

## An Invisible Thread The True Story Of 11 Year Old Panhandler A Busy Sales Executive And Unlikely Meeting With Destiny Kindle Edition Laura Schroff

Recounts the story of a young mother who underwent an intense near-death experience after she became unresponsive during a medical emergency, as she discusses the hardships of her past and the impact of the experience on her life.

From the #1 New York Times bestselling author of An Invisible Thread comes the true, heartfelt, and extraordinary story of how one woman's decision to help a boy on the street changed both of their lives forever. New York Times bestselling author Laura Schroff tells the remarkable story of her lifelong friendship with a boy named Maurice who she met on the street while he was asking for change in her book, An Invisible Thread. Now, in this sweet picture book, Laura retells the first Christmas that she and Maurice spent together. She shares how Maurice gave her a small white bear and, as she later learns, the only thing he had that he could truly call his own—so show her how grateful he was for their friendship. This heartwarming tale captures the true meaning of the holidays and will be one you'll want to share with your family year after year as a reminder that the heart is always the best present under the tree.

Book Trailer - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W1Pw0Sc2p0k&feature=youtu.be The Invisible Thread is a tale of selfless love and the unseen arms of fate that connects all human beings. The protagonists are orphans who influence one another through their actions. The orphan boy Gabriel is in love with his schoolmate Selena. She is the only thing he ever wants. Selena, who also grows up with the stigma of abandonment, sees her liberation in the world outside of the orphanage. This book illustrates how two people, who are brought up in a similar background, pursue different goals and how tragically fate intervenes.Father Damien, the benevolent caretaker of the orphanage, wants to serve these unwanted souls. However, he is restrained by the dictates of his faith when it comes to revealing the identity of Gabriel's parents, which he learned through a confession. He conducts life as a devout Christian, and at one critical juncture, he is challenged to make a decision that goes against his faith. He exercises his free will, and his life will forever change.Gabriel, suffocated by the regimentation of the orphanage, finds solace in his friends. Life outside the orphanage is a challenge for the children and they help each other to overcome it. This story is a remarkable illustration of their friendship.Gabriel follows his passion for football and goes to a football academy run by a former Brazilian national team player, Carlos Da Silva. Carlos teaches him skills necessary for both the game and life. Gabriel becomes a successful soccer player. However, Selena's thoughts linger in his mind. Meanwhile, Selena becomes a popular musician, meets her dream man and Colombian soccer star Ronaldo, and marries him. She faces the realities of the world and finds it not as rosy as she had originally thought. She tries to connect with her old orphanage friends.Gabriel learns the life lessons through various characters and incidents. Anchored in his faith and trusting his free will, he explores the outside world affirming his beliefs and denouncing what is not practical.Gabriel finally contacts Selena and knows more about her. He realizes his mistake of harboring conditional love. He decides to let her go. For Selena, however, fate decides otherwise. Gabriel makes the ultimate sacrifice for a person whom he loved throughout his entire life. This decision impacts his loved ones forever and reaffirms the central theme that all lives are interconnected with an invisible thread.This is a story of selfless love and friendship triumphing over blind faith. It also celebrates free will. It tells how our lives are interconnected with an invisible thread.

