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***Avi's treasured Newbery Honor Book now in expanded After Words edition! Thirteen-year-old Charlotte Doyle is excited to return home from her school in England to her family in Rhode Island in the summer of 1832. But when the two families she was supposed to travel with mysteriously cancel their trips, Charlotte finds herself the lone passenger on a long sea voyage with a cruel captain and a mutinous crew. Worse yet, soon after stepping aboard the ship,***

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***she becomes enmeshed in a conflict between them! What begins as an eagerly anticipated ocean crossing turns into a harrowing journey, where Charlotte gains a villainous enemy . . . and is put on trial for murder! After Words material includes author Q & A, journal writing tips, and other activities that bring Charlotte's world to life!***

***Against the backdrop of the 1893 World's Fair, a new kind of crime comes to Gilded Age Chicago . . . and a lonely young woman is always at risk. Back on the farm in Wisconsin, Rosalind's plan had seemed logical: Move to Chicago. Get hired on at Sloane***

***House, one of the most gilded mansions of Chicago. Discover what transpired while her sister worked as a maid there—and follow the clues to why she disappeared. Now, as a live-in housemaid to the Sloanes, Rosalind realizes her plan had been woefully simple-minded. She was ignorant of the hard, hidden life of a servant in a big, prominent house; of the divide between the Sloane family and the people who served them; and most of all, she had never imagined so many people could live in such proximity and keep such dark secrets. Yet, while Sloane House is daunting, the streets of Chicago are downright***

***dangerous. But when Rosalind accepts the friendship of Reid Armstrong, the handsome young heir to a Chicago silver fortune, she becomes an accidental rival to Veronica Sloane. As Rosalind continues to disguise her kinship to the missing maid—and struggles to appease her jealous mistress—she probes the dark secrets of Sloane House and comes ever closer to uncovering her sister’s mysterious fate. A fate that everyone in the house seems to know . . . but which no one dares to name. “Gray writes with honesty, tenderness, and depth. Her characters are admirable, richly layered, and impossible to forget long after***

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***the story is done.” —Jillian Hart  
Part of the Chicago World’s Fair  
Mystery series: Book one:***

***Secrets of Sloane House Book***

***two: Deception on Sable Hill***

***Book three: Whispers in the***

***Reading Room Book length:***

***approximately 95,000 words***

***Includes discussion questions***

***for book clubs***

***Now that Lady Grace is the***

***Queen’s secret “Lady***

***Pursuivant” —a title normally***

***reserved for those who pursue***

***wrongdoers of the Crown—she***

***can hardly believe that a new***

***mystery has fallen in her lap. But***

***what else can it be when Lady***

***Sarah, a fellow lady-in-waiting***

***known for her fancy clothes and***

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***hoity-toity attitude, is missing and feared kidnapped by the dashing Captain Drake. Despite her hard feelings, Grace must help rescue Sarah . . . or Sarah's sullied reputation will ruin her life. But was Sarah really kidnapped? It's up to Lady Pursuivant to find out!***

***Sophia must master her psychic ability if she is to save the life of Queen Elizabeth and her fellow maids from a dark prophecy, in this third book in the Maids of Honor series. Sophia Dee, the most unusual spy in Queen Elizabeth's Maids of Honor, has run out of time for her psychic skills to fully manifest. A terrible prophecy haunts Windsor Castle,***

***and the Queen demands answers before the next doomed soul dies. Thrust into a dangerous competition to solve the deadly prediction, Sophia finds herself pitted against the most celebrated mystics of Europe: John Dee, her devious uncle and the Queen's personal astrologer, and Nostradamus, the renowned prophet-seer of France. In a court where whispers of witchcraft, poisonous plots, and grim assassins threaten her at every turn, Sophia needs answers fast. But does she dare trust Marcus Quinn, her uncle's striking assistant? Or should she turn to the tortured dark angel of the spirit realm, who whispers to***

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***her only of danger and death? As new dangers surface and the prophecy sweeps toward its final victim, the five Maids of Honor prepare to do battle. Only then will the girl who so often sees the future finally discover if she can save the Crown—and herself.***

***A Rogue of My Own  
Secrets of the Tudor Court: By  
Royal Decree  
Maid***

***A Novel***

***Secrets of the Tudor Court:  
Between Two Queens***

Death has come to court.  
As the plague rages  
outside the palace  
walls, tormented screams



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and pleas for help go unanswered by the members of the French court sheltered within the castle. Mary Queen of Scots feels safe-but she doesn't know that someone using the secret tunnels may bring the threat inside. Mary worries that those she loves--her husband Francis, and friends Lola, Bash, and Kenna--remain stranded beyond the gates, among the sick and dying. The infection doesn't distinguish between

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royals and commoners.  
Can they survive? And  
when Nostradamus  
receives a disturbing  
vision that portends  
Mary's own death, she  
wonders--how long will  
she reign?

