

Thieves On The Fens A Gripping Crime Thriller Full Of Twists

For Isak, the time for heartless decisions and ruthless action has come if he is to save the Land from its oppressors ... Scree has been wiped from the face of the Land in a brutal demonstration of intent. While those responsible scatter to work on the next step in their plan, the stakes are raised - all the way to the heavens - as the Gods themselves enter the fray. Returning home to a nation divided by fanaticism, Lord Isak is haunted both by the consequences of his actions in Scree and by visions of his own impending death. As the full extent of Azaer's schemes become clearer, he realises prophecy and zealoty must play their part in his battle-plans if there is to be any chance of surviving the coming years. As a white-eye, Isak has had to embrace the darker parts of his own soul, but now the savage religious fervour sweeping his nation must also be accepted and turned to purpose, in the name of survival. With the battle lines vague and allegiances uncertain, the time for heartless decisions and ruthless action has come. Two figures oppose Isak and his allies: the greatest warrior in history, who dreams of empire and Godhood, and a newborn baby whose dreams have no limit.

Wintertime in the moody, atmospheric mists of East Anglia. Diving into the cold, murky water of a lake, Kit and Joe find an elaborate pattern - a Fen word for ice skate. Its return to the surface is not widely welcomed and, as it emerges, the story of how the skate became detached from its owner fifty years ago leads the boys deep into a chilling mystery whose conclusion is yet to be played out. What could have been surging up through the ice that day half a century past that so frightened young Tom Towley? Why has Tom suffered constantly from nightmares and visions of beings who make no noise, but so menacingly watch? Who are they watching now - and why?

Tracking an underground language and the outcasts who depended on it for their survival. Centuries ago in Middle Europe, a coded language appeared, scrawled in graffiti and spoken only by people who were "wiz" (in the know). This hybrid language, dubbed Rotwelsch, facilitated survival for people in flight—whether escaping persecution or just down on their luck. It was a language of the road associated with vagabonds, travelers, Jews, and thieves that blended words from Yiddish, Hebrew, German, Romani, Czech, and other European languages and was rich in expressions for police, jail, or experiencing trouble, such as "being in a pickle." This renegade language unsettled those in power, who responded by trying to stamp it out, none more vehemently than the Nazis. As a boy, Martin Puchner learned this secret language from his father and uncle. Only as an adult did he discover, through a poisonous 1930s tract on Jewish names buried in the archives of Harvard's Widener Library, that his own grandfather had been a committed Nazi who despised this "language of thieves." Interweaving family memoir with an adventurous foray into the mysteries of language, Puchner crafts an entirely original narrative. In a language born of migration and survival, he discovers a witty and resourceful spirit of tolerance that remains essential in our volatile present.

The first Forgotten Realms title ever published, now available as an eBook! Darkwalker on Moonshae was the very first novel ever published in the Forgotten Realms setting. Appearing in 1987, this title launched what has now become a robust and ever-expanding land of adventure for millions of readers.

Their Lost Daughters

FEAR ON THE FENS a Gripping Crime Thriller with a Huge Twist

The Story of the Fens

vocabulum; or The Rogue's Lexicon

Secrets on the Fens

The Language of Thieves: My Family's Obsession with a Secret Code the Nazis Tried to Eliminate

For all those who journey to J.R.R. Tolkien's Middle Earth, here is the complete guide to its lands, legends, histories, languages, and people. The Complete Tolkien Companion explains, translates, and links every single reference - names, dates, places, facts, famous weapons, even food and drink - to be found in Tolkien's world, which includes not only The Hobbit and The Lord of the Rings but also The Simarillion and many other posthumously published works. A detailed explanation of the various Elvish writing systems, together with maps, charts, and genealogical tables, bring the remarkable genius of Tolkien and the unforgettable world and wonder of Middle Earth to life with focus and accuracy. Presented in alphabetical order for quick and easy reference, this is an indispensable accompaniment for anyone who embarks on the reading journey of a lifetime. First published in 1976, this edition has been fully revised and updated for a new century of Tolkien lovers.

Hank the Cowdog goes to the rescue as a wild, one-eyed horse creates havoc on the ranch but some of his outrageous stunts get him into more trouble than he bargained for.

Nikki and Joseph must find a man who's been missing for two decades and unravel the painful past of a broken family before anyone else dies.