The Street Journal bestseller, USA Today bestseller and Canadian Best Club Awards winner is filled with true stories about how one small deed can make a world of difference. "Elegant and wise" (Deepak Chopra), "The most uplifting and life-affirming book in years." (Forbes) Brad Aronson's life changed in an instant when his wife, Mia, was diagnosed with leukemia. After her diagnosis, Brad spent most of the next two and a half years either by her side as she received treatment or trying to shield their five-year-old son, Jack, from the worst of Mia's illness. Amid the stress and despair of waiting for the treatment to work, Brad and Mia were met by an outpouring of kindness from friends, family and even complete strangers. Inspired by the many demonstrations of "humankindness" that supported their family through Mia's recovery, Brad began writing about that dark time, often with the smallest of gestures. But he didn't stop there. Knowing that simple acts of kindness transform lives across the globe every day, he sought out these stories and shares some of the best ones here. In HumanKind, you'll meet the mentor who changed a child's life with a single lesson in shoe tying, the six-year-old who launched a global kindness movement, the bands of seamstress grandmothers who mend clothes for homeless people, and many other heroes. Brad also provides dozens of ways you can make a difference through the simplest words and deeds. You'll discover how buying someone a meal or sharing a little encouragement at the right time can change someone's world, as well as your own. The resource section at the back of the book provides guidance and organizations that will help you channel and amplify your own acts of kindness. Here you'll discover: How you can fund a surgery to cure someone's blindness with a donation of less than \$200. Organizations through which you can provide a birthday gift for a child who otherwise wouldn't receive one. Multiple places where you can send letters of encouragement to support hospitalized kids, lonely seniors, refugees, veterans and others in need. And over fifty more ways you can change a life. HumanKind will leave you grateful for what you have and provide a refuge from the negativity that surrounds us. This feel-good book will touch your heart. You'll laugh, you'll cry and you'll be reminded of what really matters. All author royalties go to Big Brothers Big Sisters.

Poverty, Survival & Hope in an American City (Pulitzer Prize Winner)

A Crime Novel

The Invisible Thread

Freewater

The Red Thread: A Novel

The Warmth of Other Suns

When sixteen-year-old Rashad is mistakenly accused of stealing, classmate Quinn witnesses his brutal beating at the hands of a police officer who happens to be the older brother of his best friend. Told through Rashad and Quinn's alternating viewpoints.

AN INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER " I absolutely loved Invisible Girl—Lisa Jewell has a way of combining furiously twisty, utterly gripping plots with wonderfully rich characterization—she has such compassion for her characters, and we feel we know them utterly... A triumph!" —Lucy Foley, New York Times bestselling author The #1 New York Times bestselling author of Then She Was Gone returns with an intricate thriller about a young woman ' s disappearance and a group of strangers whose lives intersect in its wake. Young Saffyre Maddox spent three years under the care of renowned child psychologist Roan Fours. When Dr. Fours decides their sessions should end, Saffyre feels abandoned. She begins looking for ways to connect with him, from waiting outside his office to walking through his neighborhood late at night. She soon learns more than she ever wanted to about Roan and his deceptively perfect family life. On a chilly Valentine ' s night, Saffyre will disappear, taking any secrets she has learned with her. Owen Pick ' s life is falling apart. In his thirties and living in his aunt ' s spare bedroom, he has just been suspended from his job as a teacher after accusations of sexual misconduct—accusations he strongly denies. Searching for professional advice online, he is inadvertently sucked into the dark world of incel forums, where he meets a charismatic and mysterious figure. Owen lives across the street from the Fours family. The Fours have a bad feeling about their neighbor; Owen is a bit creepy and suspect and their teenage daughter swears he followed her home from the train station one night. Could Owen be responsible? What happened to the beautiful missing Saffyre, and does her disappearance truly connect them all? Evocative, vivid, and unputdownable, Lisa Jewell ' s latest thriller is another " haunting, atmospheric, stay-up-way-too-late read " (Megan Miranda, New York Times bestselling author).

His Was Searching for a Lost Dog. He Found More Than He ' d Ever Hoped For. On Valentine ' s Day 2019, someone stole Steven Carino ' s dog, Oliver, from his car. Having lost his mother at thirteen and grown up with an alcoholic father, he could always count on his dogs for comfort and company. But now, with his beloved Oliver missing, Steven felt utterly alone. Then, the miracle. In a series of near-impossible coincidences, people from different walks of life crossed paths with Oliver and with Steven. Hardworking immigrants, wealthy suburbanites, car mechanics, deli workers, old friends, close relatives, street cops, gang members, a TV news reporter, social media followers around the world, and one very gifted hairdresser all played a part in Steven ' s desperate journey to find Oliver. In the middle of it all, Steven realized that no one is ever truly alone—and that the power of community can be life-changing. Oliver is not just a book about a stolen dog. At its core, it ' s a story about kindness, friendship, and the power of faith. As Steven says, " This is more than just a dog story. This is an everybody story. This is a love story. "