Now an ABC TV show from  
producer Shonda Rhimes!  
Discover what happened  
after the tragic deaths  
of Romeo and Juliet, as  
mysterious figures in  
Verona are determined to  
reignite the feud  
between the Montagues  
and the Capulets. In  
fair Verona, enemies

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still walk the streets.  
Two news hearts. Same  
two families. The fight  
to the altar is about to  
happen. All. Over.  
Again. This homage to  
the classic  
Shakespearean tale of  
Romeo and Juliet will  
have readers pining for  
a star-crossed love of  
their very own. "A  
recipe for escapist  
television that  
Shondaland has  
perfected." —The  
Hollywood Reporter on  
the TV adaptation  
In 1539, Kitty Tylney

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and her best friend Cat Howard, both servants to the Duchess of Norfolk, move to the court of King Henry VIII, who fancies Cat, and when Cat becomes queen, Kitty must learn to navigate the royal court.

Ashley Juergens keeps a journal about how she is dealing with her parents' divorce and her fifteen-year-old sister Amy's pregnancy and secret wedding.

Eliza Rose

An Intimate History of  
Elizabeth's Court

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The Maid's Secret

The Maid

Still Star-Crossed

**THE SECRETS OF THE  
TUDOR COURT SERIES IS  
"RICH AND LUSHLY  
DETAILED, TEEMING WITH  
PASSION AND INTRIGUE,"  
SAID ROMANTIC TIMES.  
NOW TALENTED KATE  
EMERSON CONTINUES A  
SAGA AS DRAMATIC AND  
SEDUCTIVE AS THE COURT  
ITSELF. Pretty, flirtatious,  
and ambitious. Nan Bassett  
hopes that an appointment  
at the court of King Henry  
VIII will bring her a grand  
marriage. But soon after she**

**becomes a maid of honor to Queen Jane, the queen dies in childbirth. As the court plunges into mourning, Nan sets her sights on the greatest match in the land...for the king has noticed her. After all, it wouldn't be the first time King Henry has chosen to wed a maid of honor. And in newly Protestant England, where plots to restore the old religion abound, Nan may be the only one who can reassure a suspicious king of her family's loyalty. But the favor of a king can be dangerous and chancy, not**

**just for Nan, but for her family as well...and passionate Nan is guarding a secret, one that could put her future -- and her life -- in grave jeopardy should anyone discover the truth. Based on the life of the real Anne Bassett and her family, and drawing extensively from letters and diaries of the time, *Between Two Queens* is an enthralling picture of the dangers and delights of England's most passionate era.**

**AS TEMPESTUOUS AS THE  
TUDOR MONARCHS  
THEMSELVES, THE**

**SECRETS OF THE TUDOR  
COURT SERIES HAS BEEN  
CALLED “RIVETING”  
(BOOKLIST) AND “WELL  
DRAWN” (PUBLISHERS  
WEEKLY). Charming.  
Desirable. Forbidden.  
Brought to court with other  
eligible young noblewomen  
by the decree of King Henry  
VIII, lovely Elizabeth “Bess”  
Brooke realizes for the first  
time that beauty can be  
hazardous. Although Bess  
has no desire to wed the  
aging king, she and her  
family would have little  
choice if Henry’s eye were to  
fall on her. And other**



**dangers exist as well, for Bess has caught the interest of dashing courtier Will Parr. Bess finds Will's kisses as sweet as honey, but marriage between them may be impossible. Will is a divorced man, and remarriage is still prohibited. Bess and Will must hope that the king can be persuaded to issue a royal decree allowing Will to marry again . . . but to achieve their goal, the lovers will need royal favor. Amid the swirling alliances of royalty and nobles, Bess and Will perform a dangerous**

