre Festival until an act of unforeseen treachery destroys his career. Living in exile, haunted by memories, revenge arrives in the shape of a theatre course at a nearby prison. Here, Felix and his inmate actors will put on his Tempest and snare the traitors who destroyed him. Or will they?	F 320p	FICTION	CD, LP
The Clan of the Cave Bear	Auel, Jean M	When an earthquake destroys her family's camp, Ayla is left orphaned and alone in an unfamiliar and dangerous land, her likelihood of survival slim. But then she is found by a woman of the Clan, a people very different from her own kind. To them Ayla looks peculiar and ugly, her blonde hair and blue eyes marking her out as one of the Others, who have recently invaded their ancient homeland. Yet Iza, the Clan's medicine woman cannot leave the child to die. As Ayla learns the ways of the Clan and Iza's ways of healing, Iza grows to love her, and the rest of the Clan to accept her. Everyone, that is, except Brun, the brutal and proud youth who is destined to become their next leader. Set 25,000 years in the past, yet relatable today, <i>The Clan of the Cave Bear</i> is an epic tale of love, identity and the struggle to survive.	512p	FICTION	LP

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A Man called Ove	Backman, Fredrik	Debut novel originally published in Sweden. Ove is fifty-nine. He drives a Saab. He's the kind of man who is habitually grumpy by nature. But when new neighbours move in next door, change forces Ove to engage with the world. Charming and funny, a former Radio Four Book at Bedtime.	F 320p	FICTION	LP
Britt-Marie was here	Backman, Fredrik	When Britt-Marie finds herself unemployed, separated from her husband of 20 years, left to fend for herself in the miserable provincial backwater that is Borg - of which the kindest thing one can say is that it has a road going through it - and somehow tasked with running the local football team, she is a little unprepared. But she will learn that life may have more to offer her than she's ever realised, and love might be found in the most unexpected of places. A funny, poignant and uplifting tale of love, community, and second chances from the bestselling author of A Man Called Ove.	F 320p	FICTION	LP
All the Nice Girls	Bakewell, Joan	A debut novel that captures the danger and excitement of wartime Britain. As part of the war effort the Ashworth Grammar School for Girls signs up for the Merchant Navy's Ship Adoption Scheme. Then Josh Percival, captain of the adopted ship, the SS Treverran, comes with his men to visit Ashworth. The choices that follow will disrupt all their lives, reverberating even to the next generation, when, decades later, life and love are on the line again . . .	F 352p	FICTION	CD, LP
Old God's Time	Barry, Sebastian	Recently retired police officer Tom Kettle is settling into the quiet of his new home, a lean-to annexed to a Victorian castle overlooking the Irish Sea. For months he has barely seen a soul, catching only glimpses of his eccentric landlord and a nervous young mother who has moved in next door. Occasionally, fond memories return, of his family, his beloved wife June and their two children. But when two former colleagues turn up at his door with questions about a decades-old case, one which Tom never quite came to terms with, he finds himself pulled into the darkest currents of his past. A beautiful, haunting novel, in which nothing is quite as it seems, <i>Old God's Time</i> is about what we live through, what we live with, and what may survive of us.	272p	FICTION	N/A
Rubbernecker	Bauer, Belinda	Life is strange for Patrick Fort - being a medical student with Asperger's Syndrome doesn't come without its challenges. And that's before he is faced with solving a possible murder. Because the body Patrick is examining in anatomy class is trying to tell him all kinds of things.	F 432p	FICTION	CD, LP
A Week in Winter	Binchy, Maeve	High on the cliffs of the west coast of Ireland, overlooking the windswept Atlantic ocean, is Stone House. Once falling into disrepair, it is now a beautiful hotel specialising in winter holidays. With a big, warm kitchen, log fires and elegant bedrooms, it provides a welcome few can resist, whatever their reasons for coming.	F 464p	FICTION	CD, LP
Out Of the Blue	Bingham, Charlotte	Heart-warming, compelling and full of charm. Florence, newly recovering from a family tragedy, discovers a strangely dressed and suspiciously disorientated young man asleep in her guest cottage at her home.	F 420p	FICTION	CD, LP
The Romantic	Boyd, William	Born in 1799, Cashel Greville Ross experiences myriad lives: joyous and devastating, years of luck and unexpected loss. Moving from County Cork to London, from Waterloo to Zanzibar, Cashel seeks his fortune across continents in war and in peace. He faces a terrible moral choice in a village in Sri Lanka. In Ravenna he meets a woman who will live in his heart for the rest of his days. As he travels the world as a soldier, a farmer, a felon, a writer, a father, a lover, he experiences all the vicissitudes of life and, through the accelerating turbulence of the nineteenth century, he discovers who he truly is.	F 450p	FICTION	N/A

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Sweet Caress : The Many Lives of Amory Clay	Boyd, William	From an apprenticeship in London photographing socialites for magazines, to 1920s Berlin, New York in the 1930s and the Blackshirt riots in London, her camera unleashes a passion that irrevocably shapes her future. Hungry for more, Amory Clay goes on to become one of the first women war photographers in France during the Second World War. In this enthralling story of a life fully lived, we see a sweeping panorama of the twentieth century, told through the camera lens of one unforgettable woman. Sunday Times Bestseller.	F 464p	FICTION	CD, LP
Strong Female Character	Brady, Fern	If you've ever been on a night out where you got blackout drunk and have laughed the next day as your friends tell you all the stupid stuff you said, that's what being autistic feels like for me: one long blackout night of drinking, except there's no socially sanctioned excuse for your gaffes and no one is laughing.' Fern Brady was told she couldn't be autistic because she's had loads of boyfriends and is good at eye contact. This is a story of how being female can get in the way of being autistic and how being autistic gets in the way of being the 'right kind' of woman.	288p	PRIZE WINNER	N/A
Coming Home	Britton, Fern	A heartfelt novel about family secrets and atonement Twenty years ago Sennen ran away from Cornwall, now it's time to come back and face her mistakes and hope for a future with her long-lost daughter and son. Will she be welcomed back with open hearts?	F 416p	FICTION	CD, LP
A Good Catch	Britton, Fern	As they grew up in the Cornish fishing village of Trevay, life for four friends seemed all mapped out. But what seems so simple in the innocence of youth is far more complicated than it appears. Under intense pressure from his family to marry Greer Clovelly, uniting two great Cornish families, Jesse Behenna faces an agonizing choice, which could change the course of all their futures. Sunday Times bestselling author.	F 424p	FICTION	CD, LP
The Postcard	Britton, Fern	Life in the Cornish village of Pendruggan isn't always picture perfect. Penny Leighton has kept her family secrets locked away in her heart, but when an unwelcome visitor blows in, she is brought face to face with the past. And a postcard, tucked away in a long-hidden case, holds the truth that could change everything. The new witty and warm novel from the Sunday Times best-selling author and TV presenter, Fern Britton.	F 416p	FICTION	CD, LP
Aftermath	Brook, Rhidian	In the bitter winter of 1946, reunited with her husband Lewis, Rachael Morgan arrives with her son Edmund in the ruins of Hamburg. But she discovers they will be sharing a house with its previous owners, a German widower and his troubled daughter. In this charged atmosphere, enmity and grief give way to passion and betrayal. Now a major film starring Keira Knightly.	F 336p	FICTION	LP
The Rules of Engagement	Brookner, Anita	Elizabeth and Betsy are old friends dating back to their schooldays. While self-willed Elizabeth goes off and marries an older man, Digby, and then embarks on an affair, Betsy seems to find romance in Paris. A clever, entertaining novel, beautifully observed.	F 252p	FICTION	CD, LP

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Nineteen Steps	Brown, Millie Bobby	Love blooms in the darkest days. London, 1942. Despite the raging war, spirited eighteen-year-old Nellie Morris lives a quiet life in the tight-knit East End community of Bethnal Green. Her family and friends all tease that she will marry air raid warden Billy, the boy next door who's always been sweet on her. Although the arrival of Ray, a handsome American airman stationed nearby, causes Nellie to question everything she thought she knew about her future. But Nellie's newfound happiness is short-lived when a tragic accident occurs during an air raid. Even the closest family can't escape the devastation of war, and as the secrets and truth about that fateful night become clear, they threaten to tear Nellie – and those dearest to her – apart.	384p	FICTION	LP
Terrible Kindness	Browning-Wroe, Jo	It is October 1966 and William Lavery is having the night of his life at his first black-tie do. But, as the evening unfolds, news hits of a landslide at a coal mine. It has buried a school: Aberfan. William decides he must act, so he stands and volunteers to attend. It will be his first job as an embalmer, and it will be one he never forgets. His work that night will force him to think about the little boy he was, and the losses he has worked so hard to forget. But compassion can have surprising consequences, because giving so much to others can sometimes help us heal ourselves.	F 381p	FICTION	N/A
Separate Beds	Buchan, Elizabeth	As a family gathers in crisis, Annie and Tom start to open up to one another about a terrible, painful truth they have lived with all these years. Soon a new, unexpected future starts to take shape as they are offered a second chance at happiness. But will they take it?	F 390p	FICTION	CD, LP
House of Fortune	Burton, Jessie	1705. Thea Brandt is about to turn eighteen, and at the theatre in Amsterdam's golden city centre she has met the love of her life. At home, the Brandt family faces ruin, and Thea's aunt Nella is convinced the only solution is to find Thea a wealthy husband among the city's elite. As Thea and Nella clash over the demands of duty and the heart, past secrets begin to overwhelm their present. Will each woman be able to rescue her destiny from the whims of fortune?	F 401p	FICTION	CD
The Muse	Burton, Jessie	On a hot July day in 1967, Odelle Bastien is offered a job as a typist in a gallery under the tutelage of the glamorous and enigmatic Marjorie Quick, who, despite taking Odelle into her confidence remains a mystery. Until a lost masterpiece with a secret history in 1930's Spain is delivered to the gallery. Seductive and suspenseful this is a novel about aspiration and identity, love and obsession, authenticity and deception.	F 464p	FICTION	CD, LP
Kindred	Butler, Octavia E	With themes of FICTION slavery, time travel and romance, we meet Dana, living in 1976, but drawn back to 1815 by ties she is only just beginning to understand. More literary than Sci-Fi from PEN, Hugo and Nebula award winning author.	F 320p	FICTION	N/A
Possession	Byatt, A. S	Maud Bailey is a scholar researching the life and work of her distant relative, a little-known 19th-century poet named Christabel LaMotte. Roland Michell is looking into an obscure moment in the life of another Victorian poet, the celebrated Randolph Henry Ash. Together, the two uncover a dark secret in Ash's life: though apparently happily married, he conducted a torrid affair with LaMotte. As Maud and Roland dig deeper, they too find themselves falling in love.	624p	PRIZE WINNER	CD

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Ragnarok : the end of the gods	Byatt, A. S.	An odyssey of childhood, mythology and the imagination from a Booker Prize-winning author . A young evacuee is given a copy of a book of ancient Norse myths and her inner and outer worlds are transformed. Linguistically stunning and imaginative, this mesmerising tale inspired by the myth of Ragnarok is a landmark piece of storytelling.	F 193 p	FICTION	CD, LP
Deadly Game	Caine, Michael	DCI Harry Taylor has no respect for red tape or political reputations - but he's great at catching criminals. And all his unorthodox skills will be needed as an extraordinary situation unfolds on his doorstep: a metal box of radioactive material is found at a dump in Stepney, East London, but before the police can arrive it is stolen in a violent raid. With security agencies across the world on red alert, it's Harry and his unconventional team from the Met who must hit the streets in search of a lead. THow much time does Harry have, and how many more players will join the action, before the missing uranium is lighting up the sky?	336p	FICTION	N/A
The Trouble with Goats and Sheep	Cannon, Joanna	England, 1976. Mrs Creasy is missing and The Avenue is alive with whispers. As the summer shimmers endlessly on, Grace and Tilly decide to take matters into their own hands. And as the cul-de-sac starts giving up its secrets, the amateur detectives will find much more than they imagined. Part whodunit, part coming of age, a sparkling debut. Sunday Times bestseller.	F 464p	FICTION	LP
His Illegal Self	Carey, Peter	A small boy, raised in isolated privilege, whose radical activist parents are in hiding, is kidnapped from grandma to "go and see his mum". He ends up in a hippy commune in Australia, where he is forced to confront his life.	F 288p	FICTION	CD, LP
Queenie	Carty-Williams, Candice	A darkly comic and biting subversive take on life, love, race and family as a 25 year old journalist tries to straddle British and Jamaican culture, and asks herself 'Why am I doing this?'. Winner: British Book Awards; Shortlist: Costa First Novel; Longlist: Women's Prize.	F 400p	PRIZE WINNER	CD, LP
Footprints in the Sand	Challis, Sarah	Great Aunt Mary has appointed Emily and cousin Clemmie as part executors of her Will and they are to transport her ashes to Timadjlalen, in the Saharan desert. And so begins a journey that will be the most important of their lives.	F 512p	FICTION	LP
Small Pleasures	Chambers, Clare	When a young woman contacts the local paper to claim that her daughter is the result of a virgin birth in the suburbs of London in 1957, feature writer Jean finds her life becoming entwined with the family and their story. Longlisted Women's Prize.	F 350pp	FICTION	CD, LP
New Boy - Othello retold	Chevalier, Tracy	Shakespeare retold. When diplomat's son Osei arrives at his new school, he knows he needs an ally if he is to survive. But one student can't stand to witness a budding relationship between the black boy and the golden girl. By the end of the day, the school will never be the same again. The tragedy of Othello is transposed to a 1970s suburban Washington schoolyard in Tracy Chevalier's powerful drama of friends torn apart by jealousy, bullying and betrayal.	F 183 p	FICTION	CD, LP
Single Thread	Chevalier, Tracy	A 'surplus' woman after WWI, Violet escapes her mother and moves to Winchester to start a new life. Despite her courage and resilience, when WWII looms, a secret threatens to change everything. Bestselling author.	F 400p	FICTION	CD, LP
Killing Floor	Child, Lee	A man hops off a greyhound bus in rural Georgia, America and winds up in jail accused of a crime he couldn't possibly have committed. As the nasty secrets of a ruthless conspiracy leak out it becomes clear that he is just the fall guy.	F 528p	FICTION	CD
Long Call	Cleeves, Ann	When Matthew left the strict evangelical community in which he grew up, he lost his family. Now he's back to take charge of his first major case in the Two Rivers region; and there are deadly secrets to unfold. From the creator of Vera and Shetland.	F 400p	CRIME	CD, LP