A NATIONAL BESTSELLER This beloved memoir "is an extraordinary, honest, nuanced and compassionate look at adoption, race in America and families in general" (Jasmine Guillory, Code Switch, NPR) What does it mean to lose your roots—within your culture, within your family—and what happens when you find them? Nicole Chung was born severely premature, placed for adoption by her Korean parents, and raised by a white family in a sheltered Oregon town. From childhood, she heard the story of her adoption as a comforting, prepackaged myth. She believed that her biological parents had made the ultimate sacrifice in the hope of giving her a better life, that forever feeling slightly out of place was her fate as a transracial adoptee. But as Nicole grew up—facing prejudice her adoptive family couldn ' t see, finding her identity as an Asian American and as a writer, becoming ever more curious about where she came from—she wondered if the story she ' d been told was the whole truth. With warmth, candor, and startling insight, Nicole Chung tells of her search for the people who gave her up, which coincided with the birth of her own child. All You Can Ever Know is a profound, moving chronicle of surprising connections and the repercussions of unearthing painful family secrets—vital reading for anyone who has ever struggled to figure out where they belong.

A Journey Home

Invisible Threads

Hidden Work in the Contemporary World

When Two Feathers Fall from the Sky

Peter Nimble and His Fantastic Eyes

Fahrenheit 451

In The Vendetta, author Alton Purvis recounts the story of his father, Melvin Purvis, the iconic G-man and public hero made famous by his remarkable sweep of the great Public Enemies of the American Depression—John Dillinger; Pretty Boy Floyd, and Baby Face Nelson. Purvis's successes led FBI boss J. Edgar Hoover to grow increasingly jealous, to the point where he vowed to bring down Purvis. Hoover smeared Purvis's reputation, and tried to erase his name from all records of the FBI's greatest triumphs. This book sets the record straight, and provides a grippingly authentic new telling of the gangster era, seen from the perspective of the pursuers.

A collection of stories by mothers of transgender and gender variant children.

Presents the true story of a friendship that has spanned three decades, recounting how the author, a harried sales executive, befriended an eleven-year-old panhandler, changing both of their lives forever.

St. Paul, Minnesota, 1946: As little girls, the Malone sisters relied on each other for companionship and affection as their mother remained distant, beating back the demons of her own mysterious childhood. Now, as young women ready to embrace promising futures, Eliza plans for a life of intellectual fulfillment beginning with college at nearby St. Catherine's, while far simpler hopes for family and happiness occupy Shannon. Instead, the closely-knit sisters endure two life-changing tragedies and their powerful bonds of love and loyalty threaten to break under the weight of trauma and loss, secrets and misunderstandings. One sister leaves, possibly forever. Heartbroken and scarred from a battle with tuberculosis, the other vows to never let go of the invisible thread that runs between them—and in the course of her journey, discovers the true meaning of family.

Stories of Love, Struggle and Acceptance by Mothers of Transgender and Gender Variant Children

Inspiring Stories of Fate, Friendship, and the Power of Connections

A Memoir

Discovering the Miracle of the Scarlet Thread in Every Book of the Bible

Waking Up in Heaven

The Heart's Invisible Furies

*Junior Doctor, personal trainer and Instagram hit Dr Hazel Wallace's first book brings you over 70 nutritional recipes to look and feel amazing whilst debunking the diet myths. 'I'm a girl who juggles two jobs, who loves to lift, who adores real food - and can't resist chocolate. As a junior doctor and a personal trainer, I know that we all feel our best when we are free of illness, full of energy and at a healthy weight - and I know it can be done, even if you lead the busiest of lives! I want to debunk the myths that are out there surrounding dieting and instead offer solid, evidence-based advice. I want to bridge the gap between mainstream medicine and nutrition and help you take full control of your fitness and wellbeing, so you will never have to diet again. I want to show you that eating the most natural, unrefined and unprocessed wholefood ingredients can be enjoyable, uncomplicated and easy to incorporate into a busy lifestyle. I want this book to change your life.' Hazal x*