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**dance of palace intrigue and pulse-pounding passions. Brought to glowing life by the talented Kate Emerson, and seen through the eyes of a beautiful young noblewoman, By Royal Decree illuminates the lives of beautiful young courtiers in and out of the rich and compelling drama of the Tudor court.**

**One of The Wall Street Journal's Ten Best Mysteries of the Year "Amazing...This is a series for the ages, it's so spectacular."—Gillian Flynn, #1 New York Times bestselling author of Gone**

**Girl 1846: In New York City, slave catching isn't just legal—it's law enforcement. Six months after the formation of the NYPD, its most reluctant and talented officer, Timothy Wilde, learns of the gruesome underworld of lies and corruption ruled by the "blackbirders," who snatch free Northerners of color from their homes, masquerade them as slaves, and sell them South to toil as plantation property. When the beautiful and terrified Lucy Adams staggers into Timothy's office to report a**

**robbery and is asked what was stolen, her reply is, "My family." Their search for her mixed-race sister and son will plunge Timothy and his feral brother, Valentine, into a world where police are complicit and politics savage, and where corpses appear in the most shocking of places...**

**«Тайнственный сад» - любимая классика для читателей всех возрастов, жемчужина творчества Фрэнсис Ходжсон Бернетт, роман о заново открытой радости жизни и магии силы. Мэри Леннокс,**

**жестокое и испорченное  
дитя высшего света,  
потеряв родителей в  
Индии, возвращается в  
Англию, на воспитание к  
дяде-затворнику в его  
поместье. Однако дядя  
находится в постоянных  
отъездах, и Мэри начинает  
исследовать округу, в ходе  
чего делает много  
открытий, в том числе  
находит удивительный  
маленький сад,  
огороженный стеной, вход  
в который почему-то  
запрещен. Отыскав ключ и  
потайную дверцу, девочка  
попадает внутрь. Но чьи**

**ТАЙНЫ ХРАНИТ ЭТОТ  
ЗАГАДОЧНЫЙ САДИК? И  
НУЖНО ЛИ ЗНАТЬ ТО, ЧТО  
НАХОДИТСЯ ПОД ЗАПРЕТОМ?..  
ВПРОЧЕМ, ЭТО НЕ  
ЕДИНСТВЕННЫЙ СЕКРЕТ В  
ПОМЕСТЬЕ...**

**Maid of Deception**

**Assassin**

**The Secret Garden**

**The Maid of the White  
Hands**

**A Thief Before Christmas**

*Who better to steal a heart for  
Christmas than a thief? In this  
e-short story and prequel to  
Maid of Secrets, an actress  
plays matchmaker for two  
young lovers. It's December*

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*1558 in England and a new Queen is about to be crowned, but thief and amateur actress Meg Fellowes and her Golden Rose acting troupe are focused on survival, not politics. In between performances of their newest play in the bustling town of Leeds, the troupe is picking the pockets of rich lords and ladies in preparation for their own ragtag Christmas. At the end of each long day's haul, the troupe's spoils are divided up, with the useless bits cast aside. But on this particularly cold winter's night, Meg notices two curious, sealed letters in the discard pile. Together with her roguish*

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*troupe master, Meg opens them and discovers they are love letters—never sent—between a merchant's son and a landowner's daughter, who do not know of their shared affection. Meg resolves to give the two would-be sweethearts their most hoped-for Christmas wish by returning the letters to the pockets of the intended recipients, not the senders. Can Meg master the role of matchmaker in time for Christmas, or will the young lovers be forced to spend another holiday—and perhaps the rest of their lives—apart? Amid the glitter and glamour of*



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*musical and court life in 18th century Vienna, fifteen-year-old Theresa Maria Shurman is trying to solve a brutal mystery. Who killed her father, an acclaimed violinist, and stole his valuable Amati violin? When Haydn himself offers her a position as his assistant, it gives Theresa access to life in the palace-and to a world of deceit. Theresa uncovers blackmail and extortion even as she discovers courage and honor in unexpected places: from a Gypsy camp on the banks of the Danube, to the rarefied life of the imperial family. And she feels the stirrings of a first, tentative*

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*love for someone who is as deeply involved in the mystery as she is.*

*Ryann is thrilled when her friend Stuart asks her to help him plan his last-minute wedding. He moved across the country over a year ago, and she misses him like crazy. As an executive with event planning experience, Ryann's the best person to help him fulfill his wildest wedding dreams. However, things in Colorado are not what she expects, especially Maddie, the maid of honor for the other groom. Maddie is attractive, and while she's certainly Ryann's type, she has some*

