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Fiction. One August morning while walking her dog, high-school English teacher Beatrice Ousterhout stumbles over the dead body of a student, Amber Inglin, who was to play the lead in Beatrice's production of John Webster's Jacobean tragedy, *The Duchess of Malfi*. Barely able to speak, Beatrice calls the police. That is to say, she calls her daughter. Jes is a detective with two years of experience under her belt and a personal life composed

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primarily of a string of one-night-stands, including the owner of the field in which Beatrice has found Amber. In addition to a house and a field, Child Services lawyer Liam Walsh owns a vineyard, where Amber Inglin, along with a handful of other teens who've had difficulty negotiating the foster system, was an intern. Set among the hills and lakes of upstate New York and told in six vibrantly distinct voices, this complex and original narrative chronicles the rippling effects of a young girl's death through a densely intertwined community. By turns funny, fierce, lyrical and

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horrifying, BIRDS OF WONDER probes family ties, the stresses that break them, and the pasts that never really let us go. The aim of this publication is simple - in a rational, scientifically robust way, it puts the spotlight on a Caribbean network of Internationally important biodiversity sites - "Important Bird Areas" (IBAs). In a region that is exceptionally rich in endemic birds, seabirds, waterbirds, and species already at risk of extinction, IBAs are an objective expression of which places in the Caribbean are the most important for these birds and why. By highlighting the

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significance of IBAs, the goal is to secure their long-term conservation - to ensure that these remnants of paradise are not lost. The Important Bird Area program in the Caribbean started in early 2001.

Inventories were compiled for the following countries and territories, and are presented in this IBA: Anguilla Antigua and Barbuda Aruba Bahamas Barbados Bermuda Bonaire British Virgin Islands Cayman Islands Cuba Curacao Dominica Dominican Republic Grenada Guadeloupe Haiti Jamaica Martinique Montserrat Navassa Puerto Rico Saba St Barthelemy St Eustatius St

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Islands US Virgin Islands The
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why. By highlighting the significance of IBAs, the goal is to secure their long-term conservation - to ensure that these remnants of paradise are not lost. "The layout of the book is extremely attractive - clear to follow, with excellent photographs, colour plates, and maps." - Peter G.H. Evans, IBIS - The Journal of the British Ornithologists' Union "All in all, this book is a tour de force, and all involved ... are to be congratulated on a most impressive conservation resource." - Peter G.H. Evans, IBIS - The Journal of the British Ornithologists' Union
In Spring Green, Wisconsin,

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spinster sisters Milly and Twiss have spent their lives listening to heartbeats and heartaches, nursing birds and the people who bring them back to health. Back in the summer of 1947, Milly and Twiss knew nothing about trying to mend what had been accidentally broken. Milly was known as a great beauty with emerald eyes and Twiss was a brazen wild child who never wore a dress or did what she was told. That was the summer their golf pro father had an accident that cost him both his swing and his charm, and their mother, the daughter of a wealthy jeweler, finally admitted that their

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hardscrabble lives wouldn't change. It was the summer their priest, Father Rice, announced that God didn't exist and ran off to Mexico, and a boy named Asa finally caught Milly's eye. Most unforgettably, it was also the summer their cousin Bett came down from a town called Deadwater and changed the course of their lives forever. Rebecca Rasmussen's masterful debut novel is full of hope and beauty, heartbreak and sacrifice, love and the power of sisterhood, offering wonderful surprises at every turn. Containing thousands of entries of both vernacular and

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scientific names of Great Plains plants, the literature that informs this exhaustive listing spans nearly 300 years. Author Elaine Nowick has drawn from sources as diverse as Linnaeus, Lewis and Clark, and local university extension publications to compile the gamut of practical, and often fanciful, common plant names used over the years. Each common name is accompanied by a definitive scientific name with references and authority information. Interspersed with scientifically-correct botanical line drawings, the entries are written in standard ICBN format, making this a useful

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volume for scholars as well as lay enthusiasts alike. Volume 1 presents, in alphabetical order, all the historical common names of plants recorded in Great Plains flora, herbaria, and botanical collections, together with the scientific names of species to which those common names have been applied.

Historical Common Names of
Great Plains Plants Volume I:
Historical Names (paperback)

How to Find Love in a
Bookshop

Among the Thorns

40 Things I Want To Tell You

Important Bird Areas in the
Caribbean

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A reimagining of the story behind Agent 355--a New York society girl and spy for George Washington during the Revolutionary War--perfect for fans of Julie Berry's *The Lovely War*. Rebellious Frannie Tasker knows little about the war between England and its thirteen colonies in 1776, until a shipwreck off her home in Grand Bahama Island presents an unthinkable opportunity. The body of a young woman floating in the sea gives Frannie the chance to escape her brutal

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stepfather--and she takes it. Assuming the identity of the drowned Emmeline Coates, Frannie is rescued by a British merchant ship and sails with the crew to New York. For the next three years, Frannie lives a lie as Miss Coates, swept up in a courtship by a dashing British lieutenant. But after witnessing the darker side of the war, she realizes that her position gives her power. Soon she's eavesdropping on British officers, risking everything to pass information on to George