*"Demographic and technological trends have yielded new forms of work that are increasingly more precarious, globalized, and brand centered. Some of these shifts have led to a marked decrease in the visibility of work or workers. This edited collection examines situations in which technology and employment practices hide labor within the formal paid labor market, with implications for workplace activism, social policy, and law. In some cases, technological platforms, space, and temporality hide workers and sometimes obscure their tasks as well. In other situations, workers may be highly visible—indeed, they may rely upon the workers' aesthetics to market the branded product—but their aesthetic labor is not seen as work. In still other cases, the work occurs within a social interaction and appears as leisure—a voluntary or chosen activity—rather than as work. Alternatively, the workers themselves may be conceptualized as consumers rather than as workers. Crossing the occupational hierarchy and spectrum from high- to low-waged work, from professional to manual labor, and from production to service labor, the authors argue for a broader understanding of labor in the contemporary era. This book adopts an interdisciplinary approach that integrates perspectives from law, sociology, and industrial/labor relations"—Provided by publisher.*

*Debut author Amina Luqman Dawson pens a lyrical, accessible historical middle-grade novel about two enslaved children's escape from a plantation and the many ways they find freedom. After an entire young life of enslavement, twelve-year-old Homer escapes Southernland Plantation with his little sister Ada, leaving his beloved mother behind. Much as he adores her and fears for her life, Homer knows there's no turning back, not with the overseer on their trail. Through tangled vines, secret doorways, and over a sky bridge, the two find a secret community called Freewater, deep in the recesses of the swamp. In this new, free society made up of escaped slaves and some born-free children, Homer cautiously embraces a set of spirited friends, almost forgetting where he came from. But when he learns of a threat that could destroy Freewater, and free his mother from enslavement, Loosely based on a little-mind but important piece of history, this is an inspiring and deeply empowering story of survival, love, and courage. You can understand the Bible! Discovering the Miracle of the Scarlet Thread in Every Book of the Bible takes the mystery and confusion out of the Bible and makes God's Word come alive with new insights and a fresh excitement that will have you searching for more. Dr. Richard Booker unveils the mysteries and secrets of the Bible by explaining its master theme, and then reveals a simple plan so you can discover God's personal revelation for yourself.*

Invisible Child

Caviar Dreams, Tuna Fish Budget

All You Can Ever Know

An Invisible Thread Christmas Story

A Million Windows

Invisible Labor

*Pretty Mex meets #Girlboss in this part memoir, part entrepreneurial manifesto from The Real Housewives of New Jersey's "Powerhouse in Pigtails."Margaret Josephs is a hustler. She's a tough cookie. She speaks her mind. She never leaves the house without lipstick on. She's also a devoted wife, mother, daughter, businesswoman, lifestyle expert, and fan-favorite star of the reality TV series The Real Housewives of New Jersey. Sounds pretty glamorous, right? Well, things are never exactly as they seem. Before she arrived where she is today, "The Marge" was born to young immigrant parents. Raised by a single party-girl mother who left her physically abusive father when she was one and a half, she was taught that it was more important to look good than to feel good. No structure. No rules. No blueprint for future success or stability. But like most people who struggle through atypical childhoods, destructive relationships, and career challenges, she forced herself to wake up every morning and put one high heel in front of the other, even if she didn't know where she was going. Margaret took the cards she was dealt and eventually turned them into a winning hand, and she wants to arm fans with the ability to do the same. In Caviar Dreams, Tuna Fish Budget, she'll talk about how to launch a lifestyle brand, how to work with family members, and how to be an uncompromising woman in a man's world. She also spills stories from her personal life about the son Real Housewives viewers don't know exists, the time Joan Rivers gave her the best advice she ever got, the rendezvous she had with a famous rock star, and the affair with her contractor that ended her marriage but gave her the happily ever after. Caviar Dreams, Tuna Fish Budget takes fans along Margaret's wild, bumpy journey to entrepreneurial success and reality TV fame, written in her trademark no-nonsense, tongue-in-cheek voice with the perfect combination of grit and glitz.*