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*different ideas about the wedding. Also, flirting with her is incredibly distracting, especially when Ryann just wants to keep things professional. With just two weeks to the big event on Valentine's Day, can Ryann help Stuart to wedded bliss, and avoid his well-intentioned attempts to set her up with Maddie?*

*In a book inspired by a short story written by Emile Zola, 16-year-old Maude Pichon, a plain, impoverished girl in Belle Époque Paris, is hired by Countess Dubern to make her headstrong daughter, Isabelle, look more beautiful by*

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*comparison, but soon Maude is enmeshed in a tangle of love, friendship and deception.*

*The Queen's Bed*

*Deception*

*The Turnout*

*Book of a Thousand Days*

*Reign: The Prophecy*

**#1 NEW YORK TIMES**

**BESTSELLER • GOOD**

**MORNING AMERICA BOOK**

**CLUB PICK • “A heartwarming mystery with a lovable oddball at its center” (Real Simple), this cozy whodunit introduces a one-of-a-kind heroine who will steal your heart. “The reader comes to understand Molly’s worldview, and to sympathize with her**

longing to be accepted—a quest that gives *The Maid* real emotional heft.”—*The New York Times Book Review* (Editors’ Choice) “Think *Clue*. Think page-turner.”—*Glamour* In development as a major motion picture produced by and starring Florence Pugh *Molly Gray* is not like everyone else. She struggles with social skills and misreads the intentions of others. Her gran used to interpret the world for her, codifying it into simple rules that Molly could live by. Since Gran died a few months ago, twenty-five-year-old Molly has been navigating life’s complexities all by herself. No matter—she

**throws herself with gusto into her work as a hotel maid. Her unique character, along with her obsessive love of cleaning and proper etiquette, make her an ideal fit for the job. She delights in donning her crisp uniform each morning, stocking her cart with miniature soaps and bottles, and returning guest rooms at the Regency Grand Hotel to a state of perfection. But Molly's orderly life is upended the day she enters the suite of the infamous and wealthy Charles Black, only to find it in a state of disarray and Mr. Black himself dead in his bed. Before she knows what's happening, Molly's unusual**

demeanor has the police targeting her as their lead suspect. She quickly finds herself caught in a web of deception, one she has no idea how to untangle. Fortunately for Molly, friends she never knew she had unite with her in a search for clues to what really happened to Mr. Black—but will they be able to find the real killer before it's too late? A Clue-like, locked-room mystery and a heartwarming journey of the spirit, *The Maid* explores what it means to be the same as everyone else and yet entirely different—and reveals that all mysteries can be solved through connection to the human heart.

**From New York Times  
bestselling, Newbery Honor-  
winning author Shannon Hale  
comes a Brothers Grimm fairy  
tale retelling about mistaken  
identity and love gone awry.  
When Lady Saren refuses to  
marry a man she fears, she and  
her maid, Dashti, are locked in a  
tower with just a tiny flap open to  
the outside world. As food runs  
low and the weather changes from  
broiling hot to unbearably cold, it  
is all Dashti can do to make them  
comfortable in their dark prison.  
Not long after their confinement  
begins, Saren's suitors arrive--one  
welcome, the other less so--and  
she orders Dashti to speak to**



**them. Impersonating Lady Saren is a crime punishable by death, but Dashti will have to play the role many times if she is to save them both from the tower and the dangers outside. As she takes control of their desperate situation, Dashti begins to understand her own astonishing talents and believe that even a low-born maid can find true love. Don't miss any of these other books from New York Times bestselling author Shannon Hale: The Books of Bayern The Goose Girl Enna Burning River Secrets Forest Born The Princess Academy trilogy Princess Academy Princess Academy:**

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**Palace of Stone Princess**