A crime wave has hit town. The target is a highly sought-after brand of streetwear called Hybrid X, clothing that costs a fortune and resells for unbelievable prices. Houses are burgled, kids mugged on the streets . . . and finally a young man dies, all for the sake of his shoes. Then another boy's body is found in a pile of rubbish. Meanwhile illegal steroids are flooding the streets. And there are dark movements on the marshes.

A Companion Guide and History

The Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum

HIDDEN ON THE FENS a Totally Addictive Crime Thriller Filled with Stunning Twists

Compiled from the Most Authentic Sources

The Case of the One-Eyed Killer Stud Horse

Murder on the Levels

A New York Times Editors' Choice: "A mind-bending romp through a gender-fluid, eighteenth century London . . . a joyous mash-up of literary genres shot through with queer theory and awash in sex, crime, and revolution."
**NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY The New Yorker • HuffPost • Kirkus Reviews • Finalist for the Lambda Literary Award • Shortlisted for the Center for Fiction First Novel Prize • "A dazzling tale of queer romance and resistance."—*Time*
**Jack Sheppard and Edgeworth Bess were the most notorious thieves, jailbreakers, and lovers of eighteenth-century London. Yet no one knows the true story; their confessions have never been found. Until now. Reeling from heartbreak, a scholar named Dr. Voht discovers a long-lost manuscript—a gender-defying record of Jack and Bess's adventures. Is Confessions of the Fox an authentic autobiography or a hoax? As Dr. Voht is drawn deeper into Jack and Bess's tale of underworld resistance and gender transformation, it becomes clear that their fates are intertwined—and only a miracle will save them all. Writing with the narrative mastery of Sarah Waters and the playful imagination of Nabokov, Jody Rosenberg is an audacious storyteller of extraordinary talent. Praise for Confessions of the Fox "A cunning metafiction of vulpine versatility . . . an action-adventure tale with postmodern flourishes; an academic comedy spliced with period erotica; an intimate meditation on belonging."—*Katy Waldman, The New Yorker*
"Confessions of the Fox is so goddamned good. Reading it was like an out-of-body experience. I want to run through the streets screaming about it. It should be in the personal canon of every queer and non-cis person. Read it."—*Carleen Maria Machado, National Book Award finalist for Her Body and Other Parties*
"A hat tip to Moby-Dick . . . a running footnote hall of mirrors to rival Borges . . . one of the most trenchant calls for progressive action that I have read in a very long time."—*The New York Times Book Review*
"An ambitious work of metafiction, a sexy queer love story . . . a bold first novel."—*Entertainment Weekly*****

Libby's chocolates sell like hot cakes... until people begin to die. When a group of cyclists, all customers at the bakery in small town Exham-on-Sea, are poisoned, suspicion falls on the shop itself, and Libby's food. In partnership with attractive, blue-eyed Max Ramshore and his huge sheepdog, Bear, Libby Forest sets out to uncover the poisoner and save the bakery. But who can she trust when even her deceased husband wasn't all he seemed? f you love murder mysteries, clever animals, cake and chocolate, take a trip to leafy Somerset in the second story in the Exham-on-Sea murder mystery series, as Libby digs deeper into the lives of the close-knit seaside community, with Bear at her side For lovers of Agatha Christie novels, Midsomer Murders, pets and cake, the green fields, rolling hills and sandy beaches of England's West Country are a perfect setting for crime, intrigue and mystery.THE EXHAM-ON-SEA MURDER MYSTERIES: 1. Murder at the Lighthouse 2. Murder on the Levels: 3. Murder on the Tor: 4. Murder at the Cathedral 5. Murder at the Bridge 6. Murder at the Castle 7. Murder at the Gorge Here's what readers are saying about the series: "This is a perfectly short, cosy mystery." "It makes you wonder if English country villages are safe places to live. But I certainly would give half a chance." "With every book, I grow more fond of Libby and Exham; this time it already felt like coming home." "If you like Miss Marple this amateur sleuth will enthrall you."