*Heart attacks happen to other people #InStitchwHeretue When Morgan's mom gets sick, it's hard not to panic. Without her mother, she would have no one—until she finds out the dad who walked out on her as a baby isn't as far away as she thought... Adam is a stuck-up, uptight jerk #InStitchwHeretue Now that they have a summer job together, Morgan's getting to know the real Adam, and he's actually pretty sweet...in a nerdy-hot kind of way. He even offers to go with her to find her dad. Road trip, anyone? 5000 Twitter followers are all the friends I need #InStitchwHeretue With Adam in the back seat, a hyper chatterbox named Amy behind the wheel, and plenty of Cheetos to fuel their trip, Morgan feels ready for anything. She's not expecting a flat tire, a missed ferry, a fake girlfriend...and that these two people she barely knew before the summer started will become the people she can't imagine living without.*

*The chapters of this book are nothing but mirrors for seeing your "self" from different angles. And though the journey we are about to embark on is an inner one, it will draw upon every aspect of your life. The only requirement asked of you is the willingness to honestly look at yourself in the most natural, intuitive manner. Remember, if we are seeking the root of "self," what we are actually seeking is you. As you read through these pages, you will find that you know much more than you thought you did about some very deep subjects. The fact is, you already know how to find yourself; you have just gotten distracted and disoriented. Once refocused, you will realize that you not only have the ability to find yourself, you have the ability to free yourself. Whether you choose to do so or not is entirely up to you. But upon completion of your journey through these chapters, there will be no more confusion, no more lack of empowerment, and no more blaming others. You will know exactly what must be done. And should you choose to devote yourself to the ongoing journey of self-realization, you will develop a tremendous sense of respect for who you really are. It is only then that you will come to appreciate the full depth of meaning in the advice: "This above all, to thine own self be true." ---- Introduction*

*Named Book of the Month Club's Book of the Year, 2017 Selected one of New York Times Readers' Favorite Books of 2017 Winner of the 2018 Goldsboro Books Glass Bell Award From the beloved New York Times bestselling author of The Boy In The Striped Pajamas, a sweeping, heartfelt saga about the course of one man's life, beginning and ending in post-war Ireland Cyril Avery is not a real Avery -- or at least, that's what his adoptive parents tell him. And he never will be. But if he isn't a real Avery, then who is he? Born out of wedlock to a teenage girl cast out from her rural Irish community and adopted by a well-to-do if eccentric Dublin couple via the intervention of a hunchbacked Redemptorist nun, Cyril is adrift in the world, anchored only tenuously by his heartfelt friendship with the infinitely more glamorous and dangerous Julian Woodhead. At the mercy of fortune and coincidence, he will spend a lifetime coming to know himself and where he came from - and over his many years, will struggle to discover an identity, a home, a country, and much more. In this, Boyne's most transcendent work to date, we are shown the story of Ireland from the 1940s to today through the eyes of one ordinary man. The Heart's Invisible Furies is a novel to make you laugh and cry while reminding us all of the redemptive power of the human spirit.*

A True Story of Brokenness, Heaven, and Life Again

The Velvet Hours

The True Story of an 11-Year-Old Panhandler, a Busy Sales Executive, and an Unlikely Meeting with Destiny

Special Agent Melvin Purvis, John Dillinger, and Hoover's FBI in the Age of Gangsters