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The Stranger	Coben, Harlan	When a stranger reveals a secret about Adam's wife, the American dream begins to unravel and a conspiracy emerges. A psychological thriller, fast paced and tense, now released on Netflix.	F 300p	CRIME	CD, LP
The Terrible Privacy of Maxwell Sim	Coe, Johnathan	A story for our times, Maxwell finds himself at sea in the modern world, surrounded by social networks but unable to relate properly to anyone. His mid-life crisis finds him in his car in the north of Scotland, half-naked and alone, suffering hypothermia, with a couple of empty whisky bottles and a boot full of toothbrushes. It's a far cry from a restaurant in Sydney, where his story starts. Funny yet moving novel with biting social commentary and astute observations of life.	F 356 p	FICTION	CD, LP
Bourneville	Coe, Jonathan	In Bournville, a placid suburb of Birmingham, sits a famous chocolate factory. For eleven-year-old Mary and her family in 1945, it's the centre of the world. Their streets smell faintly of chocolate, a place where most of their friends and neighbours have worked for decades. Mary live through the Coronation, the World Cup final, royal weddings and royal funerals, Brexit and Covid-19. She'll have children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Parts of the chocolate factory will be transformed into a theme park, as modern life and the city crowd in on their peaceful enclave. We travel through seventy-five years of social change. One pressing question starts to emerge:will these changing times bring Mary's family, their country closer together?	F 353p	FICTION	N/A
Middle England	Coe, Jonathan	A witty, satirical, state of the nation novel set in the Brexit era as a diverse cast of characters try to navigate a changing England. Winner: Costa Novel Award	F 432p	PRIZE WINNER	CD
The Memory Book	Coleman, Rowan	Claire, who has been diagnosed with early onset Alzheimer's disease, and the people who make up her family; mum Ruth, daughters Caitlin and Esther and husband Greg are all impacted in a way which is out of their hands to control, yet this book remains uplifting. Richard and Judy Book club selection.	F 384p	FICTION	CD, LP
We are all made of stars	Coleman, Rowan	During her nursing shifts, Stella writes letters for her patients to their loved ones - some full of humour, love and practical advice, others steeped in regret or pain – and promises to post these messages after their deaths. Until one night Stella writes the letter that could give her patient one last chance at redemption, if she delivers it in time... A beautiful story of aching sadness and boundless joy, sparkling with love, humour and humanity.	F 402p	FICTION	CD, LP
Land of Lost Things	Connolly, John	Phoebe, an eight-year-old girl, lies comatose following a car accident—a body without a spirit. Ceres, her mother, can only sit by her bedside and read aloud the fairy stories Phoebe loves in the hope they might summon her back to this world. But an old house on the hospital grounds, a property connected to a book written by a vanished author, is calling to Ceres. Something wants her to enter, to journey to a land coloured by the memories of childhood, and the folklore beloved of her father—a land where old enemies are watching and waiting...The Land of Lost Things.	368p	FICTION	CD; LP
Tackle!	Cooper, Jilly	Rupert Campbell-Black, undefeated race-horse owner and handsomest man in the world, is in the darkest of places. His adored wife, Taggie, is about to undergo chemotherapy, his beloved horse Love Rat has died, and now his daughter Bianca wants him to buy a languishing local football club - a sport Rupert knows nothing about - so she can return to Rutshire with her football star husband. As Searston's new owner, he won't stand for anything less than victory in the Premier League, despite the odds being stacked against him. The rival football club and their corrupt dealings aren't going to make it easy for him either - and they have a history of foul play. Let the sabotage and scandal begin.	528p	FICTION	CD; LP

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The Three Graces	Craig, Amanda	In the Tuscan hilltop village of Santorno, the Three Graces of her title are preparing for a spring wedding. Adorning this idyll Craig's Graces - Ruth, Marta and Diana - are a trio of elderly expatriates with a total of "four breasts, five eyes and three hip replacements" between them. When Enzo, a local villager, shoots an illegal immigrant from his bedroom window one night it triggers a series of events that embroil old and young, rich and poor, native and foreign.	416p	FICTION	N/A
The Ferryman	Cronin, Justin	Life on the island archipelago of Prospera is everything a person could hope for. Founded by the mythical genius known as the Designer, Prospera lies hidden from the horrors of a deteriorating outside world. Prospera's lucky citizens enjoy long, vigorous, and fulfilling lives- that is, until the monitors embedded in their forearms, meant to measure their physical health and psychological well-being, fall below 10 percent. When that happens, they retire themselves, embarking on a short ferry ride to the island known as the Nursery, where they are readied to restart life afresh. Proctor Bennett has a satisfying career as a ferryman, gently shepherding the elderly through the retirement process- and, when necessary, enforcing it. Soon enough, Proctor finds his fate entangled with a cause much bigger than he realized, and the world he inhabits is shattered.	560p	FICTION	N/A
Boy Swallows Universe	Dalton, Trent	Australia, 1983 - Life is pretty tough right now for twelve-year-old Eli – what with his mute brother, a convicted murderer for a babysitter, a drug-dealing stepfather, an incarcerated mother and a long-lost father – surely it can't get any worse? Think again. He's about to fall in love, break into prison and cross paths with one of the most notorious criminals Brisbane has ever seen. A coming-of-age story like no other.	512p	FICTION	N/A
Talking at Night	Daverley, Claire	Will and Rosie meet as teenagers. They're opposites in every way, but over secret walks home and late-night phone calls they become closer, destined to be one another's great love story. Until, one day, tragedy strikes and any possibility of them being together shatters. But that tragedy - and their history - is what will connect them forever.	400p	FICTION	N/A
The Welsh Girl	Davies, Peter Ho	It's Snowdonia in the months following D-Day and everyone, it seems, has a secret. Ideas of identity, place and belonging unfold as the Welsh-speaking population of the local village is supplemented by influxes of German POWs, English soldiers and evacuees.	F 356p	FICTION	CD, LP
Notwithstanding	De Bernieres, Louis	Notwithstanding is a fictional village somewhere in Surrey. The book celebrates the quirkiness of village life and brings English idylls to life via some unusual and interesting characters.	F 352p	FICTION	CD, LP
The Last Passenger	Dean, Will	Caz Ripley, a cafe owner from a small, ordinary town, boards the RMS <i>Atlantica</i> with her boyfriend Pete and a thousand fellow passengers destined for New York. The next morning, she wakes to discover that everyone else on board has disappeared. And that's just the beginning. Caz must prepare for a crossing that will be anything but plain sailing ... <i>The Last Passenger</i> is a psychological thriller set aboard a cruise ship about a woman whose seemingly ordinary life is suddenly thrown dramatically off course.	496p	FICTION	CD; LP
Day After Night	Diamant, Anita	Atlit is a holding camp for 'illegal' immigrants in Israel in 1945. There, about 270 men and women await their future and try to recover from their past. Diamant, with infinite compassion and understanding, tells the stories of the women gathered in this place.	F 304p	FICTION	CD, LP

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The Red Tent	Diamant, Anita	The Red Tent is an extraordinary and engrossing tale of ancient womanhood and family honour. Told in Dinah's voice, it opens with the story of her mothers - the four wives of Jacob. In the Bible her fate is merely hinted at, here it is brought to life.	F 400p	FICTION	LP
Trust	Diaz, Hernan	Even through the roar and effervescence of the 1920s, everyone in New York has heard of Benjamin and Helen Rask. He is a legendary Wall Street tycoon; she is the daughter of eccentric aristocrats. Together, they have risen to the very top of a world of seemingly endless wealth - all as a decade of excess and speculation draws to an end. But at what cost have they acquired their immense fortune	402p	FICTION	N/A
Churchill's Hour	Dobbs, Michael	In 1941, the war appears to be going badly on many fronts. Churchill is the confirmed leader and so his domestic political struggles are slightly lessened, but battered, bloody and almost bankrupt, Britain limps on. Churchill knows his country cannot win the war alone – it needs help. This is an extraordinary novel of a man at bay, a nation facing disaster, and the political skills, human dilemmas and brilliant leadership that saved the day.	F 464p	FICTION	LP
Cloud Cuckoo Land	Doerr, Anthony	Cloud Cuckoo Land follows three storylines: Anna and Omeir, on opposite sides of the formidable city wall during the 1453 siege of Constantinople; teenage idealist Seymour and gentle octogenarian Zeno, in an attack on a public library in present day Idaho; and Konstance, on an interstellar ship bound for a distant exoplanet, decades from now. Bound together by an ancient text, it's a tale of hope and human connection.	F 496p	FICTION	N/A
Pull of the Stars	Donoghue, Emma	As flu ravages the world in 1918, three women change each other's lives in unexpected ways. A harrowing, and revelatory vision of life, death, and love in a time of pandemic set in a tiny hospital ward over the course of three days.	F 294p	FICTION	CD, LP
The Wonder	Donoghue, Emma	Set in the Irish Midlands in the 1850s and inspired by numerous European and North American cases of 'fasting girls' between the sixteenth century and the twentieth - is a psychological thriller about a child's murder threatening to happen in slow motion before our eyes. Pitting all the seductions of fundamentalism against sense and love, it is a searing examination of what nourishes us, body and soul.	F 256p	FICTION	CD, LP
Learned by Heart	Donoghue, Emma	Adding to the already moving, richly told and gripping collection of FICTION fiction from Emma Donoghue, 'Learned By Heart' is the breathtaking story of two young girls on the margins of life, forging a connection that will last forever	336p	FICTION	CD; LP
Inheritance	Eclair, Jenny	Compelling family saga set in Cornwall, where decades old secrets cause ripples as people gather for a birthday party. Compassionate and keenly observed writing from bestselling author and stand up comedian.	F 363p	FICTION	N/A
The Herd	Edwards, Emily	Elizabeth and Bryony are polar opposites but their unexpected friendship has always worked. They're the best of friends, and godmothers to each other's daughters - because they trust that the safety of their children is both of their top priority. Little do they know that they differ radically over one very important issue. And when Bryony, afraid of being judged, tells what is supposed to be a harmless white lie before a child's birthday party, the consequences are more catastrophic than either of them could ever have imagined.	342p	FICTION	N/A

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Candy House	Egan, Jennifer	It's 2010. Staggeringly successful and brilliant tech entrepreneur Bix Bouton is desperate for a new idea. He's forty, with four kids, and restless. He stumbles into a conversation with mostly Columbia professors, one of whom is experimenting with downloading or "externalising" memory. Within a decade, Bix's new technology, Own Your Unconscious--that allows you access to every memory you've ever had, to share every memory in exchange for access to the memories of others--has seduced multitudes. But not everyone. In spellbinding linked narratives, Egan spins out the consequences of Own Your Unconscious through the lives of multiple characters whose paths intersect over several decades. With a focus on social media, gaming, and alternate worlds, you can almost experience moving among dimensions in a role-playing game.	F 352p	FICTION	N/A
The Wren, The Wren	Enright, Anne	Nell is a young woman with adventure on her mind. As she sets out into the world, she finds her family history hard to escape. For her mother, Carmel, Nell's leaving home opens a space in her heart, where the turmoil of a lifetime begins to churn. And across the generations falls the long shadow of Carmel's famous father, an Irish poet of beautiful words and brutal actions. This is a meditation on love: spiritual, romantic, darkly sexual or genetic. A generational saga that traces the inheritance not just of trauma but also of wonder, it is a testament to the glorious resilience of women in the face of promises false and true. Above all, it is an exploration of the love between mother and daughter - sometimes fierce, often painful, but always transcendent.	276p	FICTION	CD
The Weight of Water	Evans, Penelope	Sara and Tom Ravenscroft need to escape London after a traumatic event nearly kills Tom. Their search for a safer, simpler life in the country takes them to Cornwall, to a house deep in its own valley. But the locals are hardly welcoming, and it is not long before Sara begins to struggle with the isolation while the haunting dream that has plagued her since childhood starts to creep into the present.	F 352p	FICTION	CD, LP
James	Everett, Percival	The Mississippi River, 1861. When the enslaved Jim overhears that he is about to be sold to a new owner in New Orleans and separated from his wife and daughter forever, he decides to hide on nearby Jackson's Island until he can formulate a plan. Meanwhile, Huck Finn has faked his own death to escape his violent father who recently returned to town. Thus begins a dangerous and transcendent journey by raft along the Mississippi River, toward the elusive promise of free states and beyond. As James and Huck begin to navigate the treacherous waters, each bend in the river holds the promise of both salvation and demise. With rumours of a brewing war, James must face the burden he carries: the family he is desperate to protect and the constant lie he must live. And together, the unlikely pair must face the most dangerous odyssey of them all	320p	FICTION	N/A
Red Lotus	Fai, Pai Kit	Li X'ia refuses to succumb to the fate of a concubine; beautiful and quick-witted, she desires more than to be just a painted slave. When her father orders her feet to be bound in the cruel and illegal practice of the Golden Lotus, she outwits him and begins a new journey, fraught with danger.	F 496p	FICTION	N/A

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Just got real	Fallon, Jane	When happily divorced Joni is reluctantly talked into joining a dating app, she is surprised to quickly hit it off with Ant. Phone calls and texts soon evolve into a plan to meet up. Which is a problem, as Joni's profile picture is of someone else. Joni doesn't confess her lie. Yet unable to stop thinking about what might have been, she hatches a plan to 'meet' Ant in real life without revealing who she really is. Once she and Ant are an item, however, it's soon clear that the only thing Ant was honest about was his profile picture. He's still online dating and intimately texting other women. So Joni contacts them - they need to know. And once they're comparing notes on Ant, upset turns to thoughts of revenge. But how do you get your own back on a truly heartless man?	391p	FICTION	CD
Seventh Son	Faulks, Sebastian	When a young woman named Talissa answers an advert to carry a child, she cannot begin to imagine the consequences. Behind the doors of the Parn Institute, a billionaire entrepreneur plans to stretch the boundaries of ethics as never before. Through a series of IVF treatments, one they hope no one ever discovers, they set in motion an experiment that is set to upend the human race as we know it. Seth, a baby, is delivered to hopeful parents Mary and Alaric, but when his differences start to mark him out from his peers, he begins to attract unwanted attention	356p	FICTION	N/A
Snobs	Fellowes, Julian	Brilliantly observed story of a beautiful, ambitious girl on her climb to the turreted top of the castle-hopping set, detailing every maddening and appallingly attractive nuance of English social life. An insightful, funny satire of English upper-crust country life. Sunday Times best seller	F 352p	FICTION	LP
My Brilliant Friend	Ferrante, Elena	A modern masterpiece from one of Italy's most acclaimed authors, My Brilliant Friend is a rich, intense, and generous-hearted story about Elena and Lila. Through the lives of these two women, Ferrante tells the story of a neighborhood, a city, and a country as it is transformed in ways that, in turn, also transform the relationship between the unforgettable Elena and Lila.	F 331p	FICTION	CD
Calling for Charlie Barnes	Ferris, Joshua	Charlie Barnes is a mid-century man devoted to his newspaper and his landline. But Charlie is about to get dragged into our troubled age by his storyteller son, who has a different idea of him than he has of himself. Then there are his other children, his ex-wives, present wife, business clients, friends and acquaintances, all of whom have <i>their</i> competing opinions of Charlie. He certainly seems simple enough: he's a striver, a romantic, and a capitalist. But suddenly blindsided by the Great Recession and a dose of bad news, he might have to rethink his life from top to bottom, and on short notice.	F 352p	FICTION	N/A
The Woman in the Window	Finn, A.J	Too terrified to step outside, Anna's lifeline to the world is her window, where she sits, watching her neighbours. But one evening, Anna witnesses something horrifying and now she must uncover the truth about what happened. But if she does, will anyone believe her? And can she even trust herself? Sunday Times Bestseller.	F 448p	FICTION	CD
Walking on Sunshine	Fletcher, Giovanna	After Mike loses Pia, his partner of seventeen years, their best friends Vicky and Zaza try to help pick up the pieces. But though Pia's gone, she left a plan. A list of loving instructions to help Mike and her friends come to terms with their loss. And they're each going to need it...	F 374p	FICTION	N/A