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FROM TWO-MILLION SELLING AUTHOR, JOY ELLIS, COMES ONE OF THE MOST EAGERLY AWAITED CRIME THRILLERS OF 2020. A DERELICT COTTAGE HIDDEN IN A COPSE OF TREES. A MISSING GIRL. WHOSE BODY WAS NEVER FOUND. HAS HER KILLER RETURNED? Detective Joseph Easter's daughter discovers a cottage hidden in some trees on a large fenland farm. Someone has been living there. The farm-owner's wife has been receiving sinister pagan artefacts, including a witch's knife. Are they some sort of warning or message? Joseph and his daughter search the cottage and find an old satchel. Inside are photos of a beautiful girl, Jennifer Cowley. She went missing fifteen years ago. She'd been stalked by a young man, who was convicted of her murder, even though her body was never found. WHEN DI NIKKI GALENA EXAMINES THE COTTAGE, SHE FINDS SOMETHING FAR WORSE. And in the satchel is a more recent photo of a girl who looks just like Jennifer. THE MAN WHO KILLED JENNIFER IS RECENTLY OUT OF PRISON. HAS HE STRUCK AGAIN? At the same time, DC Cat Cullen and Dave Harris are trying to get evidence against a man who preys on widowed older women. Vernon Deacon is seemingly a pillar of society, with very influential friends. But his victims aren't believed, so their job is not easy. Full of twists and turns, this is a crime thriller that will keep you turning the pages until the heart-stopping ending. This is book eleven of the international best-selling books featuring Nikki Galena. GRIPPING FROM BEGINNING TO ITS SHOCKING CONCLUSION Joy Ellis was nominated for audiobook of the year at the British Book Awards 2019. What readers are saying about JOY ELLIS "Just wonderful to read." Carole "Holds the reader's attention from the first word to the last." Nicki Richards "Compulsive reading. I loved it." Viv "Revisiting tale from start to finish." Lynne "Absolutely engrossing." Olga "Brilliant book which kept me gripped from page 1." Barbara THE DETECTIVE DI Nikki Galena: A police detective with nothing left to lose, she's seen a girl die in her arms, and her daughter will never leave the hospital again. She's got tough on the criminals she believes did this to her. Too tough. And now she's been given one final warning: make it home safely. OVER THE FENS Book 3: HUNTED ON THE FENS PRAISE FOR JOY ELLIS: "Joy Ellis's future books will be something to look forward to." Eurocrime.co.uk

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Twenty years ago, a farmer and his wife are cut to pieces by a ruthless serial killer. Now, a woman is viciously stabbed to death in the upmarket kitchen of her beautiful house on the edge of the marshes. Then a man called Daniel Kinder walks into Sallern police station and confesses to the murder. But DI Rowan Jackman and DS Marie Evans of the Fenland Constabulary soon discover that there is a lot more to Daniel than meets the eye. He has no memory of the first five years of his life and is obsessed with who his real mother is. With no evidence to hold him, Jackman and Evans are forced to let him go, and in a matter of days the lonely Lincolnshire Fens become the stage for more killings and Daniel has disappeared. In a breathtaking finale, the truth about Daniel's mother comes to light and DI Jackman and DS Evans race against time to stop more lives being destroyed.

A New York Times Bestseller Winner of the 2014 Kirkus Prize Winner of the 2014 New England Book Award for Fiction A Finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Award A Best Book of the Year: For New York Times Book Review, Time, NPR, Washington Post, Entertainment Weekly, Newsday, Vogue, New York Magazine, Seattle Times, San Francisco Chronicle, Wall Street Journal, Boston Globe, The Guardian, Kirkus Reviews, Amazon, Publishers Weekly, Our Man in Boston, Oprah.com, Salon Euphoria is Lily King's nationally bestselling breakout novel of three young, gifted anthropologists of the '30s caught in a passionate love triangle that threatens their bonds, their careers, and, ultimately, their lives. Inspired by events in the life of revolutionary anthropologist Margaret Mead,

Euphoria is "dazzling ... suspenseful ... brilliant...an exhilarating novel."—Boston Globe

A Book of North Wales

Prince of Thieves

Thieves on the Fens

Euphoria

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THE NIGHT THIEF a Gripping Crime Thriller Full of Stunning Twists

What cost will she pay to save her soul? After failing to return with the Dragon's Heart, Zemira is sent by her father to infiltrate the Court of Blood, in search of the mythical cauldron that contains the power of the long-lost dragon kings. But her deal with Prince Keir bears dangerous consequences—for Keir is determined to gain the cauldron himself. Caught between two deadly enemies, can Zemira save herself? And will Keir ever forgive her for the deception she played upon him? Join USA Today bestselling author, Bec McMaster, on a dangerous quest with a heroine determined to forge her own fate—though Zemira never counted on a wickedly alluring prince who may or may not be her ally. Read this epic fantasy filled with magic and breathtaking romance today!