Invisible Girl

From New York Times bestselling author Alex Tresniowski comes a “compelling” (The Guardian) and “riveting” (The New York Times Book Review) true-crime thriller recounting the 1910 murder of ten-year-old Marie Smith, the dawn of modern criminal detection, and the launch of the NAACP. In the tranquil seaside town of Asbury Park, New Jersey, ten-year-old schoolgirl Marie Smith is brutally murdered. Small town officials, unable to find the culprit, call upon the young manager of a New York detective agency for help. It is the detective's first murder case, and now, the specifics of the investigation and daring sting operation that caught the killer is captured in all its rich detail for the first time. Occurring exactly halfway between the end of the Civil War in 1865 and the formal beginning of the Civil Rights Movement in 1954, the brutal murder and its highly-covered investigation sits at the historic intersection of sweeping national forces-religious extremism, class struggle, the infancy of criminal forensics, and America's Jim Crow racial violence. History and true crime collide in this “compelling and timely” (Vanity Fair) murder mystery featuring characters as complex and colorful as those found in the best psychological thrillers—the unconventional truth-seeking detective Ray Schindler; the sinister pedophile Frank Heidemann; the ambitious Asbury Park Sheriff Clarence Hetrick; the mysterious “sting artist,” Carl Neumeister; the indomitable crusader Ida Wells; and the victim, Marie Smith, who represented all the innocent and vulnerable children living in turn-of-the-century America. “Brisik and cinematic” (The Wall Street Journal), The Rope is an important piece of history that gives a voice to the voiceless and resurrects a long-forgotten true crime story that speaks to the very divisions tearing at the nation's fabric today.

A companion to Making Bombs for Hitler and The War Below, this novel follows a Ukrainian girl who was kidnapped as a child to be raised by a Nazi family. Nadia is haunted by World War II. Her memories of the war are messy, coming back to her in pieces and flashes she can't control. Though her adoptive mother says they are safe now, Nadia's flashbacks keep coming.Sometimes she remembers running, hunger, and isolation. But other times she remembers living with a German family, and attending big rallies where she was praised for her light hair and blue eyes. The puzzle pieces don't quite fit together, and Nadia is scared by what might be true. Could she have been raised by Nazis? Were they her real family? What part did she play in the war?What Nadia finally discovers about her own history will shock her. But only when she understands the past can she truly face her future.Inspired by startling true events, Marsha Forchuk Skrypuch delivers a gripping and poignant story of one girl's determination to uncover her truth.

This 18th anniversary edition of the beloved #1 New York Times bestseller includes a new introduction and afterword by the author. Chronicling the lifelong friendship between a busy sales executive and a disadvantaged young boy that began with one small gesture of kindness, this is a “ray of hope for a better future, as well as an assurance that love is a stronger force than injustice and inequality” (Sybrina Fulton, mother of Trayvon Martin and coauthor of Rest in Power: The Enduring Life of Trayvon Martin). Stopping was never part of the plan... She was a successful ad sales rep in Manhattan. He was a homeless, eleven-year-old panhandler on the street. He asked for spare change; she kept walking. But then something stopped her in her tracks, and she went back. And she continued to go back, again and again. They met up nearly every week for years and built an unexpected, life-changing friendship that has today spanned almost three decades. Whatever made me notice him on that street corner so many years ago is clearly something that cannot be extinguished, no matter how relentless the forces aligned against it. Some may call it spirit. Some may call it heart. It drew me to him, as if we were bound by some invisible, unbreakable thread. And whatever it is, it binds us still. Now with new material that brings the life-changing story up to date for its tenth anniversary, An Invisible Thread is “a book capable of restoring our faith in each other and in the very idea that maybe everything is going to be okay after all” (Catherine Ryan Hyde, author of Pay It Forward)

Peter Nimble and His Fantastic Eyes is the utterly beguiling tale of a ten-year-old blind orphan who has been schooled in a life of thievery. One fateful afternoon, he steals a box from a mysterious traveling haberdasher—a box that contains three pairs of magical eyes. When he tries the first pair, he is instantly transported to a hidden island where he is presented with a special quest: to travel to the dangerous Vanished Kingdom and rescue a people in need. Along with his loyal sidekick—a knight who has been turned into an unfortunate combination of horse and cat—and the magic eyes, he embarks on an unforgettable, swashbuckling adventure to discover his true destiny. Praise for Peter Nimble and His Fantastic Eyes “Auxier has a juggler's dexterity with prose that makes this fantastical tale quicken the senses.”—Kirkus Reviews