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Booth	Fowler, Karen Joy	The story of the brilliant and disastrously ill-fated Booth family. Junius is the patriarch, a celebrated Shakespearean actor who fled bigamy charges in England. As his children grow up in a remote farmstead in 1820s rural Baltimore, the country draws ever closer to the boiling point of secession and civil war. Of the six Booth siblings who survive to adulthood, each has their own dreams they must fight to realise - but it is Johnny who makes the terrible decision that will change the course of history - the assassination of Abraham Lincoln.	F 480p	FICTION	N/A
Homeland	Francis, Clare	Set in 1946, in the depths of the countryside where large numbers of the homeless Polish army have been housed nearby and farm labour is short due to war casualties. The lives of the villagers interweave with the returning servicemen and the alienated Poles.	F 484p	FICTION	CD
According to Yes	French, Dawn	Manhattan's Upper East Side has its own rigid code of behaviour. So when an unconventional thirty-eight-year-old primary school teacher from England bounces into their inflexible lives with a secret sorrow and a heart as big as the city, nobody realises she hasn't read the rule book. And for the Wilder-Bingham family, whose lives begin to unravel thread by thread, the consequences are explosive.	F 377p	FICTION	CD
The Running Grave	Galbraith, Robert	Private Detective Cormoran Strike is contacted by a worried father whose son, Will, has gone to join a religious cult in the depths of the Norfolk countryside. The Universal Humanitarian Church is, on the surface, a peaceable organisation that campaigns for a better world. Yet Strike discovers that beneath the surface there are deeply sinister undertones, and unexplained deaths. In order to try to rescue Will, Strike's business partner Robin Ellacott decides to infiltrate the cult and she travels to Norfolk to live incognito amongst them. But in doing so, she is unprepared for the dangers that await her there or for the toll it will take on her	1184p	FICTION	CD
Mother's Boy	Gale, Patrick	Laura, an impoverished Cornish girl, meets her husband when they are both in service in Teignmouth in 1916. They have a baby, Charles, but Laura's husband returns home from the trenches a damaged man, already ill with the tuberculosis that will soon leave her a widow. Laura raises her boy alone, working as a laundress, and gradually becomes aware that he is some kind of genius. Charles signs up for the navy with the new rank of coder. His escape from the tight, gossipy confines of Launceston to the colour and violence of war sees him blossom as he experiences not only the possibility of death, but the constant danger of a love that is as clandestine as his work.	F 406p	FICTION	N/A
One Hundred Years of Solitude	Garcia Marquez, Gabriel	In the book which put South America on the literary map, Márquez tells the haunting story of a community in which the political, the personal and the spiritual worlds intertwine.	422p	FICTION	CD, LP
Lessons in Chemistry	Garmus, Bonnie	Chemist Elizabeth Zott is not your average woman. In fact, Elizabeth Zott would be the first to point out that there is no such thing as an average woman. But it's the early 1960s and her all-male team takes a very unscientific view of equality. Except for one: Calvin Evans; the lonely, brilliant, Nobel-prize nominated grudge-holder who falls in love with—of all things—her mind. True chemistry results.	F 400p	FICTION	N/A
Porpoise	Haddon, Mark	A motherless girl grows up in isolated luxury, hidden from the world by her wealthy father. She believes their life together is normal – but as time passes, she has a growing sense that something between them is very wrong.	F 304p	FICTION	CD, LP

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Free Love	Hadley, Tessa	1967. While London comes alive with the new youth revolution, the suburban Fischer family seems to belong to an older world of conventional stability a homemaker Phyllis is married to Roger, a devoted father with a career in the Foreign Office. Their children are Colette and Hugh. When the twenty-something son of an old friend pays the Fischers a visit one summer evening, kisses Phyllis in the dark garden after dinner, something in her catches fire. Newly awake to the world, Phyllis makes a choice that defies all expectations of her as a wife and a mother. Daring and sensual, this is an irresistible exploration of romantic love, sexual freedom and living out the most meaningful version of our lives.	F 311p	FICTION	LP
Midnight Library	Haig, Matt	At the stroke of midnight on her last day on earth Nora finds herself transported to a library. There she is given the chance to undo her regrets and try out each of the other lives she might have lived. Which raises the ultimate question: with infinite choices, what is the best way to live? Winner: Goodreads choice award for fiction.	F 288p	FICTION	CD, LP
The Wolf Border	Hall, Sarah	Summoned by the eccentric Earl of Annerdale and his controversial scheme to reintroduce the Grey Wolf to the English countryside, Rachel must contend with modern-day concessions as the return of the Grey, after hundreds of years, coincides with her own reconciliation with impending motherhood, and her estranged family. The Wolf Border investigates the fundamental nature of wilderness and wildness, both animal and human.	F 448p	FICTION	CD
The Last White Man	Hamid, Moshin	One morning, Anders wakes to find that his skin has turned dark, his reflection a stranger to him. At first he tells only Oona, an old friend. Soon reports of similar occurrences surface across the land. Some see in the transformations the long-dreaded overturning of an established order, to be resisted to a bitter end. In many, like Anders' father and Oona's mother, a sense of profound loss wars with profound love.	F 180p	FICTION	N/A
The Camel Bookmobile	Hamilton, Masha	Librarian Fi Sweeney feels the need to do something worthwhile so applies for a project taking literacy to the African bush. A story touched with insight and humanity, together with a real appreciation of customs and everyday life of rural Africa, not to mention humour.	F 312p	FICTION	CD, LP
Miss Carter's War	Hancock, Sheila	It is 1948 and the young and beautiful Marguerite Carter has survived a terrifying war, working behind enemy lines. Now she sets out towards her future as an English teacher in a girls' grammar school. Outside the classroom Britain is changing fast, and Miss Carter finds herself caught up in social upheaval, swept in and out of love and forging deep, enduring friendships. Debut novel.	F 432p	FICTION	LP
A Haunting on the Hill	Hand, Elizabeth	Playwright Holly Sherwin is close to her big break. Having received a grant to develop her new play, all she needs is time and space to bring her vision to life. Then on a weekend away, she stumbles upon Hill House - an ornate if crumbling gothic mansion. Soon Holly's troop of actors - each with ghosts of their own - arrive at Hill House for a month-long creative retreat. But before long they find themselves at odds not just with one another, but with the house itself. For something has been waiting patiently in Hill House all these years. Something no longer content to walk alone.	325p	FICTION	N/A

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The making of another major motion picture	Hanks, Tom	Here is a wildly ambitious story of the making of a colossal, star-studded, multimillion-dollar superhero action film, and the humble comic book that inspired it all. Spanning 80 years of a changing America and culminating in the opening of the film, we meet a colourful cast of characters including a troubled soldier returning from war, a young boy with an artistic gift, an inspired and eccentric director, a pompous film star on the rise, a tireless production assistant and countless film crew members that together create Hollywood magic	417p	FICTION	CD
The Nightingale	Hannah, Kristin	A beautifully written and richly evocative examination of life, love, the ravages of war, and the different ways people react to unthinkable situations- not to mention the terrible and mounting toll of keeping secrets. This powerhouse of a story is equally packed with action and emotion.	F 449p	FICTION	CD
Conclave	Harris, Robert	The Pope is dead. Behind the locked doors of the Sistine Chapel, 118 Cardinals from all over the globe will cast their votes in the world's most secretive election. They are holy men. But they have ambition. And they have rivals. Over the next 72 hours one of them will become the most powerful spiritual figure on Earth	380p	FICTION	CD, LP
The Year of the Locust	Hayes, Terry	If, like Kane, you're a Denied Access Area spy for the CIA, then boundaries have no meaning. Your function is to go in, do whatever is required, and get out again - by whatever means necessary. You know when to run, when to hide - and when to shoot. But some places don't play by the rules. Some places are too dangerous, even for a man of Kane's experience. The badlands where the borders of Pakistan, Iran and Afghanistan meet are such a place - a place where violence is the only way to survive. Kane travels there to exfiltrate a man with vital information for the safety of the West - but instead he meets an adversary who will take the world to the brink of extinction. A frightening, clever, vicious man with blood on his hands and vengeance in his heart.	662p	FICTION	CD
Really good, actually	Heisey, Monica	Maggie's marriage has ended just 608 days after it started, but she's fine - she's doing really good, actually. Sure, she's alone for the first time and can't afford her rent and her obscure PhD is going nowhere but at the age of twenty-nine, Maggie is determined to embrace her new status as a Surprisingly Young Divorcee. As Maggie throws herself headlong into the chaos of her first year of divorce, she soon finds herself questioning everything, including: Why do we still get married? Did I fail before I even get started? And how many 4am delivery burgers do I need to eat until I am happy?	368p	FICTION	CD
Book Lovers	Henry, Emily	Nora is a cut-throat literary agent. Her whole life is books. Charlie is an editor with a gift for creating bestsellers. He's Nora's work nemesis. Nora has been through enough break-ups to know she's the woman men date <i>before</i> they find their happy-ever-after. Nora's sister has persuaded her to swap her desk for a month's holiday in Sunshine Falls, a small town in North Carolina. Instead of meeting sexy lumberjacks or handsome doctors Nora keeps bumping into Charlie. She's no heroine. He's no hero. So can they take a page out of an entirely different book?	F 377p	FICTION	N/A
Happy Place	Henry, Emily	Harriet and Wyn are the perfect couple - they go together like bread and butter, gin and tonic, Blake Lively and Ryan Reynolds. Every year, they take a holiday from their lives to drink far too much wine with their favourite people in the world. Except this year, they are lying through their teeth, because Harriet and Wyn broke up six months ago. And they still haven't told anyone. But the cottage is for sale, so this is the last time they'll all be here together. They can't bear to break their best friends' hearts so they'll fake it for one more week. But how can you pretend to be in love - and get away with it - in front of the people who know you best?	368p	FICTION	N/A

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The Perfect Couple	Hilderbrand, Elin	It's wedding season, and tensions are brewing. When one lavish wedding ends in disaster before it can even begin - with the maid of honour discovered dead in Nantucket Harbor just hours before the ceremony - everyone in the wedding party is suddenly a suspect. As Chief of Police Ed Kapenash digs into the best man, the bride, the groom's famous mystery novelist mother, and even a member of his own family, the chief discovers that every wedding is a minefield - and that no couple is perfect.	412p	FICTION	CD
The Island	Hislop, Victoria	Alexis goes to the town of Plaka in Crete to find out more about her ancestral history. Just off the coast of Plaka is a small island called Spinalonga, a leper colony. Her grandmother's childhood friend, Fotini, tells Alexis the surprising and detailed history of her past.	F 480p	FICTION	CD, LP
One August Night	Hislop, Victoria	In 1957, a great celebration is held in Crete to celebrate the closure of the leper colony at Spinalonga. But a cataclysmic event that same night turns it into a very different occasion. For some, it will mean a lifelong loss of liberty. Sequel to bestselling 'The Island'.	F 307p	FICTION	CD, LP
The Figurine	Hislop, Victoria	Concealed beneath the dust sheets in the Athens apartment she has inherited from her grandparents, Helena McCloud discovers a hidden hoard of rare antiquities, amassed during a dark period in Greek history when the city and its people were gripped by a brutal military dictatorship. Helena's fascination for archaeology, ignited by a summer spent on a dig on an Aegean island, tells her that she must return these precious artefacts to their rightful place. Only then will she be able to allay the darkness of the past and find the true meaning of home - for cultural treasures and for herself.	568p	FICTION	CD; LP
The Keeper of Lost Things	Hogan , Ruth	Anthony Peardew spent half his life collecting lost objects, so leaves his house and all its lost treasures to his assistant Laura, the one person he can trust to fulfil his legacy and reunite the thousands of objects with their rightful owners. A tender, quirky debut novel of lost objects and second chances, in the vein of The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry and The Rosie Project. A Richard & Judy Autumn Book Club Pick.	F 302p	FICTION	CD, LP
The Ladies' Midnight Swimming Club	Hogan, Faith	Three women ,Elizabeth, Jo and Lucy are thrown together by circumstance and become fast friends. But then Jo's world is turned upside down when she receives some shocking news. In search of solace, Jo and Elizabeth find themselves enjoying midnight dips in the freezing Irish Sea. Here they can laugh, cry and wash away all their fears. As well as conjure a fundraising plan for the local hospice that will bring the whole community together.	F 292p	FICTION	CD
It Ends With Us	Hoover, Colleen	Lily hasn't always had it easy, but that's never stopped her from working hard for the life she wants. Now living in Boston and the owner of a successful business she feels a spark with a gorgeous neurosurgeon named Ryle Kincaid and everything in Lily's life suddenly seems almost too good to be true. As questions about her new relationship begin to overwhelm her, so do thoughts of Atlas Corrigan — her first love. When he suddenly reappears, everything Lily has built with Ryle is threatened.	F 386p	FICTION	N/A