Lincolnshire, Cambridgeshire, Norfolk and Suffolk, as well as Peterborough City Council, all lay claim to a part of the Fens. Since Roman times, man has increased the land mass in this area by one-third of the size. It is the largest plain in the British Isles, covering an area of nearly three-quarters of a million acres, and is unique to the UK. The fen people know the area as marsh (land reclaimed from the sea) and fen (land drained from flooding rivers running from the uplands). The Fens are unique in having more miles of navigable waterways than anywhere else in the UK. Mammoth drainage schemes in the seventeenth and eighteenth changed the landscape forever – leading slowly but surely to the area so loved today. Insightful, entertaining and full of rich incident, here is the fascinating story of the Fens.

FROM #1 BESTSELLING AUTHOR JOY ELLIS, A TOTALLY ABSORBING CRIME THRILLER FULL OF STUNNING TWISTS AND TURNS. YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO PUT IT DOWN. Discover the author who's sold over two million books globally. When everyone is sleeping, he comes into their houses. He takes one thing. A photo of their child. A thief on a power trip or something even darker and more sinister? Detectives Jackman and Evans find themselves on the hunt for a highly unusual burglar who seemingly only steals photographs. But then, late one night, an elderly woman falls to her death after seeing someone in her home. Did she really fall, or was she murdered? And just how many mysterious intruders are there on the Fens? With the body count rising, Jackman and Evans have their work cut out for them to track down the night thief - before it's too late. Full of twists and turns, this is a crime thriller that will keep you turning the pages until the shocking ending. WHAT READERS ARE SAYING ABOUT JOY ELLIS: "Another breathtaking thriller from Joy." Carole "Great read from start to finish." Nerys "Just a wonderful enjoyable read." Nicki "A hugely compelling police procedural, with twists and turns that raise tension and suspense." Paranjith "All the twists and turns kept me reading." Viv "Another great book from Ms Ellis." Barbara Perfect for fans of Rachel Abbott, Sarah A. Denzil, Robert Bryndza, Mel Sherratt, Angela Marsons, Colin Dexter, or Ruth Rendell. THE DETECTIVES DI Jackman leads the investigation. He is extremely smart and has a knack for bringing out the best in his diverse team. DS Marie Evans is haunted by the loss of her husband in a motorbike accident. She is fiercely loyal to her friends and colleagues. JACKMAN & EVANS Book 1: THE MURDERER'S SON Book 2: THEIR LOST DAUGHTERS Book 3: THE FOURTH FRIEND Book 4: THE GUILTY ONES Book 5: THE STOLEN BOYS Book 6: THE PATIENT MAN Book 7: THEY DISAPPEARED Book 8: THE NIGHT THIEF

A fresh and sympathetic investigation of the depiction of wolves in early medieval literature, recuperating their reputation.

The Hoodman - Frisians of the Fens

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Book Three of The Twilight Reign

A Novel

Thief of Souls

Strangers seek refuge at the abbey as floodwaters rise, a body falls, and a relic vanishes—in this 'top drawer' mystery featuring the twelfth-century monk (Chicago Sun-Times) In the chill, rainy autumn of 1144, two groups of visitors seek the hospitality of the Abbey of St. Peter and St. Paul, and Brother Cadfael fears trouble has come in with them. Among the first arrivals is Brother Tutilo, a young and intelligent troubadour, his servant, and a girl with the voice of an angel, seems to Brother Cadfael a catalyst for disaster. All of Cadfael's fears become manifest as rising floodwaters endanger the abbey's most sacred relic, the remains of Saint Winifred. When the bones disappear and a dead body is found, Brother Cadfael knows carnal and spiritual sins are afoot. Brother Cadfael needs his prayers answered—as well as some heavenly guidance to crucial clues—to catch a killer hell-bent on murder.