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Washington's Culper spy ring as agent 355. Frannie believes in the fight for American liberty--but what will it cost her? Inspired by the true "355" and rich in historical detail and intrigue, this is the story of an unlikely New York society girl turned an even unlikelier spy. Meet the heroine everyone's talking about . . . Fiercely resilient and impeccably dressed, Veronica McCreedy has lived an incredible 87 years. Most of them alone, in her huge house by the sea. But Veronica has

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recently discovered a late-life love for family and friendship, adventure and wildlife. More

specifically, a love for penguins! And so when she's invited to co-present a wildlife documentary, far away in the southern hemisphere, she jumps at the chance. Even though it will put her in the spotlight, just when she thought she would soon fade into the wings. Perhaps it's never too late to shine?

Here is a book as joyous and painful, as mysterious and memorable, as

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childhood itself. I Know
Why the Caged Bird Sings
captures the longing of
lonely children, the brute
insult of bigotry, and the
wonder of words that can
make the world right. Maya
Angelou's debut memoir is
a modern American classic
beloved worldwide. Sent by
their mother to live with
their devout, self-
sufficient grandmother in
a small Southern town,
Maya and her brother,
Bailey, endure the ache of
abandonment and the
prejudice of the local
"powhitetrash." At eight
years old and back at her

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mother's side in St.

Louis, Maya is attacked by a man many times her age—and has to live with the consequences for a lifetime. Years later, in San Francisco, Maya learns that love for herself, the kindness of others, her own strong spirit, and the ideas of great authors (“I met and fell in love with William Shakespeare”) will allow her to be free instead of imprisoned. Poetic and powerful, I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings will touch hearts and change minds for as long as people read. “I

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Know Why the Caged Bird Sings liberates the reader into life simply because Maya Angelou confronts her own life with such a moving wonder, such a luminous dignity."—James Baldwin From the Paperback edition.

Tattooing might have once been Liam's passion, but he left it all behind along with ugly memories when he went to college. When his uncle's health fails, Liam must come home at last to say his goodbyes. His days are spent at the hospice, leaving his nights to rake

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over the past. To fill those empty hours, he takes a job at Great Sin Ink. The close knit friendship of the workers there both intrigues and shakes Liam, who has spent the last four years keeping everyone at arm's length. Neither Deb, the no-nonsense piercer, nor Goose, a manic tattoo artist, will let Liam get away with his isolationist ways for long. If it were just those two, Liam might have stood a chance -- but there's also Ace, the owner of Great Sin. He hires Liam despite a thin

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resume, and that is a kindness Liam can't forget. The two start up a tentative friendship, learning about each other as the summer days melt into each other. Slowly, Liam reveals a tender heart underneath the wall of quotes he uses to keep everyone out.

Unfortunately, life doesn't stand still, and both Liam and Ace have hard struggles before them that might break them up before they can even get together.

I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings

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Science-gossip

Hardwicke's Science-gossip

When We Were Birds

An Illustrated Monthly

Record of Nature, Country

Lore & Applied Science

The new heartwarming story

from the No.1 bestselling

author of Away with the

Penguins

*Hear the songs and learn about
12 of North America's woodland
birds. Being able to identify a
bird's song is a skill that brings
joy and fosters an appreciation of
nature. Some bird songs are
distinctive and easily recognized,
like the common loon and wild
turkey. Hawks as a group are
distinctive but the individual
species vary, as do the owls.*

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Picking up the songs of a Black-capped Chickadee and a White-breasted Nuthatch, however, is not easy. That is where this enchanting book comes into its own. The Little Book of Woodland Bird Songs features recordings of twelve bird songs from some of the best-known woodland species seen and heard in North America. It is an interactive board book that is ideal for curious young readers. The sturdy pages are easy to turn and the twelve song buttons, each with a portrait of the bird, are easy to activate. The high-quality sound module is encased in durable plastic and the one-inch (3-cm) speaker makes it easy to hear and differentiate the elements of the bird's song, such

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as pitch, tempo and trills.

Beautiful lifelike illustrations aid in identifying the birds and a descriptive paragraph and facts panel provide information such as the time of day the bird is likely to sing, what it eats, behavior traits and how it constructs its nest. All twelve birds have winter or summer ranges in the United States or Canada. This means that readers are sure to see most if not all the birds in at least one season over the year. Red Crossbill Sharpshinned Hawk Hermit Thrush Blue-gray Gnatcatcher Black-capped Chickadee Purple Finch Common Loon Barred Owl Red-eyed Vireo Wild Turkey White-breasted Nuthatch Downy Woodpecker. Birds can be hard

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to spot at the best of times and never more so than in the woods. Once you learn to recognize these bird sounds, a walk through the forest will never be the same. This partner to The Little Book of Backyard Bird Songs is sure to become another family favorite.