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Verity	Hoover, Colleen	Lowen Ashleigh is a struggling writer on the brink of financial ruin when she accepts the job offer of a lifetime. Jeremy Crawford, husband of bestselling author Verity Crawford, has hired Lowen to complete the remaining books in a successful series his injured wife is unable to finish. Lowen arrives at the Crawford home, ready to sort through years of Verity's notes and outlines, hoping to find enough material to get her started. What Lowen doesn't expect to uncover in the chaotic office is an unfinished autobiography Verity never intended for anyone to read. ...	333p	FICTION	CD, LP
A Thousand Splendid Suns	Hosseini, Khaled	This novel tells the wonderful, intensely moving story of two extraordinary Afghani women who are thrown together under highly unusual circumstances. The book follows their struggle against extreme evil, hardship and victimisation in a country torn apart by war.	F 432p	FICTION	CD, LP
And the Mountains Echoed	Hosseini, Khaled	A multi-generational family story revolving around brothers and sisters, 'And the Mountains Echoed' explores the ways in which they love, wound, betray, honour and sacrifice for each other.	F 404p	FICTION	CD, LP
Lady's Guide to Fortune Hunting	Irwin, Sophie	Kitty Talbot needs a fortune or rather a husband who has a fortune. It is 1818, only men have the privilege of seeking their own riches. With twelve weeks until the bailiffs call, launching herself into London society, Kitty must use every ounce of cunning and ingenuity she possesses to climb the ranks. The worldly Lord Radcliffe can see through her plans, he is determined to thwart her at any cost. Can Kitty secure a fortune and save her sisters from poverty?	F 400p	FICTION	LP
You, Me, Everything	Isaac, Catherine	Jess and her son William set off to spend the summer in the Dordogne hoping to make William's father, Adam, connect with his son. Jess can't allow him to let their son down because she is tormented by a secret of her own that nobody must discover. A poignant story of love, regret and second chances. Richard & Judy Book Club selection.	F 426p	FICTION	CD, LP
Klara and the Sun	Ishiguro, Kazuo	From her place in the store, Klara, an Artificial Friend with outstanding observational qualities, watches carefully the behavior of those who come in to browse, and of those who pass on the street outside. She remains hopeful that a customer will soon choose her, but when the possibility emerges that her circumstances may change forever, Klara is warned not to invest too much in the promises of humans.	F 320p	FICTION	CD
The Snow Child	Ivey, Eowyn	Jack and Mabel hope that a fresh start in 'Alaska, our newest homeland' will enable them to put the strain of their childless marriage behind them. When the first snow falls, they see a child running through the spruce trees. Gradually this child - an elusive, untameable little girl who hunts with a fox - comes into their lives. Richard and Judy Book Choice.	F 416p	FICTION	CD, LP
Never Greener	Jones, Ruth	Seventeen years after a passionate affair with a married man, Kate is living in London, married to Matt and mother to little Tallulah. But then Kate meets Callum again. Do they walk away from each other or risk finding out what might have been? Sunday Times Bestseller, WHSmith Book of the Year, Debut of the Year, British Book Awards.	F 416p	FICTION	N/A

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Amy and Lan	Jones, Sadie	Amy Connell and Lan Honey are having the best childhood. When their families make the leap from city living to a farm in the West Country they have untold freedom. The adults are far too busy to keep an eye on them, and Amy and Lan would never tell them about climbing on the high barn roof, or what happened with the axe that time, any more than their parents would tell them the things they get up to. Adult things, like betrayal, that threaten to bring the whole fragile idyll tumbling down.	F 311p	FICTION	N/A
The Secret Diaries of Charles Ignatius	Joseph, Paterson	It's 1746 and Georgian London is not a safe place for a young Black man, especially one who has escaped slavery. After the twinkling lights in the Fleet Street coffee shops are blown out, great houses have closed their doors for the night, Sancho must dodge slave catchers and worse. The man he hoped would help - a kindly duke who taught him to write - is dying. Sancho is desperate and utterly alone. So how does Charles Ignatius Sancho meet the King, write and play highly acclaimed music, become the first Black person to vote in Britain and lead the fight to end slavery?	F 432p	FICTION	N/A
Miss Benson's Beetle	Joyce, Rachel	It is 1950. London is still reeling from World War II, and Margery Benson, a schoolteacher and spinster, is trying to get through life, surviving on scraps. One day, she reaches her breaking point, abandoning her job and small existence to set out on an expedition to the other side of the world in search of her childhood obsession: an insect that may or may not exist--the golden beetle of New Caledonia. She appoints a new assistant, fun loving Enid Pretty who seems to attract trouble wherever she goes and together these two British women find themselves drawn into a cross-ocean adventure that exceeds all expectations and delivers something neither of them expected to find: the transformative power of friendship.	F 352p	FICTION	N/A
The Music Shop	Joyce, Rachel	1988. Frank owns a music shop jam-packed with records and Frank always finds his customers the music they need. When Ilse asks Frank to teach her about music, he is drawn to her but Ilse is not what she seems. And Frank has old wounds that threaten to re-open and a past he will never leave behind. A beautiful novel about love, the silences between words and hope. Radio Four Book at Bedtime.	F 321p	FICTION	CD
Before the Coffee gets cold	Kawaguchi, Toshikazu	In a cosy back alley in Tokyo, there is a cafe which has been serving carefully brewed coffee for more than one hundred years. But this coffee shop offers its customers a unique experience: the chance to travel back in time. Prepare to meet the next four visitors, each of whom is hoping to make use of the cafe's time-travelling offer. But the journey into the past does not come without risks: customers must sit in a particular seat, they cannot leave the cafe, and finally, they must return to the present before the coffee gets cold . . .	227p	FICTION	CD
So Late in the Day	Keegan, Claire	After an uneventful Friday at the Dublin office, Cathal faces into the long weekend and takes the bus home. There, his mind agitates over a woman named Sabine with whom he could have spent his life, had he acted differently. All evening, with only the television and a bottle of champagne for company, thoughts of this woman and others intrude - and the true significance of this particular	43p	FICTION	N/A

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The Answer to Everything	Kennard, Luke	Emily should be happy. She has a nice husband (even if they rarely speak to each other, let alone sleep in the same bed), two little boys she loves – and now, a brand-new house in which they can live out all of the bourgeois fantasies she knows she should be ashamed of. But still she aches for something more. Enter Alatheia and Elliott, their new neighbours, and also parents of two young boys. Alatheia is intimidatingly confident and beautiful, but also disarmingly open and friendly. And Elliott is intriguing. Dishevelled, talented, charming and a little lost, he seems as fascinated by Emily as she is by him, and soon their friendship has reached an intensity neither of them seem able to control. As riotously funny as it is painfully moving, this is a novel about disappointment and yearning; about parenting and growing up; and the search for love, meaning and connection.	F 407p	FICTION	N/A
The Loving Husband	Kent, Christobel	When Fran wakes one night to find her husband Nathan gone, she also makes a devastating discovery. As questions about her husband and her relationships start to mount, Fran's life begins to spiral out of control What is she hiding from the police and how well does she really know him? A gripping read for fans of Apple Tree Yard. Richard & Judy Book club Pick, Sunday Times Bestseller.	F 432p	FICTION	CD, LP
Secret Life Of Bees	Kidd, Sue Monk	Lily has grown up believing she accidentally killed her mother when she was four. When she is forced to flee her home in South Carolina with Rosaleen, a black servant, she starts a journey as much about her understanding of the world, as about the mystery surrounding her mother.	F 384p	FICTION	LP
The Mermaid Chair	Kidd, Sue Monk	Jessie Sullivan has been married half her life, and has become accustomed to her role. But when she returns to the isolated island she grew up on to establish why her mother has been behaving oddly, she is to find a lot more than she came looking for.	F 400p	FICTION	LP
Prodigal Summer	Kingsolver, Barbara	Over the course of one humid summer, Deanna Wolfe, a reclusive wildlife biologist, Lusa Landowski, a city girl turned farmer's wife and a pair of elderly feuding neighbours find their connections to one another and to the flora and fauna with whom they share a place, in a fine balance of narrative, drama and ideas.	F 464p	FICTION	CD
The Bean Trees	Kingsolver, Barbara	Plucky Taylor Greer grows up poor in rural Kentucky with two goals: to avoid pregnancy and to get away. But when she buys an old car and heads west, she soon becomes the guardian of an abandoned baby girl she calls Turtle. In Tuscon they encounter an extraordinary array of people and Taylor begins to build herself and her child a new life.	F 240p	FICTION	N/A
Remember Me?	Kinsella, Sophie	Lexi wakes up after a car accident, thinking it's 2004 and she's still twenty-five. But she learns it's actually 2007 - she's twenty-eight and she's married to a good-looking millionaire! Will she ever remember what happened to her? And what will happen if she does?	F 448p	FICTION	CD, LP
My Not so Perfect Life	Kinsella, Sophie	On social media, Katie Brenner has the perfect life: a flat in London, a glamorous job, and a super-cool Instagram feed. But the real truth is that she rents a tiny room, has a hideous commute to a lowly admin job and the life she shares on Instagram isn't really hers. When even this not-so-perfect life comes crashing down forcing her to move back home to Somerset, Katie has to restart from square one. A laugh out loud romantic comedy with an unusual depth and richness for the genre.	F 449p	FICTION	CD, LP

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The Party Crasher	Kinsella, Sophie	It's been over two years since Effie's beloved parents got divorced, destroying the image of the happy, loving childhood she thought she had. Since then, she's become estranged from her father and embarked on a feud with his much younger girlfriend, Krista. Now the family home is being sold and a "house cooling" party is being held. Effie hasn't been invited but decides to break in while everyone is busy at the party to retrieve a beloved childhood treasure which is still hidden in the house. Effie overhears conversations, makes discoveries, and begins to see her family in a new light. Then she runs into Joe--the love of her life, who long ago broke her heart, and who's still as handsome and funny as ever--and even more truths emerge.	F 368p	FICTION	CD
Yellowface	Kuang, Rebecca	When failed writer June Hayward witnesses her rival Athena Liu die in a freak accident, she sees her opportunity...and takes it. So what if it means stealing Athena's final manuscript? So what if it means 'borrowing' her identity? And so what if the first lie is only the beginning... Finally, June has the fame she always deserved. But someone is about to expose her... What happens next is entirely everyone else's fault.	326p	FICTION	N/A
The Unspeakable Acts of Zina Pavlou	Kyriacou, Eleni	London, 1954. Zina Pavlou, a Cypriot grandmother, waits quietly in the custody of the Metropolitan police. She can't speak their language, but she understands what their wary looks mean: she has been accused of the brutal murder of her daughter-in-law. Eva Georgiou, Greek interpreter for the Met, knows how it feels to be voiceless as an immigrant woman. While she works as Zina's translator, her obsession with the case deepens, and so too does her bond with the accused murderer. Zina can't speak for herself. She can't clear her own name. All she can do is wait for the world to decide....	404p	FICTION	N/A
Summertime	Lafaye, Vanessa	Drawing on actual events, Summertime is based on the Labor Day hurricane of 1935, one of the most intense in US recorded history. The threat of havoc lurks constantly, and a general sense of impending danger looms in the small town of Heron Key, where the relationships are as tangled as the mangrove roots in the swamp and everyone is preparing for the 4th of July barbecue.	F 368p	FICTION	CD, LP
Food of Love	Leith, Prue	From Cotswolds farmland to London fish markets, society ballrooms to icy gutters, this is a tale of prejudice and ambition, power and passion, and one couple's struggle to overcome all obstacles and carve out a life of their own. With twelve cookery books under her belt, Prue gave up writing about food to concentrate on fiction. This is her first novel.	F 432p	FICTION	LP
Caging Skies	Leunens, Christine	Johannes is an avid member of the Hitler Youth in the 1940s. After he is severely injured in a raid, he discovers his parents are hiding a Jewish girl called Elsa behind a false wall in their large house in Vienna. This book inspired the Oscar nominated film JoJo Rabbit.	F 304p	FICTION	N/A
The Blue Notebook	Levine, James A.	Batuk is a 15-year old girl who is sold into sexual slavery and lives in a cage on the streets of Mumbai. The novel is powerfully told in Batuk's voice, through the words she writes in her journal as she tries to understand and give meaning to her life. Searing, moving, and surprisingly hopeful.	F 224p	FICTION	LP
Never Far From Nowhere	Levy, Andrea	Olive and Vivien, born in London to Jamaican parents are brought up on a council estate. They go to the same grammar school, but while Vivien's life becomes a chaotic mix of youth clubs, skinhead violence, A-levels, discos and college, Olive, three years older and a skin shade darker, has a very different tale to tell...	F 288p	FICTION	LP

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We Are All Made Of Glue	Lewycka, Marina	Georgie Sinclair's life is coming unstuck. Her husband's left her. Her son's obsessed with the End of the World. And now her elderly neighbour Mrs Shapiro has decided they are related. Vibrant dialogue, a family meltdown and a wonderful cast of characters make this a laugh-out-loud social comedy.	F 444p	FICTION	CD, LP
Memoirs of a Dipper	Leyshon, Nell	Gary is a dipper, a burglar, a thief. He is still at junior school when his father first takes him out on the rob, and proves a fast learner: not much more than a child the first time he gets caught, he is a career criminal as soon as he is out again. But Gary is also fiercely intelligent - he often knows more about the antique furniture he is stealing than the people who own it, and is confident in his ability to trick his way out of any situation, always one step ahead. But all that changes when he falls for Mandy. A book that hums with an electric energy that never gets boring and feels shockingly, painfully real. Local Author.	F 320p	FICTION	N/A
Consequences	Lively, Penelope	Privileged misfit Lorna meets the love of her life and moves to a rustic cottage in Somerset. Her decisions and their unforeseeable consequences come to shape the stories of both her daughter and granddaughter. A hugely satisfying and romantic novel, which plots the lives of three generations of twentieth-century women.	F 279p	FICTION	LP
Deaf Sentence	Lodge, David	Professor Desmond Bates took early retirement, but he is not enjoying it. He misses the routine of the academic year and has lost his appetite for research. But these discontents are nothing compared to the affliction of hearing loss — a constant source of domestic friction and social embarrassment which inadvertently involves Desmond with a young woman whose wayward behaviour threatens to destabilize his life completely. Funny and moving by turns, Deaf Sentence is a witty, original and absorbing account of one man's effort to come to terms with deafness, ageing and mortality, and the comedy and tragedy of human lives.	F 304p	FICTION	CD, LP
Quality of Silence	Lupton, Rosamund	In icy November Yasmin and her ten-year-old daughter Ruby set off on a journey across Northern Alaska. They're searching for Ruby's father, missing in the arctic wilderness and Ruby, deaf since birth, must brave the darkness where sight cannot guide her. But there is somebody out there who wants to stop them. This relentlessly tense thriller is also a child's-eye family drama and a beautifully written literary slow-burn. Sunday Times Top-Ten Bestseller and Richard and Judy Book Club Choice.	F 416p	FICTION	CD, LP
Prophet Song	Lynch, Paul	On a dark, wet evening in Dublin, scientist and mother-of-four Elisih Stack answers her front door to find the GNSB on her step. Two officers from Ireland's newly formed secret police are here to interrogate her husband, Larry, a trade unionist. Ireland is falling apart. The country is in the grip of a government turning towards tyranny and when her husband disappears, Eilish finds herself caught within the nightmare logic of a society that is quickly unravelling. Soon, she must decide just how far she is willing to go to keep her family safe.	259p	FICTION	CD
In Ascension	MacInnes, Martin	Leigh grewup in Rotterdam, drawn to the waterfront as an escape from her unhappy home life and volatile father. Enchanted by the undersea world of her childhood, she excels in marine biology, travelling the globe to study ancient organisms. When a trench is discovered in the Atlantic ocean, Leigh joins the exploration team, hoping to find evidence of the earth's first life forms - what she instead finds calls into question everything we know about our own beginnings.	398p	FICTION	CD