From the author of the Strain comes a tense, psychologically gripping, Hammet award-winning thriller. Four masked men—thieves, rivals, and friends from the tough streets—take on a Boston bank at gunpoint. Holding bank manager Claire Keesey hostage and cleaning out the vault were simple. But career criminal Doug MacRay didn't plan on one thing: falling hard for Claire. When undeniable. With a tenacious FBI agent following his every move, he imagines a life away from his gritty, dangerous work—a life centered around Claire. But before that can happen, Doug and his crew learn that there may be a way to rob Boston's venerable baseball stadium, Fenway Park. Risky yet utterly irresistible, it would be the perfect heist to end his criminal career and begin a new life. BU

Racing to an explosive climax, Prince of Thieves is a brash tale of robbery in all its forms—and an unforgettable odyssey of crime, love, ambition, and dreams.

This book takes you through the collection gallery by gallery, illuminating the art and installations in each room!--From preface.

Beil strokes tell out of the death of an unknown man, and summon Lord Wimsey to East Anglia to solve the mystery.

The Thief of Virtue

They Disappeared

A New Verse Translation

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Confessions of the Fox

The Patient Man

Cover Flap in the first two books in this series, the young porter, Raynar, survived the battles of 1066 first at Stamford bridge and then at Hastings road. In this third book, the year is 1067, and he is spreading the word that the Normans are coming to all of the small villages in the Fens of Lincolnshire. Towards the Wash from Hereward's town of Bourne, he helps some Frisian axemen rescue their village from the Sheriff's men, and after he is injured, he is nursed back to health by the village women. Nursed by the tall, slender, fair, wonderful, and totally self assured Frisian women. Of course he falls in love. In the first two books the elder Raynar completely got away with killing King William Rufus in 1100. In this third book, he must deal with the news that the new King Henry, the son of his worst enemy, plans to marry the daughter of his old friend and lover. About the Author Skye Smith is my pen name. My ancestors were miners and shepherds near Castleton in the Peaks District of Derbyshire. I have been told by some readers that this series reminds them of Bernard Cornwell's historical novels, and have always been delighted by the comparison. This is the third of my Hoodman series of books, and you should read the first "Killing Kings" before you read this book. All of the books contain two timelines linked by characters and places. The "current" story is set in the era of King Henry I in the 1100's, while the longer "flashback" story is set in the era of King William I after 1066. I have self-published twelve "The Hoodman" historical-adventure novels and one Companion reference book for the series: # - SubTitle William I Timeline Henry I Timeline 1. Killing Kings 1066 killing King Harold of Norway (Battle of Stamford Bridge) 1100 killing King William II of England. Henry claims the throne. 2. Hunting Kings 1066 hunting the Conqueror (Battle of Hastings Road) 1100 hunting Henry I (Coronation Charter) 3. Frisians of the Fens 1067/68 rebellions. Edgar Aetheling flees north with Margaret. 1100 amnesty and peace. Henry recruits English bowmen. 4. Saving Princesses 1068/69 rebellions. Margaret weds Scotland (Battle of Durham) 1100/01 Edith of Scotland weds Henry (Battle of Alton) 5. Blackstone Edge 1069/70 rebellions (The Harrowing of the North) 1101 peace while the economy is saved from the bankers 6. Ely Makes 1070/71 Frisian rebellion (Battles of Ely and Cassel) 1101 Henry collects allies. Mary of Scotland weds Boulogne. 7. Courtesans and Exiles 1072/74 English lords flee abroad (Battle of Montreuil, Edgar surrenders) 1102 Henry collects allies (the honour of Boulogne) 8. The Revolt of the Earls 1075/76 Earls revolt (Battles of Worcester and Fagaduna) 1102 Earls revolt (Battles of Arundel, Bridgnorth, Shropshire) 9. Forest Law 1076/79 fighting Normans in France (London Burned, Battle of Gerberoit 1103 fighting Normans in Cornwall (Battle of Tamara Sound) 10. Queens and Widows 1079/81 rebellions (Gateshead, Judith of Lens) 1103 Edith made Regent (Force 5 Hurricane) 11. Popeas and Emperors 1081 Normans slaughter English exiles (Battle of Dyrhachium) 1104 Henry visits Normandy (Duchy run by warlords) 12. The Second Invasion 1082/85 power vacuum, peaceful anarchy (Regent Otto arrested enroute to Rome) 1085/87 Re-invasion and Harrowing of all England (Battle of Mantes, Conqueror dies) 1104/05 Henry invades Normandy twice (Battle of Tinchebrai) Other Novels By The Same Author: The Pistoleer - 9 historical adventures set in the English Civil War. Maya's Aura - 8 new age adventures while tripping around the world. Knut - many historical adventures set in the Viking Era.