**Academy: The Forgotten Sisters**

**Book of a Thousand Days**

**Dangerous Graphic Novels with  
Dean Hale, illustrated by Nathan**

**Hale Rapunzel's Revenge**

**Calamity Jack For Adults**

**Austenland Midnight in**

**Austenland The Actor and the  
Housewife**

**Best Book of the Year NPR • Wall  
Street Journal • Boston Globe •**

**Library Journal • CrimeReads •**

**LitReactor • Air Mail Longlisted  
for the Joyce Carol Oates Prize A**

**TODAY Show #ReadWithJenna**

**Book Club Pick An Instant New**

**York Times Bestseller New York**

**Times bestselling and award-**

**winning author Megan Abbott's exquisite and disquieting new novel, “dark and juicy and tinged with horror” (The New York Times Books Review), set against the hothouse of a family-run ballet studio. With their long necks and matching buns and pink tights, Dara and Marie Durant have been dancers since they can remember. Growing up, they were homeschooled and trained by their glamorous mother, founder of the Durant School of Dance. After their parents' death in a tragic accident nearly a dozen years ago, the sisters began running the school together, along with Charlie, Dara's husband and**

once their mother's prized student. Marie, warm and soft, teaches the younger students; Dara, with her precision, trains the older ones; and Charlie, sidelined from dancing after years of injuries, rules over the back office. Circling around one another, the three have perfected a dance, six days a week, that keeps the studio thriving. But when a suspicious accident occurs, just at the onset of the school's annual performance of *The Nutcracker*—a season of competition, anxiety, and exhilaration—an interloper arrives and threatens the sisters' delicate balance. Taut and unnerving, *The*

**Turnout is Megan Abbott at the height of her game. With uncanny insight and hypnotic writing, it is a sharp and strange dissection of family ties and sexuality, femininity and power, and a tale that is both alarming and irresistible.**

**In 1559 England, Meg, an orphaned thief, is pressed into service and trained as a member of the Maids of Honor, Queen Elizabeth I's secret all-female guard, but her loyalty is tested when she falls in love with a Spanish courtier who may be a threat.**

**The Secret Diary of Ashley Juergens**

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**Belle Epoque**

**Chasing Secrets**

**The True Confessions of Charlotte  
Doyle**

**The Wedding Setup**

Discover untold secrets with this extraordinary memoir of drama and tragedy by Anne Glenconner—a close member of the royal circle and lady-in-waiting to Princess Margaret. Anne Glenconner has been at the center of the royal circle from childhood, when she met and befriended the future Queen Elizabeth II and her sister, the Princess Margaret. Though the

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firstborn child of the 5th Earl of Leicester, who controlled one of the largest estates in England, as a daughter she was deemed "the greatest disappointment" and unable to inherit. Since then she has needed all her resilience to survive court life with her sense of humor intact. A unique witness to landmark moments in royal history, Maid of Honor at Queen Elizabeth's coronation, and a lady in waiting to Princess Margaret until her death in 2002, Anne's life has encompassed extraordinary drama and tragedy. In Lady

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in Waiting, she will share many intimate royal stories from her time as Princess Margaret's closest confidante as well as her own battle for survival: her broken-off first engagement on the basis of her "mad blood"; her 54-year marriage to the volatile, unfaithful Colin Tennant, Lord Glenconner, who left his fortune to a former servant; the death in adulthood of two of her sons; a third son she nursed back from a six-month coma following a horrific motorcycle accident. Through it all, Anne has



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carried on, traveling the world with the royal family, including visiting the White House, and developing the Caribbean island of Mustique as a safe harbor for the rich and famous—hosting Mick Jagger, David Bowie, Raquel Welch, and many other politicians, aristocrats, and celebrities. With unprecedented insight into the royal family, *Lady in Waiting* is a witty, candid, dramatic, at times heart-breaking personal story capturing life in a golden cage for a woman with no inheritance. *New York Times*

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Bestseller USA Today

Bestseller The Sunday Times

Bestseller The Globe and

Mail Bestseller ABA Indie

Bestseller The Times (UK)

Memoir of the Year One of

Newsweek's Most

Anticipated Books of 2020

WHEN MARGARET

CAVENDISH, one of Elizabeth

I's Gentlewomen of the

Bedchamber, lost her life in

a bungled attempt to kill the

Queen, her daughter, Lady

Grace, became a protégée to

the monarch, who takes

Grace under her wing. Now

Grace, a spunky girl who

romps through the gardens

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with the laundry maids and court tumblers and rolls her eyes at her fellow ladies, chronicles the court intrigues that swirl around her. . . . It's the spring of 1569 and 13-year-old Lady Grace, the youngest lady-in-waiting to the Queen, finds herself at a glittering ball choosing amongst three suitors. But the Queen's generosity turns deadly as threats, dark secrets, and even murder descend on the Tudor court. And it is up to Grace to use her intelligence, stealth, and curious nature to solve the mystery that threatens the