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How To Kill Your Family	Mackie, Bella	When Grace Bernard discovers her absentee millionaire father has rejected her dying mother's pleas for help, she vows revenge, and sets about to kill every member of his family. Readers have a front row seat as Grace picks off the family one by one – and the result is as and gruesome as it is entertaining in this wickedly dark romp about class, family, love... and murder. But then Grace is imprisoned for a murder she didn't commit.	F 400p	FICTION	N/A
Close to Home	Magee, Michael	Sean is back. Back in Belfast and back into old habits. Back on the mad all-nighters, the borrowed tenners and missing rent, the casual jobs that always fall through. Back in these scarred streets, where the promised prosperity of peacetime has never arrived. Back among his brothers, his ma, and all the things they never talk about. Until one night Sean finds himself at a party - dog-tired, surrounded by jeering strangers, his back against the wall - and he makes a big mistakes.	277p	FICTION	N/A
Station Eleven	Mandel, Emily St John	An audacious, darkly glittering novel about art, fame, and ambition set in the eerie days of civilization's collapse. Moving backwards and forwards in time, from the glittering years just before the collapse to the strange and altered world that exists 20 years after.	F 384p	FICTION	CD
Western Lane	Maroo, Chetna	Eleven-year-old Gopi has been playing squash since she was old enough to hold a racket. When her mother dies, her father enlists her in a quietly brutal training regimen, and the game becomes her world. Slowly, she grows apart from her sisters. Her life is reduced to the sport, guided by its rhythms; the serve, the volley, the drive, the shot and its echo. But on the court, she is not alone. She is with he pa. She is with Ged, a thirteen-year-old boy with his own formidable talent. She is with the players who have come before her. She is in awe.	172p	FICTION	N/A
It's Now or Never	Matthews, Carole	When twins Annie and Lauren attend their sister Chelsea's fortieth at the Dorchester Hotel, they wonder why their lives are so totally different from their glamorous sister. Is it too late to change their lives? Witty, clever and heartbreaking.	F 384p	FICTION	CD
The Girl Who Fell From the Sky	Mawer, Simon	Recruited to go undercover in war time, Marian parachutes into south-west France on a crucial mission. Both a gripping adventure story and a moving meditation on patriotism, betrayal and the limits of love.	F 368p	FICTION	CD, LP
The Pavilion in the Clouds	McCall Smith, Alexander	It is 1938 and the final days of the British Empire. In a bungalow high up in the green hills above the plains of Ceylon, under a vast blue sky, live the Ferguson family: Bella, a precocious eight-year-old; her father Henry - owner of Pittlochry, a tea plantation - and her mother Virigina. The story centres around the Pavilion in the Clouds, set in the idyllic grounds carved out of the wilderness. But all is not as serene as it seems. Bella is suspicious of her governess, Miss White's intentions. Her suspicion sparks off her mother's imagination and after an unfortunate series of events, a confrontation is had with Miss White and a gunshot rings off around the hills.	233p	FICTION	CD
The Passenger	McCarthy, Cormac	It is three in the morning when Bobby Western zips the jacket of his wetsuit and plunges from the boat deck into darkness. His divelight illuminates the sunken jet, nine bodies still buckled in their seats. Missing from the crash site are the pilot's flightbag, the plane's black box, and the tenth passenger. But how? Western is shadowed in body and spirit - by men with badges; by the ghost of his father, inventor of the atom bomb; and by his sister, the love and ruin of his soul.	F 400p	FICTION	CD

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Mother Hens	McCartney, Sophie	Cara Carmichael's bestie is finally getting hitched , and she's over the moon because it means one thing... Whoah, they're going to Ibiza! Mums on Tour; ditching kids, partners and better judgement for a long-weekend of sun, sea and sex...y support pants. What could possibly go 'Pete Tong'? Lazy days, crazy nights and child-free hangovers sound like hedonistic heaven - but it turns out you can get into a hell of a lot of trouble on the party island where rules are meant to be broken. Four friends, three nights, two murders - one heck of an adventure.	320p	FICTION	N/A
Lessons	McEwan, Ian	When the world is still counting the cost of World War Two and the Iron Curtain descends, young Roland Baines's life is turned upside down. 2000 miles from his mother's love, stranded at boarding school, his vulnerability attracts piano teacher Miriam Cornell, leaving scars as well as a memory of love that will never fade. 25 years later Roland's wife mysteriously vanishes, leaving him alone with their baby son. He is forced to confront the reality of his rootless existence. As radiation from the Chernobyl disaster spreads, Roland begins a search for answers that looks deep into his family history and will last for the rest of his life.	F 486p	FICTION	CD
The Children Act	McEwan, Ian	Fiona Maye, a respected High Court judge, finds her life in crisis when her husband of 30 years standing shocks her with an unreasonable request. At precisely the same time, she is ordered to try a new case. It is an urgent matter of life and death, bringing science and religion into direct conflict - and at its centre is a 17 year old Jehovah's Witness boy with the whole of his life ahead of him. Exactly the kind of case where a small error of judgement might have grave and lasting consequences.	F 224p	FICTION	CD, LP
The Housemaid	McFadden, Freida	"Welcome to the family," Nina Winchester says as I shake her elegant, manicured hand. I smile politely, gazing around the marble hallway. Working here is my last chance to start fresh. I can pretend to be whoever I like. The Winchesters don't know who I really am. They don't know what I'm capable of. But I'll soon learn that the Winchesters' secrets are far more dangerous than my own...	338p	FICTION	N/A
Lean Fall Stand	McGregor, Jon	Doc Wright could be two steps or two miles from his team. In an ice storm, distance loses meaning. No one can see. No one answers their radio. All he can do is keep going, but something has gone wrong inside his head. Back home, he is the only one who can explain what happened to them in Antarctica. But after what changed on the ice, everything has lost its meaning. Now his wife, Anna, must become his carer. Now he must find a new way to be in the world. All he can do is try to tell his story - even if words fail him.	F 282p	FICTION	N/A
The Exhibitionist	Mendelson, Charlotte	Meet the Hanrahan family, gathering for a momentous weekend, famous artist and notorious egoist Ray Hanrahan prepares for a new exhibition of his art and one he is sure will burnish his reputation for good. His three children will be there: beautiful Leah, sensitive Patrick and insecure Jess, the youngest, who has her own momentous decision to make. And what of Lucia, Ray's steadfast and selfless wife? She is an artist, too, but has always had to put her roles as wife and mother first. What will happen if she decides to change?	F 322p	FICTION	N/A
The Witching Tide	Meyer, Margaret	East Anglia, 1645, Martha Hallybread, a midwife, healer and servant, is a trusted figure in her beloved coastal village of Cleftwater - even though no one has ever heard her speak. One day, the peaceful atmosphere is disrupted by the arrival of a witch-hunter, and suspicion threatens to tear the community apart. When Martha is drawn into the search, she finds herself torn between protecting herself or her friends. As the tide of suspicion builds and events hurtle towards a terrible reckoning. Martha's silence is a choice that could cost her everything	316p	FICTION	N/A

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Utopia Avenue	Mitchell, David	A rock and roll fable which follows a fictional British band from Soho clubs and draughty ballrooms to the promised land of America in the 1960s - a multi-faceted tale of dreams, drugs, love, sexuality, madness and grief which defines an era.	F 576p	FICTION	N/A
These Foolish Things	Moggach, Deborah	Dr. Ravi Kapoor has reached the end of his tether when his impossible father-in-law moves into the spare bedroom. But then his cousin Sonny starts a home for old people in a converted guesthouse in Bangalore. Hilarity is matched with the poignancy of getting old, and comedy with the darker issues of care in the community. Filmed as "The best Exotic Marigold Hotel"	F 304p	FICTION	CD, LP
Something To Hide	Moggach, Deborah,	Petra's love life is a bit of a car-crash, even in her sixties. But then she falls for Jeremy, an old chum, visiting from abroad. The catch? Jeremy is her best friend's husband. And just as Petra is beginning to relax guiltily into her happy ever after, she finds herself catapulted to West Africa, and to Bev, her best friend who she's been betraying so spectacularly. A warm, witty and wise novel about the unexpected twists that later life can bring from the author of Best Exotic Marigold Hotel.	F 352p	FICTION	CD
The French Gardener	Montefiore, Santa	Miranda and David move out of London into a country house with a magical garden. But Miranda insists on tottering across the wet lawn in kitten heels, David is never there, and the kids won't tear themselves away from the telly. Then an enigmatic Frenchman arrives and begins to heal the past and the present. But who is he?	F 416p	FICTION	CD,LP
The Husband's Secret	Moriarty, Liane	Mother of three and wife of John-Paul, Cecilia discovers an old envelope in the attic. Written in her husband's hand, it says: to be opened only in the event of my death. Curious, she opens it - and time stops. John-Paul's letter confesses to a terrible mistake which, if revealed, would wreck their family as well as the lives of others. New York Times Bestseller.	F 448p	FICTION	CD
Nine Perfect Strangers	Moriarty, Liane	Tranquillum House promises total transformation where stressed city dwellers are invited to drop their literal and mental baggage. Isolated from the outside world, they are able to get to know one another. But behind the retreat's glamorous facade lies a dark agenda. These nine perfect strangers have no idea what's about to hit them. Sunday Times Bestseller, Richard & Judy Book Club Pick.	F 464p	FICTION	CD
Truly Madly Guilty	Moriarty, Liane	This is a story which begins with a barbecue in the suburbs. By the end of it a lifelong friendship will be in tatters, a marriage on the rocks and an innocent bystander dead. In just one evening six lives will change for ever . From the bestselling author behind the addictive, EMMY and Golden Globe -winning series Big Little Lies, expect a riveting drama packed with suspense and secrets.Best Books of 2016: Independent .	F 472 p	FICTION	CD
War Horse	Morpurgo, Michael	A stunning wartime classic. In the deadly chaos of the First World War, one horse witnesses the reality of battle from both sides of the trenches. Bombarded by artillery, with bullets knocking riders from his back, Joey tells a powerful story of the truest friendships surviving in terrible times.	F 192p	FICTION	CD,LP
Tattooist of Auschwitz	Morris, Heather	In 1942, Lale Sokolov was given the job of tattooing the prisoners marked for survival in Auschwitz-Birkenau. Waiting in line to be tattooed was a young girl. For Lale it was love at first sight and he was determined not only to survive, but to ensure this woman, Gita, did, too. Radio Four Book at Bedtime.	F 320p	FICTION	CD, LP

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Sisters under the Rising Sun	Morris, Heather	1942, Singapore is falling to the Japanese Army. English musician Norah Chambers places her eight-year-old daughter Sally on a ship leaving Singapore, desperate to keep her safe. As the island burns, Australian nurse Nesta James joins the terrified cargo of people, including the heartbroken Norah, crammed aboard the HMS Vyner Brooke. After only two days at sea, the ship is bombarded and sunk. Nesta and Norah reach the beaches of Indonesia only to be captured and held in one of the notorious Japanese POW camps, places of starvation and brutality. But even here joy can be found, in music, where Norah's 'voice orchestra' transports the internees from squalor into light. The friendships they build with the dozens of other women in the camps will give them the hope, strength and camaraderie they need in order to stay alive.	401p	FICTION	CD; LP
Homecoming	Morton, Kate	Jess is a London journalist in search of a story. A phone call out of nowhere summons her back to Sydney, where she discovers a true crime book that chronicles the police investigation into a long-buried event: the Turner Family Tragedy of Christmas Eve 1959, a shocking and perplexing mystery. It is only when Jess skims through the pages that she finds a shocking connection between her own family and this once-infamous scandal – a murder mystery that has never been resolved satisfactorily.	F 640p	FICTION	CD
The Forgotten Garden	Morton, Kate	On the eve of the First World War, a little girl is found alone after a gruelling ocean voyage from England to Australia. All she can remember is that a woman she calls the Authoress had promised to look after her. But the Authoress has vanished. So starts the haunting second novel from the author of 'The House at Riverton'.	F 350p	FICTION	CD
Homecoming	Morton, Kate	Seeking comfort in her past, Jess discovers a true crime book chronicling a long-buried police case: the Turner Family Tragedy of 1959. And within its pages she finds a shocking personal connection to this notorious event - a crime that has never truly been solved . Home coming is an epic novel that spans generations and asks what we would do for those we love, and how we protect the lies we tell. It explores the power of motherhood, the corrosive effects of tightly held secrets, and the healing nature of truth.	631p	FICTION	CD
Summerwater	Moss, Sarah	On the longest day of the summer, twelve people sit cooped up with their families in a faded Scottish cabin park. The endless rain leaves them with little to do but watch the other residents until one particular family, a mother and daughter, starts to draw the attention of the others. Tensions rise and all watch on, unaware of the tragedy that lies ahead as night finally falls.	F 199p	FICTION	N/A
The Tidal Zone	Moss, Sarah	A courageous and unflinching novel of contemporary life - unbearably sad, but also miraculously funny and ultimately hopeful. The Tidal Zone explores parental love, overwhelming fear, illness and recovery when a teenage girl collapses at school for no apparent reason. It is about clever teenagers and the challenges of marriage. It is about the NHS, academia, sex and gender in the twenty-first century, the work-life juggle, and the politics of packing lunches and loading dishwashers.	F 336 p	FICTION	CD, LP
The Citadel	Mosse, Kate	Set during World War II in the far south of France, this is a powerful, action-packed mystery that reveals the secrets of the resistance under Nazi occupation. While war blazed in the trenches at the front, back at home a different battle is waged, full of clandestine bravery, treachery and secrets. Originally published: 2012.	F 784p	FICTION	CD, LP

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I am Heathcliff : stories inspired by Wuthering Heights	Mosse, Kate	Sixteen stories inspired by Wuthering Heights, In 'Terminus' a young woman hides in an empty Brighton hotel; in 'Thicker Than Blood' a man stalks his newly-married love on social media and a woman recalls the 'Heathcliffs I Have Known' and the physical danger she has borne at their hands. These short stories will stir the heart and awaken vital conversation about love.	F 304p	FICTION	CD
The Ghost Ship	Mosse, Kate	The Barbary Coast, 1621. A mysterious vessel floats silently on the water. It is known only as the Ghost Ship. For months it has hunted pirates to liberate those enslaved by corsairs, manned by a courageous crew of mariners from Italy and France, Holland and the Canary Islands. But the bravest among them are not who they seem. The stakes could not be higher. If arrested, they will be hanged for their crimes. Can they survive the journey and escape their fate?	475p	FICTION	CD
Colorless Tsukuru Tazaki and His Years of Pilgrimage	Murakami, Haruki	A mesmerising mystery story about friendship that sold more than a million copies the first week it went on sale in Japan. Tsukuru Tazaki had four best friends at school. One day they announced that they didn't want to see him, or talk to him, ever again. Since that day Tsukuru has been floating through life, unable to form intimate connections with anyone. But then he meets Sara, who tells him that the time has come to find out what happened all those years ago.	F 304p	FICTION	CD
The Bee Sting	Murray, Paul	The Barnes family is in trouble. Dickie's once-lucrative car business is going under - but rather than face the music, he's spending his days in the woods, building an apocalypse-proof bunker . His wife Imelda is selling off her jewellery on eBay while their teenage daughter Cass, formerly top of her class, seems determined to binge-drink her way to her final exams. And twelve-year-old PJ is putting the final touches to his grand plan to run away from home. Where did it all go wrong? And if the story has already been written - is there still time to find a happy ending?	645p	FICTION	N/A
Dear Edward	Napolitano, Ann	One summer morning, a flight takes off from New York to Los Angeles. There are 192 passengers aboard: among them a young woman taking a pregnancy test in the airplane toilet; a Wall Street millionaire flirting with the air hostess; an injured soldier returning from Afghanistan; and two beleaguered parents moving across the country with their adolescent sons, bickering over who gets the window seat. When the plane suddenly crashes in a field in Colorado, the younger of these boys, 12-year-old Edward Adler, is the sole survivor. 'Dear Edward' depicts Edward's life in the crash's aftermath as he struggles to make sense of the meaning of his survival.	F 341p	FICTION	CD, LP
The Dogs and the Wolves	Nemirovsky, Irene	This novel goes right back to Irene Nemirovsky's roots, sweeping the reader from the Jewish quarter of a Ukrainian city in the early years of the 20th century to Paris in the twenties and thirties, and back again to eastern Europe in a snowy winter on the eve of war.	F 224p	FICTION	N/A
Heavens	Newman, Sandra	A love story, complicated by time-travel as Kate lives parallel lives in 2000 and 1593, with each choice she makes in the past influencing her future. A cleverly constructed literary fable.	F 272p	FICTION	CD