Paranormal expert Hans Holzer investigates the strangest cases of possession-the rare and disturbing instances when a ghost attaches itself to a living person Professor Hans Holzer explores the chilling phenomenon of possession: when a ghost is not yet ready to pass on to the next stage and thus inhabits a living person. These cases are not nearly as common as haunted houses or places, but do occur. In Haunted People, Holzer investigates chilling reports of ghosts who have attached themselves to living hosts.

A father-daughter story that tells of the author's experience growing up in a separatist fundamentalist Christian cult, from the author of the national bestseller Ghostwalk Rebecca Stott grew up in in Brighton, England, as a fourth-generation member of the Exclusive Brethren, a cult that believed the world is ruled by Satan. In this closed community, books that didn't conform to the sect's rules were banned, women were subservient to men and were made to dress modestly and cover their heads, and those who disobeyed the rules were punished and shamed. Yet Rebecca's father, Roger Stott, a high-ranking Brethren minister, was a man of contradictions: he preached that the Brethren should shun the outside world, yet he kept a radio in the trunk of his car and hid copies of Yeats and Shakespeare behind the Brethren ministries. Years later, when the Stotts broke with the Brethren after a scandal involving the cult's leader, Roger became an actor, filmmaker, and compulsive gambler who left the family penniless and ended up in jail. A curious child, Rebecca spent her insular childhood asking questions about the world and trying to glean the answers from forbidden library books. Only when she was an adult and her father was dying of cancer did she begin to understand all that had occurred during those harrowing years. It was then that Roger Stott handed her the memoir he had begun writing about the period leading up to what he referred to as the traumatic "Nazi decade," the years in the 1960s in which he and other Brethren leaders enforced coercive codes of behavior that led to the breaking apart of families, the shunning of members, even suicides. Now he was trying to examine that time, and his complicity in it, and he asked Rebecca to write about it, to expose all that was kept hidden. In the Days of Rain is Rebecca Stott's attempt to make sense of her childhood in the Exclusive Brethren, to understand her father's role in the cult and in the breaking apart of her family, and to come to be at peace with her relationship with a larger-than-life figure whose faults were matched by a passion for life, a thirst for knowledge, and a love of literature and beauty. A father-daughter story as well as a memoir of growing up in a closed-off community and then finding a way out of it, this is an inspiring and beautiful account of the bonds of family and the power of self-invention. Praise for In the Days of Rain "A marvelous, strange, terrifying book, somehow finding words both for the intensity of a childhood locked in a tyrannical secret world, and for the lifelong aftershocks of being liberated from it."—Francis Spufford, author of Golden Hill "Writers are forged in strange fires, but none stranger than Rebecca Stott's. By rights, her memoir of her father and her early childhood inside a closed fundamentalist sect obsessed by the Rapture ought to be a horror story. But while the historian in her is merciless in exposing the cruelties and corruption involved, Rebecca the child also lights up the book, existing in a world of vivid play, dreams, even nightmares, so passionate and imaginative that it helps explain how she survived, and—even more miraculously—found the compassion and understanding to do justice to the story of her father and the painful family life he created."—Sarah Dunant, author of The Birth of Venus

"Orla Cracken, IT whizz has disappeared. Detectives Rowan Jackman and Marie Evans soon suspect foul play. Cracken, known as Orac, is no ordinary techie; she was once a field agent traveling abroad undercover, working for the government. Meanwhile two urban explorers have mysteriously disappeared while out exploring abandoned buildings. One went missing at a disused airfield, but was it a military base, or was it civilian? The gruesome discovery of their decaying bodies in ancient church ruins bursts the case wide open, and Jackman and Evans are under pressure to find the killer. It soon becomes clear that the murderer is Darkwalker on Moonshae

Fen Runners

Wolves in Beowulf and Other Old English Texts

Book Three in the Series by Skye Smith

Crime on the Fens

Beowulf

Presents a new translation of the Anglo-Saxon epic chronicling the heroic adventures of Beowulf, the Scandinavian warrior who saves his people from the ravages of the monster Grendel and Grendel's mother.

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