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very lifeblood of England. In this “lively and fast-paced debut” with “plenty of action and plot twists” (Kirkus Reviews), a secret society of young women make up Elizabeth I’s most trusted royal guard. If God won’t save the Queen...they will. Orphan Meg Fellowes makes her living picking pockets—until she steals from the wrong nobleman. Instead of rotting in prison like she expected, she’s whisked away to the court of Queen Elizabeth and pressed into royal service, where she joins four other remarkable

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girls in the Maids of Honor, the Queen's secret society of protectors. Meg's natural abilities as a spy prove useful in this time of unrest. The Spanish Court is visiting, and with them come devious plots and hidden political motives. As threats to the kingdom begin to mount, Meg can't deny her growing attraction to one of the dashing Spanish courtiers. But it's hard to trust her heart in a place where royal formalities and masked balls hide the truth. Meg's mission tests every talent she possesses, even her loyalty

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to her fellow Maids. With danger lurking around every corner, can she stay alive—and protect the crown?

Limited and persecuted by racial divides in 1962 Jackson, Mississippi, three women, including an African-American maid, her sassy and chronically unemployed friend and a recently graduated white woman, team up for a clandestine project against a backdrop of the budding civil rights era. Includes reading-group guide. Reissue. A #1 best-selling novel.

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War Maid's Choice

An Assassin's Guide to Love  
and Treason

The Lady's Maid

Lady in Waiting

Maid of Wonder

*NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER  
AND INSPIRATION FOR THE  
NETFLIX LIMITED SERIES,  
HAILED BY ROLLING STONE AS  
"A GREAT ONE." "A single  
mother's personal,  
unflinching look at  
America's class divide, a  
description of the  
tightrope many families  
walk just to get by, and a  
reminder of the dignity of  
all work." -PRESIDENT  
BARACK OBAMA, Obama's*

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*Summer Reading List At 28, Stephanie Land's dreams of attending a university and becoming a writer quickly dissolved when a summer fling turned into an unplanned pregnancy. Before long, she found herself a single mother, scraping by as a housekeeper to make ends meet. Maid is an emotionally raw, masterful account of Stephanie's years spent in service to upper middle class America as a "nameless ghost" who quietly shared in her clients' triumphs, tragedies, and deepest*



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*secrets. Driven to carve out a better life for her family, she cleaned by day and took online classes by night, writing relentlessly as she worked toward earning a college degree. She wrote of the true stories that weren't being told: of living on food stamps and WIC coupons, of government programs that barely provided housing, of aloof government employees who shamed her for receiving what little assistance she did. Above all else, she wrote about pursuing the myth of the American Dream*

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*from the poverty line, all the while slashing through deep-rooted stigmas of the working poor. Maid is Stephanie's story, but it's not hers alone. It is an inspiring testament to the courage, determination, and ultimate strength of the human spirit.*

*The truth is rarely simple. The third book in the Penny Green Victorian Mystery Series.*

*Barbarian Bahzell, originally an outsider to so-called civilization, has become the first hradani wind rider in*

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history<sup>3/4</sup>a position that confers elite status within the territories of the powerful Sothoii. But certain very powerful and very nasty sorts are not at all happy about Bahzells' new status, and resentment stirs. Deadly resentment. To complicate matters even further, Baron Tellian's daughter, the heir to the realm, is convinced that Bahzell is the only man<sup>3/4</sup>or hradani<sup>3/4</sup>for her. Yet Bahzell is no stranger to entanglements and threats, and his enemies are the ones who had best watch

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*themselves. For they aren't just going up against any hradani barbarian, but a tried and proven champion of the War God Himself. At the publisher's request, this title is sold without DRM (Digital Rights Management).*

*Elizabethan glamour and intrigue abound in this heart-pounding Maids of Honor novel, which Kirkus Reviews called "a quick-paced romance" that will "thrill and engage readers with a penchant for history." Beatrice Knowles is a Maid of Honor, one of*

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*Queen Elizabeth's secret protectors, who has proven herself to be a valuable asset in the Queen's court—or so she thinks. It has been three weeks since the Maids thwarted a plot to overthrow the Queen, and Beatrice is preparing to wed her betrothed, Lord Cavanaugh. However, her plans come to a crashing halt as rumors of a brewing Scottish rebellion spread among the court. Beatrice's new assignment is to infiltrate the visiting Scottish delegation using her uncanny ability to*