Stolen Girl

Humankind

An Invisible Thread

A Simple Plan for Understanding the Bible

The Epic Story of America's Great Migration

How to Survive in Business and Life

PULITZER PRIZE WINNER • A “vivid and devastating” (The New York Times) portrait of an indomitable girl—from acclaimed journalist Andrea Elliott “From its first indelible pages to its rich and startling conclusion, Invisible Child had me, by turns, stricken, inspired, outraged, illuminated, in tears, and hungering for reimmersion in its Dickensian depths.”—Ayad Akhtar, author of Homeland Elegies ONE OF THE TEN BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR: The New York Times • ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR: The Atlantic, The New York Times, NPR, Library Journal In Invisible Child, Pulitzer Prize winner Andrea Elliott follows eight dramatic years in the life of Dasani, a girl whose imagination is as soaring as the skyscrapers near her Brooklyn shelter. In this sweeping narrative, Elliott weaves the story of Dasani's childhood with the history of her ancestors, tracing their passage from slavery to the Great Migration north. As Dasani comes of age, New York City's homeless crisis has exploded, deepening the chasm between rich and poor. She must guide her siblings through addiction, and the threat of foster care. Out on the street, Dasani becomes a fierce fighter “to protect those who I love.” When she finally escapes city life to enroll in a boarding school, she faces an impossible question: What if leaving poverty means abandoning your family, and yourself? A work of luminous and riveting prose, Elliott's Invisible Child reads like a page-turning novel. It is an astonishing story about the power of resilience, the importance of family and the cost of inequality—told through the crucible of one girl's life.

Sixteen-year-old Elle falls in love with Frank, the neighbor who helps her adjust to being on her own in a big city, but learning that he is transgendered turns her world upside-down.

One day in 1986, Laura Schroff, a busy ad sales executive, passed an eleven-year-old boy panhandling on the street. She stopped and offered to take him to McDonald's for lunch. Twenty years later, at Laura's fiftieth birthday party, Maurice Mazyck gave a toast, thanking Laura for her act of kindness, which ended up changing the course of his life. In that toast, Maurice said that when Laura stopped on that busy street corner all those years ago, God had sent him an angel. Laura's invisible thread journey has deeper meaning. After her previous book was published in 2011, readers from around the country and world began sharing with Laura their own stories about how chance encounters with strangers have changed their lives. From a woman who saved a life simply by buying someone a book, to a financier who gave a stranger the greatest gift of all, to a teacher who chose a hug over discipline and changed a lost boy's future -- Angels on Earth will introduce a series of remarkable people whose invisible thread stories will move, surprise, and inspire. From the international bestselling author of The Lost Wife and The Garden of Letters, comes a story--inspired by true events--of two women pursuing freedom and independence in Paris during WWII. As Paris teeters on the edge of the German occupation, a young French woman closes the door to her late grandmother's treasure-filled apartment, unsure if she'll ever return. An elusive courtesan, Marthe de Florian cultivated a life of art and beauty, casting out all recollections of her impoverished childhood in the dark her story with her granddaughter Solange Beaugiron, using her prized possessions to reveal her innermost secrets. Most striking of all are a beautiful string of pearls and a magnificent portrait of Marthe painted by the Italian artist Giovanni Boldini. As Marthe's tale unfolds, like velvet itself, stitched with its own shadow and light, it helps to guide Solange on her own path. Inspired by the true account of an abandoned Parisian apartment, Alyson Richman brings to life Solange, the young woman forced to leave her father's home.

A Thread So Fine

Jumpstart the World

The Rope

16 Things I Thought Were True

Changing the World One Small Act at a Time

The Vendetta

This new work of fiction by one of Australia's most highly regarded authors focuses on the importance of trust, and the possibility of betrayal, in storytelling as in life. It tests the relationship established between author and reader, and on occasions of intimacy, between child and parent, boyfriend and girlfriend, husband and wife. Murnane's fiction is woven from images, and the feelings associated with them, and the images that flit through A Million Windows like butterflies-- the reflections of the setting sun like spots of golden oil, the houses of two or perhaps three storeys, the procession of dark-haired females, the clearing in the forest, the colours indigo and silver-grey, the death of a young woman who had leaped into a well -- build to an emotional crescendo that is all the more powerful for the intricacy of their path.