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Julia	Newman, Sandra	Julia knows how to survive in a world of constant surveillance, Thought Police, Newspeak, Doublethink, child spies and the black markets of the prole neighbourhoods. She's very good at staying alive. But Julia becomes intrigued by a colleague from the Records Department - a mid-level worker of the Outer Party called Winston Smith. She comes to realise that she's losing her grip and can no longer safely navigate her world. For the millions of readers who have been brought up with Orwell's Nineteen Eighty-Four, here, finally, is a provocative, vital and utterly satisfying companion novel.	388p	FICTION	N/A
Little Fires Everywhere	Ng, Celeste	A burning house sparks tensions within an all-too-perfect suburban community in a story exploring race, identity and family secrets. Obsession and prejudice soon flare when an enigmatic artist moves into a placid community with her free-spirit daughter.	F 400p	FICTION	LP
Everything I Never told You	Ng, Celeste	Lydia is the favourite child of Marilyn and James Lee. But Lydia is under pressures that have nothing to do with growing up in 1970s small town Ohio. Her father is born of first-generation Chinese immigrants, and their ethnicity, makes them conspicuous. When Lydia's body is found in the local lake, the family all react very differently, but it's the youngest in the family - Hannah - who observes far more than anyone realises and who may be the only one who knows what really happened.	F 304p	FICTION	CD, LP
Sweet Sorrow	Nicholls, David	Charlie Lewis is the kind of boy you don't remember, but when he meets Fran, change becomes possible and hope comes into his life. A tragicomedy about the rocky path to adulthood and the confusion of family life. Sunday Times Bestseller.	F 416p	FICTION	CD
The Pursuit of William Abbey	North, Claire	Powerful novel about a young man haunted by a ghost from his past, and by the dark crimes committed in the name of the British empire. Moving and thought provoking writing from award winning author.	F 432p	FICTION	N/A
Forever Home	Norton, Graham	Carol is a divorced teacher living in a small town in Ireland, her only son now grown. A second chance at love brings her unexpected connection and belonging. The new relationship sparks local speculation. When Declan becomes ill, things start to fall apart. His children are untrusting and cruel, and Carol is forced to leave their beloved home and move back in with her parents. Carol's mother is determined to get to the bottom of things, she won't see her daughter suffer in this way. It seems there are secrets in Declan's past that were never confronted.	F 360p	FICTION	CD, LP
After You'd Gone	O'Farrell, Maggie	A distraught young woman boards a train at King's Cross to return to her family in Scotland. Six hours later, she catches sight of something so terrible that she gets on the next train back to London. The story follows Alice's mental journey through her own past, after a traffic accident has left her in a coma.	F 384p	FICTION	CD, LP
Instructions for a Heatwave	O'Farrell, Maggie	London, July 1976. It hasn't rained for months, and Robert Riordan tells his wife Gretta that he's going round the corner to buy a newspaper. He doesn't come back. The search for Robert brings Gretta's estranged children back home, each with different ideas as to where their father might have gone.	F 352p	FICTION	CD, LP
The Vanishing Act of Esme Lennox	O'Farrell, Maggie	Set between the 1930s and the present, Maggie O'Farrell's novel is the story of Esme, a woman edited out of her family's history, and of the secrets that come to light when, 60 years later, she is released from care, and a young woman, Iris, discovers the great aunt she never knew she had.	F 288p	FICTION	CD, LP
The Flat Share	O'Leary, Beth	Tiffany and Leon share a flat but have never met - Leon occupies the one-bed flat while Tiffany's at work in the day, and she has the flat the rest of the time. A quirky love story, both funny and charming. Sunday Times bestseller.	F 394p	FICTION	CD, LP

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No Show	O'Leary, Beth	8.52 a.m. Siobhan's been looking forward to her breakfast date with Joseph. She was surprised when he suggested it - she normally sees him late at night in her hotel room. Breakfast with Joseph on Valentine's Day surely means something, so where is he? 2.43 p.m. Miranda's hoping that a Valentine's Day lunch with Carter will be the perfect way to celebrate her new job. It's a fresh start and a sign that her grown-up life is finally falling into place. But why hasn't he shown up? 6.30 p.m. Joseph Carter agreed to be Jane's fake boyfriend at a colleague's engagement party. They've not known each other long but their friendship is fast becoming the brightest part of her new life in Winchester. Joseph promised to save Jane tonight. But he's not here. Meet Joseph Carter. That is, if you can find him.	F 392p	FICTION	CD, LP
The Cows	O'Porter, Dawn	When one extraordinary event rockets Tara to online infamy, three women's worlds collide in ways they could never imagine – and they discover that one woman's catastrophe might just be another's inspiration..Fierce and funny. Sunday Times Bestseller.	F 448p	FICTION	CD
Cat Lady	O'Porter, Dawn	It's safer for Mia to play the part that people expect. She's a good wife to her husband Tristan, a doting stepmother, she slips on her suit for work each morning like a new skin. But beneath the surface, there's another woman just clawing to get out. When a shocking event shatters the conventional life she's been so careful to build, Mia is faced with a choice. Does she live for a society that's all too quick to judge, or does she live for herself? And if that's as an independent woman with a cat, then the world better get ready.	342p	FICTION	CD
Wandering Stars	Orange, Tommy	Following its unforgettable characters through almost two centuries of history, from the horrors of the Sand Creek Massacre of 1865 to the aftermath of a mass shooting in the early 21st century, 'Wandering Stars' is an indelible novel of America's war on its own people. It is also the tender, shattering story of many generations of a Native American family, struggling to find ways through displacement, addiction and pain, towards home and hope.	320p	FICTION	N/A
Last Devil to Die	Osman, Richard	You'd think you would be allowed to relax over Christmas, but not in the world of the Thursday Murder Club. On Boxing Day, a dangerous package is smuggled across the English coast. When it goes missing, chaos is unleashed. The body count starts to rise - including someone close to the Thursday Murder Club - as our gang face an impossible search and their most deadly opponents yet. With the clock ticking down and a killer heading to Cooper's Chase, has their luck finally run out? And who will be 'the last devil to die'?	421p	CRIME	CD; LP
Where the Crawdads Sing	Owens, Delia	Sensitive and intelligent, Kya has survived for years alone in the marsh that she calls home, finding friends in the gulls and lessons in the sand. When two young men from town become intrigued by her wild beauty, Kya opens herself to a new life - until the unthinkable happens. Bestseller.	F 384p	FICTION	CD, LP
Peaces	Oyeyemi Helen	'Peaces' is the story of Otto and Xavier Shin, a couple who embark on a mysterious train that takes them far beyond any destination they could have anticipated. As the carriages roll along they become embroiled in intrigue - who is Ava Kapoor, the sole full-time inhabitant of the train, and what is her relationship to a man named Prem? Are they passengers or prisoners? We discover who orchestrated the journey, hurtling them all into their past for clues.	F 256p	FICTION	CD

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The Lido	Page, Libby	Rosemary has lived in Brixton all her life. Everything she knows is changing - the library where she used to work has closed, the family fruit and veg shop has become a trendy bar, and her beloved husband George is gone. Kate has just moved and feels alone in a city that is too big for her, and is at the bottom rung of her career as a local journalist. So when the local lido is threatened with closure, Kate knows this story could be her chance to shine. Together they are determined to make a stand, to show that the pool is more than just a place to swim - it is the heart of the community.	F 394p	FICTION	CD, LP
Starting Over	Parsons, Tony	After suffering a heart attack at the age of 42, George is given the heart of a 19-year-old - and suddenly everything changes... He is a friend to his teenage son and daughter. He makes love to his wife all night long. And suddenly he wants to change the world. But George discovers that being young again is not all it is cracked up to be - and what he actually wants is to have his old life back.	F 320p	FICTION	LP
Thin Air	Paver, Michelle	The Himalayas, 1935. Kangchenjunga. Third-highest peak on earth. Five Englishmen set off from Darjeeling, determined to conquer the sacred summit. But the mountain is not their only foe. Mountain sickness and the horrors of extreme altitude clash with a past that will not stay buried. Chosen for the Radio 2 Book Club, this is a chilling ghost story.	F 240p	FICTION	CD, LP
Dear Mrs Bird	Pearce, A.J	London, 1941. Amid the falling bombs Emmeline Lake dreams of becoming a fearless Lady War Correspondent but finds herself employed as a typist for a renowned agony aunt who refuses to answer many of the letters. So Emmy decides she simply must help and secretly starts to write back – after all, what harm could that possibly do? A joyous debut novel.	F 320p	FICTION	CD, LP
Under a Pole Star	Penney, Stef	Three people obsessed with the north whose paths cross in a place where violent extremes exist side by side: perpetual night and endless day; frozen seas and coastal meadows; heroism and lies. This is a compelling look at the dark side of the 'golden age' of exploration, a study of the corrosive power of ambition, and an epic, incendiary love story. It shows that sometimes you have to travel to the furthest edge of the world in order to find your true place in it. Costa winning author.	F 608p	FICTION	CD
Mad Honey	Picoult, Jodi	Olivia fled her abusive marriage to return to her hometown and take over the family beekeeping business when her son was six. Now Asher is over 6 feet tall and in his last year of high school, a kind, good-looking, popular ice hockey star with a tiny sprite of a new girlfriend who Olivia loves. Then Olivia gets a phone call - Lily is dead, and Asher is arrested on a charge of murder. As the case against him unfolds, she realises he has hidden more than he's shared with her. And Olivia knows firsthand that the secrets we keep reflect the past we want to leave behind.	F 452p	FICTION	CD
Picture Perfect	Picoult, Jodi	A woman is found in a Los Angeles graveyard, unable to remember anything about herself or her life. No one is more surprised than she when, days later, her husband comes to the police station to take her home - and turns out to be Hollywood's leading superstar, Alex Rivers.	F 449p	FICTION	LP
Wandering Souls	Pin, Cecile	One night, not long after the last American troops leave Vietnam, siblings Anh, Thanh and Minh flee their village and embark on a perilous journey in hope of a new life. Separated from their parents and fearing the worst they find themselves travelling alone in the world without a home to return to. After a twist of fate lands them in Thatcher's Britain, they must somehow build new lives there. Will the love they have for each other be enough to keep them together?	243p	FICTION	N/A

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Delphi	Pollard, Clare	In a time more turbulent than any of us could have ever imagined, a woman is attempting to write a book about prophecy in the ancient world. Navigating the tightening grip of lockdown, a marriage in crisis, and a ten-year-old son who seems increasingly unreachable, she becomes fixated on our many forms of divination and prediction. But in doing so she fails to notice the future creeping into the heart of her own home. For despite our best intentions sometimes those we love, can still slip away.	F 224p	FICTION	N/A
The Shepherd's Crown	Pratchett, Terry	Deep in the Chalk, something is stirring. The owls and the foxes can sense it, and Tiffany Aching feels it in her boots. An old enemy is gathering strength and she stands between the light and the dark, the good and the bad. The last fantasy novel by the acclaimed author, it ruminates on mortality and morality and is a fitting finale.	F 336p	FICTION	CD, LP
Away with the Penguins	Prior, Hazel	Veronica is rarely seen by anyone because, at 85, her days are spent mostly at home, alone. She has no idea who will inherit her considerable wealth when she dies, until she makes a decision that changes everything. Heartwarming and uplifting coming of old age story.	F 416p	FICTION	N/A
Acting Up	Purves, Libby	At 24, Lieutenant Susie Anderson delays her wedding to handsome fellow-officer Callum and joins her regiment on the hot sands of Kuwait. But when Callum comes home injured, altered and bitter, Susie and her family feel as though their lives are shattered. The solution to this tangle comes from the most unlikely source of all.	F 288p	FICTION	CD, LP
Excellent Women	Pym, Barbara	Mildred Lathbury is one of those 'excellent women' who is often taken for granted. She is a godsend, capable of dealing with almost anything. As such, she often gets herself embroiled in other people's lives - especially those of her glamorous new neighbours, the Napiers, whose marriage seems to be on the rocks.	304p	FICTION	CD; LP
Alternate Side	Quindlen, Anna	Captivating novel about money, class and self-discovery set in the heart of New York where the tensions in a tight-knit neighbourhood – and a seemingly happy marriage – are exposed by an unexpected act of violence. Richard and Judy Book Club pick.	F 305p	FICTION	N/A
The Whalebone Theatre	Quinn, Joanna	Cristabel Seagrave has always wanted her life to be a story, but there are no girls in the books in her dusty family library. For an unwanted orphan who grows into an unmarriageable young woman, there is no place at all for her in a traditional English manor. But from the day that a whale washes up on the beach at the Chilcombe estate in Dorset, and twelve-year-old Cristabel plants her flag and claims it as her own, she is determined to do things differently.	F 548p	FICTION	N/A
The Whale Tattoo	Ransom, Jon	When a giant sperm whale washes up on the local beach and tells Joe Gunner that death will follow him wherever he goes, Joe knows that the place he needs to go is back home but it won't be easy, nor will returning to the river alongside the house where words ripple beneath the muddy black water washing up all sorts of memories and disturbing prophecies. Joe turns to his sister, Birdie, the only person who has ever listened. But she can't help him, she drowned two years earlier, even though he still talks to her as if she never went away. Then there's Tim Fysh. A local fisherman and longtime lover. But reviving their bond is not without trouble. He tells himself that the whale's prediction is wrong. But the river is relentless.	F 230p	FICTION	N/A