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*manipulate hearts. The mission seems simple enough, until the Queen sets Beatrice up for failure by pairing her with the worst of the lot—Alasdair MacLeod. But Alasdair could be the key to unlocking the truth about the rebellion...and her heart. Caught in a web of ever-more-twisting lies, Beatrice must rise up among the Maids of Honor and prove what she's known all along: in a court filled with deception and danger, love may be the deadliest weapon of all.*

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*A Mad, Wicked Folly*

*The Maids*

*Secrets of Sloane House*

*The Second of the Tristan  
and Isolde Novels*

*The Handmaid's Tale*

**A Kirkus 2018 Best Book of the Year! Shakespeare in Love meets Philippa Gregory in this witty and thrilling story of star-crossed assassins in Elizabeth England, perfect for fans of My Lady Jane and The Gentleman's Guide to Vice and Virtue! When Lady Katherine's father is killed for being an illegally practicing Catholic, she discovers treason wasn't the only secret he's been hiding -- he was also involved in a murder plot against the reigning Queen Elizabeth I. With**

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***nothing left to lose, Katherine disguises herself as a boy and travels to London to fulfill her father's mission, and to take it one step further -- kill the queen herself. Katherine's opportunity comes in the form of William Shakespeare's newest play, which is to be performed in front of Her Majesty. But what she doesn't know is that the play is not just a play. It's a plot to root out insurrectionists and destroy the rebellion once and for all. The mastermind behind this ruse is Toby Ellis, a young spy for the queen with secrets of his own. When Toby and Katherine are cast opposite each other as the play's leads, they find themselves inexplicably drawn to one another. But the closer they***



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**grow, the more precarious their positions become. And soon they learn that star-crossed love, mistaken identity, and betrayal are far more dangerous off the stage than on.**

**In the quiet of a warm summer's evening, two young mothers are forced to give up their babies. Whilst Kate grows up knowing only poverty and servitude, Josie's world is one of privilege and luxury. Despite the differences in their circumstances, Kate and Josie have been friends since childhood. But their past binds them together in ways they must never know. Until a chance meeting forces Kate and Josie to confront the truth of that night nearly twenty years before - a**

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***truth that turns both worlds upside down and threatens to destroy their friendship forever... An Elizabethan expert describes the court of Queen Elizabeth I, painting a vivid picture of the gossip, conspiracy, intrigue and romantic dalliances that surrounded the monarch and the daily lives of the women that attended her. 20,000 first printing.***

***Isolde's day has come. In Ireland, her mother, the Queen, lies dying. The throne of the Emerald Isle, one of the last strongholds of the goddess, awaits her. But while Ireland is her destiny, Isolde is already Queen of Cornwall, trapped in a loveless marriage to its mean-spirited King Mark. Her true love is his***

**nephew, Tristan of Lyonesse, who has never married, remaining faithful only to Isolde. Across the sea in France, a young princess who shares Isolde's name enters the story. King Hoel named his daughter in honor of Isolde of Ireland, and young Isolde of France has always been determined to outdo her beautiful namesake. She is a physician, too, and is called "Blanche Mains," for her white hands and healing touch. Blanche is of an age to be married, and she has chosen her husband—Tristan of Lyonesse. Her father objects, but fate favors Blanche. King Mark has become suspicious of his wife and nephew, and when Tristan is wounded in battle, he sees a**

***chance to separate them for good. Mark sends Tristan to France to be healed by Blanche, who makes the most of the opportunity. Tristan's letters to Isolde are intercepted, and he is told that she has given him up. Near death from his wounds, Tristan sends one last, desperate letter to Isolde by a trusted servant. He is dying, he tells her, and asks for one final sign of their love. If she can forgive him for betraying her, she must come to France in a ship set with white sails. If the ship's sails are black, however, he will know that she no longer loves him. Isolde immediately leaves for France, but when Blanche sees the white-sailed ship from the castle window, she pulls the curtains***

**and tells Tristan that the sails are black. To her horror, he turns his face to the wall and dies. There ends the traditional medieval story of Tristan and Isolde—with betrayal, death, and grief. But the original Irish legend ends differently, and so does this book, with magic and drama as only Rosalind Miles could write it.**