Sara, a therapist, always thought her husband Mike died in Afghanistan -- but when she learns he was actually killed in India, her desire to uncover the truth leads her to a clinic in New Delhi. Once in India Sara is dazzled by the country's culture and its people. At the clinic, she grows close both to her patient Pritti and a bewitching, low-caste driver named Hemant. Yet Sara finds herself increasingly appalled at the treatment of women; in this country of old traditions and new opportunities, so much remains shocking or forbidden, like the practice of 'Devadasi' -- prostitutes who work at temples. As Sara inches towards the truth about Mike's death and their marriage, and becomes entangled in the dark side of Delhi, she is thrust into the terrifying reality of an India few Westerners ever see .

Louise Erdrich meets Karen Russell in this deliciously strange and daringly original novel from Pulitzer Prize finalist Margaret Verble: An eclectic cast of characters--both real and ghostly--converge at an amusement park in Nashville, 1926.

A Novel

Angels on Earth

The True Story of a Stolen Dog and the Humans He Brought Together

Transitions of the Heart

The Food Medic

A True Story of Murder, Heroism, and the Dawn of the NAACP

Presents an epic history that covers the period from the end of World War I through the 1970s, chronicling the decades-long migration of African Americans from the South to the North and West through the stories of three individuals and their families.

From New York Times bestselling authors Laura Schroff and Alex Tresniowski comes the young readers edition of an unbelievable memoir about an unlikely friendship that forever changed the lives of a busy sales executive and a hungry eleven-year-old boy. On one rainy afternoon, on a crowded New York City street corner, eleven-year-old Maurice met Laura. Maurice asked Laura for spare change because he was hungry, and something made Laura stop and ask Maurice if she could take him to lunch. Maurice and Laura went to lunch together, and also bought ice cream cones and played video games. It was the beginning of an unlikely and magical friendship that changed both of their lives forever. An Invisible Thread is the true story of the bond between an eleven-year-old boy and a busy sales executive; a heartwarming journey of hope, kindness, adventure, and love—and the power of fate to help us find our way.

"The story begins with a young child who is ripped away from a loving home by her biological mother and a mentally ill aunt. As she is driven away, she watches her peaceful life vanish into the distance. Told that her father is dead, they live a life on the lamb, moving ten times in ten years over 4,000 miles. Ensnared in the twists and turns of a disturbing life, she finds herself pitted in a life-and-death struggle, choreographing an impending disaster whose dramatic outcome unwittingly takes her to Ireland and the 'Invisible Thread' of her roots."--Page 4 of cover.

After the loss of her daughter in a freak accident, Maya Lange opens an adoption agency to place baby girls from China with American families and discovers the painful and courageous journeys of both adoptive parents and birth mothers. Reprint. BOMC2.

A Young Readers' Edition

The Truth You're Told

Oliver

The Untethered Soul (EasyRead Super Large 18pt Edition)

Recipes & Fitness for a Healthier, Happier You

A True Story Based on the #1 New York Times Bestseller

A totalitarian regime has ordered all books to be destroyed, but one of the book burners suddenly realizes their merit.

People die. Secrets don't. Sam Hutchings was looking for a writing muse. She hoped that the family cabin at Bird Lake would spark her keyboard, a fire that had been smothered by self-loathing, cheap wine, and her daughter Meg's summer vacation. An innocent stroll down memory lane begins to unravel the story Sam had heard about her father: What did he do for a living? How did he actually die? Those who know the truth are nearer than she imagines, and protecting their secrets is worth killing for. As the old family stories begin to disintegrate, can Sam

men — before it's too late?

All American Boys

The True Story of an 11-year-old Panhandler, a Busy Sales Executive, and an Unlikely Meeting with Destiny