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The Hourglass	Rees, Tracy	A gorgeous, uplifting novel about finding love even after it seems too late. Shifting from 1950's childhood holidays in Wales, where Chloe is smitten with a local boy, to the present, where Nora, her daughter finds herself drawn to the sweeping beaches of Tenby. But Tenby hides a secret, and Nora will soon discover that this little town by the sea has the power to heal even the most painful memories. Winner: Richard & Judy's 'Search for a Bestseller' Competition.	F 544p	FICTION	CD
Such a Fun Age	Reid, Kiley	When Emira is apprehended at a supermarket for 'kidnapping' the white child she's actually babysitting, it sets off an explosive chain of events with her employer Alix, that will upend everything they think they know. A biting debut novel of race and class, longlisted for the Booker Prize, that became an instant bestseller.	F 310p	FICTION	N/A
Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children	Riggs, Ransom	Following a family tragedy Jacob journeys to a remote island off the coast of Wales, where he discovers the crumbling ruins of Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children. As he explores its abandoned bedrooms and hallways, it becomes clear that the children were more than just peculiar. They may have been dangerous. They may have been quarantined on a deserted island for good reason. And somehow impossible though it seems they may still be alive. On New York Times Best Seller List for over a year.	F 368p	FICTION	N/A
The Murders at Fleet House	Riley, Lucinda	The sudden death of a pupil in Fleet House at St Stephen's - a small private boarding school in deepest Norfolk - is a shocking event that the headmaster is very keen to call a tragic accident. Local police cannot rule out foul play, the case prompts the return of high-flying Detective Inspector Jazmine 'Jazz' Hunter to the force. Jazz enters the closed world of the school, and begins to probe the circumstances surrounding the death. A particularly grim discovery at the school makes this the most challenging murder investigation of her career.	F 470p	FICTION	N/A
The Olive Tree	Riley, Lucinda	When the now crumbling house, 'Pandora', is left to her by her godfather, Helena returns to Cyprus knowing that its idyllic beauty masks a web of secrets that she has kept from William, her husband, and Alex, her son. When, by chance, she meets her childhood sweetheart, a chain of events is set in motion that threatens to make her past and present collide. Enjoy addictive storytelling with a moving, emotional heart. Sunday Times bestselling author.	F 608 p	FICTION	CD
Butterfly Room	Riley, Lucinda	In her seventies, Posy knows the time has come to sell her rambling house, but when an old love resurfaces and her son returns after ten years abroad, a devastating secret is revealed. A multi-generational saga. Richard and Judy Book Club Pick.	F 672p	FICTION	CD
The Trial	Rinder, Rob	When hero policeman Grant Cliveden dies from a poisoning in the Old Bailey, it threatens to shake the country to its core. The evidence points to one man. Jimmy Knight has been convicted of multiple offences before and defending him will be no easy task. Not least because this is trainee barrister Adam Green's first case. But it will quickly become clear that Jimmy Knight is not the only person in Cliveden's past with an axe to grind. The only thing that's certain is that this is a trial which will push Adam - and the justice system itself - to the limit.	359p	CRIME	CD
My Policeman	Roberts, Bethan	Inspired by the life of E.M. Forster and his relationship with his long-term companion Bob Buckingham and his wife - but transposed to late 1950s Brighton. The book tells a tragic tale of thwarted love. Now released as a film.	F 341p	FICTION	LP

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Come Sundown	Roberts, Nora	Set in Western Montana, this is a tale of love, lies and murder, a sheriff with a grudge and a race against time. Can Bodine and childhood crush Callen solve an old mystery?	F 560p	FICTION	CD, LP
The Obsession	Roberts, Nora	Naomi Bowes' life changed irrevocably when, at almost twelve years old, she found out the truth about her father, her family torn apart by a shocking crime. So she changed her name. She changed her life. But someone in town knows her terrifying secret and won't let her forget it and Naomi must discover her persecutor's identity, before it's too late. Expect edge-of-your-seat suspense and sexy romance from a great storyteller who also writes as J D Robb.	F 466p	FICTION	LP
Return to the Little Coffee Shop of Kabul	Rodriguez, Deborah	Six women forever joined by a little cafe in Kabul, all about to learn that when the world as you know it disappears, you find a new way to live. Reuniting us with the much-loved cast of the international bestseller, The Little Coffee Shop of Kabul. Deborah Rodriguez tells an inspiring story of women's strength and courage in a changing world, flawlessly capturing the atmosphere of modern Afghanistan. Read as a sequel or a stand-alone book.	F 336p	FICTION	N/A
The Little Coffee Shop of Kabul	Rodriguez, Deborah	In a little coffee shop in one of the most dangerous places on earth, five very different women come together. As these five women discover there's more to one another than meets the eye, they form a unique bond that will for ever change their lives and the lives of many others.	F 416p	FICTION	N/A
The Kabul Beauty School	Rodriguez, Deborah	In a little beauty school in the war zone of Kabul, a community of women comes together, all with stories to tell. As the burqas are removed in class, curls are coiffed and make-up is applied, Debbie's students share with her their stories - and their hearts. In the Kabul Beauty School, these women and many others find a safe haven and the seeds of their future independence.	F 352p	FICTION	N/A
Conversations with Friends	Rooney, Sally	Frances and Bobbi enter a world of beautiful houses, holidays in Provence and dinner parties when they are befriended by Nick and his wife Melissa but when Frances and Nick become unexpectedly close, she is forced to confront her own vulnerabilities. A novel about friendship, jealousy and the politics of love, adapted for BBC 3 drama, in 2022	F 322p	FICTION	CD, LP
Victory City	Rushdie, Salman	In the wake of an unimportant battle between two long-forgotten kingdoms, a nine-year-old girl has a divine encounter that will change the course of history. Pampa Kampana becomes a vessel for a goddess, who tells her that she will be instrumental in the rise of a great city called Bisnaga, 'victory city'. Over the next two hundred and fifty years, Pampa Kampana attempts to make good on the task that the goddess set for her: to give women equal agency in a patriarchal world. But all stories have a way of getting away from their creator, and Bisnaga is no exception.	338p	FICTION	CD
Liberation Day	Saunders, George	This is a collection of stories that explores ideas of power, ethics, and justice, and cuts to the very heart of what it means to live in community with our fellow humans. With his trademark prose - wickedly funny, unsentimental, and perfectly tuned - Saunders continues to challenge and surprise: here is a collection of prismatic, deeply resonant stories that encompass joy and despair, oppression and revolution, bizarre fantasy and brutal reality.	F 231p	FICTION	N/A

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The Good Liar	Searle, Nicholas	Roy is about to pull off his final con. He is going to meet and woo a beautiful woman, swiftly move in with her and together they will live the seemingly calm life of a retired couple. Then he will slip away with her life savings. But who is the man behind the con and what has he had to do to survive this life of lies? And why is this beautiful woman so willing to be his next victim? Sunday Times Bestseller.	F 369p	FICTION	LP
The Almost Moon	Sebold, Alice	A searing portrait of a to-the-death struggle between a mother and a daughter who has spent a lifetime trying to win the love of a mother who had none to spare. The novel explores the complex ties within families, the meaning of devotion and the fragility of the boundary that separates us from our darkest impulses.	F 304p	FICTION	CD
The Bookseller of Kabul	Seierstad, Asne	Sultan Khan is the head of a prosperous Kabul family. A bookseller by trade, he has seen his books burnt by one regime, defaced by another, then burnt again. As the Taliban regime falls in 2001, he meets Norwegian war correspondent, Seierstad. They agree that Seierstad should live with his family for several months.	958.1046 316p	FICTION	LP
Best of Friends	Shamsie, Kamila	Fourteen-year-old Maryam and Zahra have always been the best of friends, despite their different backgrounds. Maryam takes for granted that she will stay in Karachi and inherit the family business; while Zahra keeps her desires secret, and dreams of escaping abroad. This year, 1988, anything seems possible for the girls; and for Pakistan, emerging from the darkness of dictatorship into a bright future under another young woman, Benazir Bhutto. But a snap decision at a party celebrating the return of democracy brings the girls' childhoods abruptly to an end. Its consequences will shape their futures in ways they cannot imagine.	336p	FICTION	N/A
A Wedding In December	Shreve, Anita	At an inn in the Berkshire Mountains of Massachusetts, seven former schoolmates gather for the wedding of Bridget and Bill. The weekend brings revelation and recrimination, forgiveness and redemption.	F 336p	FICTION	LP
The Bandit Queens	Shroff, Parini	For Geeta, life as a widow is more peaceful than life as a wife. Until the other women in her village decide they want to be widows, too. Geeta is believed to have killed her vanished husband - a rumour she hasn't bothered trying to correct, because a reputation like that can keep a single woman safe in rural India. But when she's approached for help in ridding another wife of her abusive drunk of a husband, her reluctant agreement sets in motion a chain of events that will change the lives of all the women in the village.	F 352p	FICTION	N/A
Rodham : a novel	Sittenfeld, Curtis	Smart, diligent, and a bit plain, that's the general consensus. Then Hillary goes to college and catches the eye of driven, handsome and charismatic Bill. But when he asks her to marry him, Hillary gives him a firm No. How might things have turned out for them, in this imagined novel, , for America, for the world itself, if Hillary Rodham had really turned down Bill Clinton? Sunday Times Bestseller.	F 421p	FICTION	N/A
Sweet Pea	Skuse, C.J	Rhiannon is your average girl next door, settled with her boyfriend and little dog...but she's got a killer secret. By day her job as an editorial assistant is demeaning and unsatisfying. By evening she dutifully listens to her friend's plans for marriage and babies whilst secretly making a list. A kill list. From the man on the checkout who always mishandles her apples, to the driver who cuts her off on her way to work, to the people who have got it coming, Rhiannon's ready to get her revenge.	480p	FICTION	N/A

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Companion Piece	Smith, Ali	One day in post-Brexit, mid-pandemic Britain, artist Sandy Gray receives an unexpected phone call from university acquaintance Martina Pelf. Martina is calling Sandy to ask for help with a mysterious question she's been left with after she's spent half a day locked in a room by border control officials for no reason she can fathom: ' <i>Curlew or curfew? You choose</i> '. And what's any of this got to do with the story of a young and talented blacksmith hounded from her trade and her home more than five hundred years ago?	F 226p	FICTION	N/A
I Capture The Castle	Smith, Dodie	A story of love, sibling rivalry & a bohemian existence in a crumbling castle in the middle of nowhere. Andra Mortmain's journal records her fadingly glamorous stepmother, her beautiful, wistful older sister and the man to whom they both owe their isolation & poverty.	F 351p	FICTION	CD
Girl Runner	Snyder Carrie	This debut novel, is the story of Aganetha Smart, a former Olympic athlete who was famous in the 1920s, but now, at age 104, lives in a nursing home, alone and forgotten by history. When her quiet life is disturbed by the unexpected arrival of two young strangers, Aganetha begins to reflect on her childhood in rural Ontario and her struggles to make an independent life for herself in the city. Based on a true story, this is part FICTION page-turner, part contemporary mystery, it pays homage to those forgotten women who stepped outside the boundaries of their time.	F 384p	FICTION	LP
The Gallery of Vanished Husbands	Solomons, Natasha	Juliet has been closeted by her conservative Jewish community for too long, ever since her husband disappeared. After having her portrait painted, she breaks free from her uptight upbringing to find a new love and life. The loose and liberated art world of the 1960s is the setting for this charming tale of a woman shedding her skin.	F 352p	FICTION	CD
The Song Collector	Solomons, Natasha	With poignancy, lyricism and humour, Dorset author Natasha tells a captivating tale of passion and music, of roots, ancient songs and nostalgia for the old ways, of the ties that bind us to family and home and the ones we are prepared to sever. Here is the story of a man who discovers joy and creative renewal in the aftermath of grief and learns that it is never too late to seek forgiveness.	F 400p	FICTION	CD
The Choice	Sparks, Nicholas	How far would you go to keep the hope of love alive? Travis is irresistibly drawn to Gabby, despite her lack of warmth towards him. An easily read page turning romance, with tough decisions, shocking revelations and devastating consequences.	F 285p	FICTION	LP
Young Mungo	Stuart, Douglas	Born under different stars, Protestant Mungo and Catholic James live in a hyper-masculine world. They are caught between two of Glasgow's housing estates where young working-class men divide themselves along sectarian lines and fight territorial battles for the sake of reputation. They should be sworn enemies if they're to be seen as men at all, and yet they become best friends as they find a sanctuary in the dovecot that James has built for his prize racing pigeons. As they begin to fall in love, they dream of escaping the grey city, but the threat of discovery is constant and the punishment unspeakable.	F 392p	FICTION	N/A
The Dentist	Sullivan, Tim	DS George Cross can be rude, difficult, and awkward with people. But his unfailing logic and dogged pursuit of the truth means his conviction rate is the best on the force. Who was the unknown man whose weather-beaten body is discovered on Clifton Downs? Did the tragedy that led to a life on the streets also lead to his death? His police colleagues may dismiss it as a squabble among Bristol's homeless community, but Cross is not convinced. As he delves into the dead man's past, he becomes convinced that to catch this killer, he needs to solve a cold case murder from years before.	374p	CRIME	CD