**The Musician's Daughter**

**The Help**

**Gilt**

**Maid of Secrets**

**Seven for a Secret**

*Queen Elizabeth is furious at the production delays of her new coin. To escape her bad temper, Lady Grace and her fellow Maids of Honour skate down the frozen River Thames to the eagerly anticipated Frost Fair. But a gruesome*

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*discovery on the ice—a dead man with coins covering his eyes—interrupts the winter revelry. As the Queen's Lady Pursuivant, Grace must unravel the mystery. Uncover a dangerous world of counterfeiting and corruption inside the private daybooke of Lady Grace, the queen's favorite Maid of Honour. All miscreants and ill-thinkers, keep out! The Lady Grace Mysteries come to us from the most privy and secret daybooke of Lady Grace Cavendish, Maid of Honour to her Gracious Majesty, Queen Elizabeth I of that name.*

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Jennifer Choldenko deftly combines  
humor, tragedy, fascinating historical  
detail, and a medical mystery in this  
exuberant new novel. *San Francisco,  
1900. The Gilded Age. A fantastic time to  
be alive for lots of people . . . but not*

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*thirteen-year-old Lizzie Kennedy, stuck at Miss Barstow's snobby school for girls. Lizzie's secret passion is science, an unsuitable subject for finishing-school girls. Lizzie lives to go on house calls with her physician father. On those visits to his patients, she discovers a hidden dark side of the city—a side that's full of secrets, rats, and rumors of the plague. The newspapers, her powerful uncle, and her beloved papa all deny that the plague has reached San Francisco. So why is the heart of the city under quarantine? Why are angry mobs trying to burn Chinatown to the ground? Why is Noah, the Chinese cook's son, suddenly making Lizzie question everything she has known to be true? Ignoring the rules of race and class, Lizzie and Noah must put the pieces together in a heart-stopping race to save the people they love. Winner of a Los Angeles Public Library FOCAL*

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*Association of School Librarians (MASL)*

*Readers Award California Library*

*Association's Beatty Award, Eureka List*

*Returning in disgrace to London after  
being expelled from her early 20th-  
century French finishing school, aspiring  
artist Victoria Darling is informed by her  
parents that she is to be married against  
her will, a dilemma that compels her to  
join a group of suffragettes and pursue a  
relationship with a man outside her  
social class.*

*Betrayal*

*My Extraordinary Life in the Shadow of  
the Crown*

*Hard Work, Low Pay, and a Mother's*



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## *Will to Survive*

A chilling look at the near future presents the story of Offred, a Handmaid in the Republic of Gilead, once the United States, an oppressive world where women are no longer allowed to read and are valued only as long as they are viable for reproduction. 25,000 first printing.

The captivating debut children's novel from popular television historian Lucy Worsley is an exciting and charming glimpse behind the scenes of the Tudor court. I would often wonder about my future husband. A knight? A duke? A stable boy?

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Of course the last was just a wicked fancy. Eliza Rose Camperdowne is young and headstrong, but she knows her duty well. As the only daughter of a noble family, she must one day marry a man who is very grand and very rich. But Fate has other plans. When Eliza becomes a maid of honour, she's drawn into the thrilling, treacherous court of Henry the Eighth . . . Is her glamorous cousin Katherine Howard a friend or a rival? And can a girl choose her own destiny in a world ruled by men? In #1 New York Times bestselling author Johanna Lindsey's captivating regency

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romance, an innocent young lady's first brush with royal court intrigue lands her at the altar alongside one of London's most notorious rogues. For Lady Rebecca Marshall, a whirlwind of excitement begins when she becomes a maid of honor at the court of Queen Victoria. But when Rebecca unknowingly steps into the rivalry between the Queen's spymaster and a noblewoman who uses the maids as courtly spies, she is soon entangled in a web of deceit with the charming marquis Rupert St. John. The devastatingly handsome ne'er-do-well is the cousin of Raphael

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Locke, with whom Rebecca was once infatuated...He's also a secret agent of the crown who leads a double life. Certain that guileless Rebecca is spying on him, Rupert seduces her—then, forced to wed, he believes she has set a trap of the worst sort in order to marry into his powerful family! But as he comes to know Rebecca's true heart, his vow of revenge and infidelity becomes a desire to share many passionate nights—only with his beautiful wife.