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Mothering Sunday	Swift, Graham	It is March 30th 1924. It is Mothering Sunday. How will Jane Fairchild, orphan and housemaid, occupy her time when she has no mother to visit? Beginning with an intimate assignation and opening to embrace decades, Mothering Sunday is surprising, joyously sensual and deeply moving, it is Graham Swift at his best. Booker-winning author. Longlisted: Walter Scott Prize.	F 160p	FICTION	CD, LP
Anita and Me	Syal, Meera	Iconic novel which captures the era of flares, power cuts, glam rock, decimalisation and Ted Heath. A unique vision of a British childhood in the Seventies, caught between two cultures, each on the brink of change. As one of the few Punjabi inhabitants of her Black Country village, nine year old Meena wants fishfingers and chips, not chapati and dhal; she wants an English Christmas, not the usual interminable Punjabi festivities - but more than anything, she wants to join up with cool, aloof, outrageous and feisty Anita Rutter and her gang.	F 336p	FICTION	N/A
Animal	Taddeo, Lisa	I drove myself out of New York City where a man shot himself in front of me. He was a gluttonous man and when his blood came out it looked like the blood of a pig. That's a cruel thing to think, I know. He did it in a restaurant where I was having dinner with another man, another married man. Do you see how this is going? But I wasn't always that way. I am depraved. I hope you like me.	F 336p	FICTION	N/A
Bonesetter's Daughter	Tan, Amy	Ruth decides to move in with her ailing mother, and while tending to her discovers the story Lu Ling wrote in Chinese, of her life growing up in a remote mountain village known as Immortal Heart. A mesmerising story of a mother and daughter discovering together that what they share in their bones through history and heredity is priceless beyond measure.	F 350p	FICTION	CD, LP
Secret History	Tartt, Donna	Under the influence of their charismatic professor, a group of clever, eccentric misfits at an elite New England college discover a way of thinking and living that is a world away from the humdrum existence of their contemporaries. But when they go beyond the boundaries of normal morality their lives are changed profoundly and for ever.	F 544p	FICTION	N/A
Just One Damned Thing After Another	Taylor, Jodi	Meet the Institute of FICTION Research as they ricochet around History. Their aim is to observe and document - to try and find the answers to many of History's unanswered questions - and not to die in the process. But one wrong move and History will fight back	F 416p	FICTION	N/A
Oligarchy	Thomas, Scarlett	When Tash, daughter of a Russian oligarch, is sent to an English boarding school, she is new to the strange world of strict pecking orders, eating disorders and Instagram angst. Then her friend Bianca mysteriously vanishes, and quickly the routines of her dorm-mates seem darker and more alien than ever before.	F 212p	FICTION	CD, LP
Travelling in the Dark	Timpany, Emma	Set in the wild, beautiful and unreliable landscape of southern New Zealand in the aftermath of a devastating earthquake, Sarah travels back to her home town with her young son. Delays and diversions take Sarah on an emotional journey as she's forced to return to well-known places echoing with painful memories from her youth.	F 192p	FICTION	N/A
The Gift	Titchmarsh, Alan	Adam Gabriel has always been a child of nature. Raised on his parents' remote Yorkshire farm, where life is measured by the rhythms of the flock, the turn of the seasons, and the yearly arrival of an itinerant local monk, he seems destined for a quietly contented life. As Adam grows, Luke and Bethany see flickers of something extraordinary in their son - a healing touch that goes beyond his love for the land. But Adam's gentleness has always made him an outsider, and a powerful gift can also be a heavy burden.	F 355p	FICTION	N/A

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Mr Gandy's Grand Tour	Titchmarsh, Alan	Timothy Gandy has kept his lifetime's ambition secret for forty years. Then he gets the chance to realise his dreams. He escapes his humdrum life with an unexpected Grand Tour of Europe where drama, romance and friendship await in this beguiling tale of self-discovery. It seems that Mr Gandy has embarked on the journey of a lifetime. A bestselling novel from Britain's favourite gardener and TV presenter.	F 320 p	FICTION	CD
Women Talking	Toews, Miriam	Between 2005 and 2009, in a remote Mennonite colony, over one hundred girls and women were raped by what many thought were ghosts or demons. Their accounts were dismissed as 'wild female imagination'. Women Talking is an imagined response to these real events. When the women learn the truth, they meet secretly to discuss how to protect themselves and their daughters.	F 216p	FICTION	CD
Brooklyn	Toibin, Colm	It is Ireland in the early 1950s so Eilis Lacey emigrates to New York. Arriving in Brooklyn, Eilis is homesick but as she takes tentative steps towards friendship, and perhaps something more, Eilis receives news which sends her back to Ireland and a terrible dilemma - a devastating choice between duty and love.	F 256p	FICTION	CD, LP
A gentleman in Moscow	Towles, Amor	In 1922 Count Rostov is deemed an unrepentant aristocrat by a Bolshevik tribunal. Sentenced to house arrest in The Metropol to live in an attic room, across from the Kremlin. Rostov, has never worked a day in his life. Unexpectedly, his reduced circumstances provide him a doorway into a much larger world of emotional discovery.	F 462p	FICTION	CD
The Cabin at the End of the World	Tremblay, Paul	A vacationing family is terrorised by four strangers who claim to be attempting to either avert or bring about the apocalypse. An intense novel of psychological horror and suspense that will keep readers guessing as to whether the struggle between the family and the strangers will not only result in lost lives but ultimately in the end of the world. Adapted for cinema as "A Knock at the Cabin" by M Night Shyamalan.	F 320p	FICTION	CD
The Warden	Trollope, Anthony	Trollope's witty, satirical story of a quiet cathedral town shaken by scandal - as the traditional values of Septimus Harding are attacked by zealous reformers and ruthless newspapers. The first book in the Chronicles of Barsetshire.	F 216p	FICTION	CD, LP
Sense and Sensibility	Trollope, Joanna	Joanna Trollope's much-anticipated contemporary reworking of Jane Austen's Sense and Sensibility became one of the most talked about books of the year. Wittily, stylishly and sensitively written with lots of delicious upmarket detail. Elinor Dashwood values discretion above all while her impulsive sister Marianne displays her creativity everywhere. But when the family finds itself forced out of Norland Park, their beloved home for twenty years, their values are severely put to the test.	F 417p	FICTION	CD, LP
The First Day of Spring	Tucker, Nancy	Chrissie is eight and she has a secret: she has just killed a boy. The feeling made her belly fizz like soda pop. Her playmates are tearful and their mothers are terrified, keeping them locked indoors. Twenty years later, adult Chrissie is living in hiding under a changed name. A single mother, all she wants is for her daughter to have the childhood she herself was denied. That's why the threatening phone calls are so terrifying. People are looking for them, the past is catching up, and Chrissie fears losing the only thing in this world she cares about, her child.	F 321p	FICTION	N/A

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Stepping Up	Turner, Sarah	Beth has never stuck at anything. It's not that she hasn't tried to grow up, it's just that so far, the only commitment she's held down is Friday drinks at the village pub. Then, in the space of a morning, her world changes. An unspeakable tragedy turns Beth's life upside down, and she finds herself guardian to her teenage niece and toddler nephew, catapulted into an unfamiliar world of bedtime stories, parents' evenings and cuddly elephants. With a little help from her best friend Jory (purely platonic) and her lovely, lonely next-door neighbour, Albert, Beth is determined that this time she's not giving up. It's time to step up.	F 328p	FICTION	LP
Vinegar Girl	Tyler, Anne	Anne Tyler's brilliant retelling of The Taming of the Shrew asks whether a thoroughly modern woman would ever sacrifice herself for a man. Kate Battista is stuck. How did she end up running house and home for her eccentric scientist father and infuriating younger sister Bunny? When her father cooks up an outrageous plan involving Kate, he is relying on her to help him, as usual. The result is as surprising as Kate herself. R4 Book at Bedtime.	F 272p	FICTION	CD, LP
Cutting for stone	Verghese, Abraham	Marion and Shiva Stone are twin sons of a secret union between an Indian nun and a British surgeon. Orphaned by their mother's death in childbirth and their father's disappearance, bound together by a preternatural connection and a shared fascination with medicine, the brothers come of age as Ethiopia hovers on the brink of revolution.	560p	FICTION	CD
The Gardener	Vickers, Salley	Artist, Hassie Day, and her sister, Margot, buy a rambling, run down Jacobean house in Hope Wenlock on the Welsh Marches. While Margot continues her London life in high finance, Hassie is left alone to work the long-neglected garden. She is befriended by eccentric, sharp-tongued, Miss Foot, who recommends, Murat, an Albanian migrant, out of place in the village, to help Hassie in the garden. As Hassie works in the garden alongside Murat, she begins to ruminate on her past life, her family and most of all, she begins to analyse the love affair that ended leaving her with painful, unanswered questions.	F 295p	FICTION	N/A
The Librarian	Vickers, Salley	In 1958, Sylvia Blackwell takes up a job as children's librarian in a run down library in the market town of East Mole. But her mission to enthuse children about reading is threatened by her affair with a married man and her efforts to help some of the children. Sunday Times bestseller	F 400p	FICTION	CD
Mr Golightly's Holiday	Vickers, Salley	Many years ago Mr Golightly wrote a best-seller. But his reputation is on the decline and he finds himself out of touch with the modern world. He decides to holiday in the ancient village of Great Calne. But he soon finds that the themes he has written on are being strangely replicated in the lives of the villagers.	F 368p	FICTION	CD,LP
The Attenbury Emeralds	Walsh, Jill Paton	It was 1921 when Lord Peter Wimsey first encountered the Attenbury emeralds. The recovery of the magnificent gem in Lord Attenbury's most dazzling heirloom made headlines and launched a shell-shocked young aristocrat on his career as a detective. So in 1951 when the new young Lord Attenbury seeks his help again, this time to prove who owns the gigantic emerald that Wimsey last saw in 1921, it will be the most intricate and challenging mystery he has ever faced.	F 352p	FICTION	CD, LP

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Looking Glass Sound	Ward, Catriona	In a windswept cottage overlooking the sea, Wilder Harlow begins the last book he will ever write. It is the story of his childhood companions and the shadowy figure of the Daggerman, who stalked their New England town. And it is the story of Sky, Wilder's one-time friend, who stole his unfinished memoir to turn it into a lurid bestselling novel, then died without ever explaining why. As he writes, Wilder begins to find notes written in Sky's signature green ink, and events in his manuscript start to chime eerily with the present. Is Sky haunting him? And who is the dark-haired woman drowning in the cove, whom no one else can see?	F 339p	THRILLER	N/A
Contacts	Watson, Mark	At five to midnight in Euston station, James Chiltern sends one text to all 158 people in his contacts. A message saying goodbye. Then he disappears. Across the world, James's friends, his family, people he's lost touch with are wondering, where has James gone? What happened to him? And more importantly, can they find him before it's too late?	F 370p	FICTION	CD, LP
The Spa Decameron	Weldon, Fay	Ten high achieving ladies at the expensive Castle Spa, all share their intimate stories. Sparkling, witty, always compassionate and occasionally libidinous, this novel recalls Boccaccio's late medieval masterwork, The Decameron. when ladies were forced to hide their amorous passions under a veil of discretion, while men were free to indulge theirs.	F 368p	FICTION	CD
Harlem Shuffle	Whitehead, Colson	To his customers and neighbours on 125th Street, Ray Carney is an upstanding salesman of reasonably-priced furniture. He and his wife Elizabeth are expecting their second child, and if her parents don't approve of him or their cramped apartment across from the subway tracks, it's still home. Few people know he descends from a line of uptown hoods and crooks, and that his facade of normality has more than a few cracks in it. Cash is tight, so if his cousin Freddie occasionally drops off the odd ring or necklace at the furniture store, Ray doesn't see the need to ask where it comes from. Then Freddie falls in with a crew who plan to rob the Hotel Theresa and volunteers Ray's services as the fence.	F 320p	FICTION	N/A
Act of Peace	Widdecombe, Ann	Klaus-Pierre never knew his father, a senior German officer, who was killed before he was born, and his French mother was rejected by her family of patriots and resistance workers. Cared for by his German family, Klaus-Pierre is loved and happy; but as he grows up, he tries to make his own "Act of Peace". The result is a horrifying confrontation between the two families when they meet in Provence.	F 448p	FICTION	CD,LP
In Memoriam	Winn, Alice	It's 1914, and talk of war feels far away to Henry Gaunt, Sidney Ellwood and the rest of their classmates, safely ensconced in their idyllic boarding school in the English countryside. At seventeen, they're too young to enlist, and anyway, Gaunt is fighting his own private battle - an all-consuming infatuation with his best friend, the dreamy, poetic Ellwood. When Gaunt's German mother asks him to enlist as an officer in the British army to protect the family from anti-German attacks, Gaunt signs up immediately, relieved to escape his overwhelming feelings for Ellwood. The front is horrific, of course, but Ellwood soon rushes to join him, spurred on by his love of Greek heroes and romantic poetry. Before long, their classmates have followed suit.	F 368p	FICTION	N/A

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The Lost Bookshop	Woods, Evie	For too long, Opaline, Martha and Henry have been the side characters in their own lives. But when a vanishing bookshop casts its spell, these three unsuspecting strangers will discover that their own stories are every bit as extraordinary as the ones found in the pages of their beloved books. And by unlocking the secrets of the shelves, they find themselves transported to a world of wonder... where nothing is as it seems.	F 431p	FICTION	LP
The Ginger Tree	Wynd, Oswald	In 1903 Mary Mackenzie sails for China to marry the British Military Attache, a man who turns out to be every bit as chilly as the Peking Winter. During one of his many absences, Mary has an affair with a Japanese soldier, Count Kurihama, but her pregnancy is impossible to keep secret. Rejected by husband, mother and country, and forced to leave her daughter behind, Mary flees to Japan. The Ginger Tree tells the fascinating story of her survival, isolated and alone, in this alien culture.	F 294p	FICTION	N/A
Days at the Morisaki Bookshop	Yagisawa, Satoshi	Twenty-five-year-old Takano has never liked reading, although the Morisaki bookshop has been in her family for three generations. It is the pride and joy of her uncle Ojisan, who has devoted his life to the bookshop since his wife Momoki left him five years earlier. When Takano's boyfriend reveals he's marrying someone else, she reluctantly accepts her eccentric uncle's offer to live rent-free in the tiny room above the shop. Hoping to nurse her broken heart in peace, Takano is surprised to encounter new worlds within the stacks of books lining the Morisaki bookshop.	F 147p	FICTION	N/A
To Paradise	Yanagihara, Hanya	This novel spans three centuries and three different versions of life in America covering love, family, loss and the elusive promise of utopia. In an alternate version of 1893 America, New York is part of the Free States, where people may live and love whomever they please (or so it seems). In a 1993 Manhattan besieged by the AIDS epidemic, a young Hawaiian man lives with his much older, wealthier partner, hiding his troubled childhood and the fate of his father. And in 2093, in a world riven by plagues and governed by totalitarian rule, a powerful scientist's damaged granddaughter tries to navigate life without him - and solve the mystery of her husband's disappearances.	F 708p	FICTION	N/A
Land of love and drowning	Yanique, Tiphanie	In 1917, the Danish Virgin Islands have just become the United States Virgin Islands. As the community undergoes pivotal change, a magical blend of history, racial issues, war, family curses, ill-fated love, and Virgin Island folklore is revealed. Winner: BOCAS Fiction Prize for Caribbean Literature, New York Center for Fiction First Novel Prize.	F 402p	FICTION	N/A
Fourth Wing	Yarros, Rebecca	Welcome to the brutal and elite world of Basgiath War College, where everyone has an agenda, and every night could be your last. Twenty-year-old Violet Sorrengail was supposed to enter the Scribe Quadrant, living a quiet life among books and history. Now, the commanding general - also known as her tough-as-talons mother - has ordered Violet to join the hundreds of candidates striving to become the elite of Navarre: dragon riders. But when you're smaller than everyone else and your body is brittle, death is only a heartbeat away - because dragons don't bond to 'fragile' humans. They incinerate them.	F 498p	FICTION	N/A

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Tomorrow and Tomorrow and Tomorrow	Zevin, Gabrielle	This is the story of Sam and Sadie. It's not a romance, but it is about love. When Sam catches sight of Sadie at a crowded train station one winter morning he is catapulted back to the brief time they spent playing together as children. Their unique spark is instantly reignited. What comes next is a story of friendship and rivalry, fame and creativity, betrayal and tragedy, perfect worlds and imperfect ones. And, ultimately, our need to connect: to be loved and to love.	F 401p	FICTION	N/A
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