When I wake up in the middle of the night, it's not a sound that disturbs me. It's a feeling. Silently, I creep to my daughter's room, breathing a sigh of relief when I see her sleeping, her night-light twirling, butterfly shapes moving their pink wings. Quickly, I lock the door. I won't let anything happen to my little girl. You tell him everything. The husband you adore, the father of your child, your best friend. He

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knows, just by looking at your sage-green eyes, when something is wrong. The two of you can communicate with a glance, or a touch of the hand. Except what if you can't? What if your happy marriage has plastered over one huge lie? A lie you have even started to believe yourself, in order to survive? What if you have a secret, something you have hidden from your beloved husband and your strawberry-scented baby girl, to keep them safe? What if the guilt has kept you up, night after night, for as long as you can remember? Because, after twenty-eight years, that secret is refusing to stay buried. The past you have tried so desperately to outrun is catching up with you. A faded

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photograph, torn in half, threatens to expose the truth and everyone you love, everything you cherish, is in harm's way... An emotional, thought-provoking and beautifully written novel which examines the pieces of ourselves we are afraid of, and the impossible decisions we make when we are desperate. Fans of Jodi Picoult, Kerry Fisher and Liane Moriarty will be moved by this heartbreaking tale. Readers absolutely love The Life She Left Behind: 'Oh my... This was literally "un-put-downable" ... This was not a book I could read chapter by chapter and take breaks in between, I NEEDED to keep going!... I know I will be thinking about this story for days... Amazing.' NetGalley

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Reviewer, [REDACTED] 'What a fantastic book!! I absolutely loved it, and it is hands down the best book I've read this year so far... Amazing... I couldn't recommend it more highly. Now I'm off to buy several more of Trope's books to get stuck in to.' My Little Bookcase, [REDACTED] 'Wow oh wow, what an absolutely gorgeous read. I devoured this beautiful book in just over an hour... I adored the writing style in this one, the author writes elegantly and in a way that just pulls you into the pages. I cannot say anything negative about this book, I have been truly engrossed and shocked by how quickly I read this one. I didn't want to put it down. This is definitely a beautiful read by a very talented

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author.' Goodreads Reviewer, [REDACTED] 'Loved this book! Very emotional! Read it in 1 sitting! Reading through the Looking Glass, [REDACTED] 'A highly emotional read that had me hooked from the start. This is another fantastic book by Nicole Trope!' Goodreads Reviewer, [REDACTED] 'Once I started this book, I couldn't put it down. It was that good. It was definitely emotional, and left me guessing until the end.' The One Where She Blogs, [REDACTED] 'Page 1, I was hooked and couldn't put the book down... So enthralling.' Goodreads Reviewer, [REDACTED] 'Loved it!... This is my third book by this author and they have all struck gold!... As soon as I picked it up, everything around me faded to

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grey... The author is a great storyteller and she enchanted me.' B for Bookreview, [5 stars! Nicole Trope continues to be one of my favourite authors! While her books aren't often easy to read due to their content, I'm always left amazed at her ability to tell a story so well... Very gripping and I found myself race through it. I think this one will stay with me for a while.'

Goodreads Reviewer, [5 stars] 'Superbly written... Well worthy of 5 stars.' Goodreads Reviewer, [5 stars] 'Wow what an emotional book a rollercoaster of emotions... Definitely my number one book of the year.' NetGalley Reviewer, [5 stars]

(ePub) Heroes get paid. Firemen, policemen, people such as those,

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right? Even when they are not heroes all the time. What about a Super-hero? Forget fictional ones, this is about James Thomas. Jim. A real one. And possibly the only Super-hero in the world, and on the headline.

'My name is Ronnie Thompson. Being a prison officer was something I used to be proud of. I soon realised the truth of what it's like working as a screw, though. It's a fucking headache. Corruption, danger, violence. Welcome to my world.' Ronnie Thompson was just an ordinary guy. That is, until he became a prison officer. By the time he started work at HMP Romwell, he realised he was actually a nurse, a copper, a probation officer, a carer, a counsellor, a

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social worker and, of course, an incarcerator all in one. Oh, and a punch bag for the cons and bosses. In SCREWED, Ronnie tells it like it is. He reveals what really goes on behind bars - the times when force is necessary and used, and when it is unnecessary but still used. He exposes the underworld of bent screws, the drugs they traffic, the firms they work for and what they get paid for their sins. He shows how it is left down to a small group of officers to control an over-flowing prison, keep an eye out for corrupt govenors, and dodge the deluded human rights campaigners. Ultimately, he shows us that being a good screw doesn't always mean sticking to the rules...

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Call of the Penguins

*An absolutely gripping and
heartbreaking page turner*

Bird in a Box

Away with the Penguins

*The Little Book of Woodland Bird
Songs*

Forest and Stream

**Both of sixteen-year-old Cammi's
parents are stars in Mexico, but
everything changes when her
mother accepts a role in an
American sitcom.**

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Years Inside as a Female Prison
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**“Absolutely delightful.” —People
The enchanting story of a
bookshop, its grieving owner, a
supportive literary community, and**

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the extraordinary power of books to heal the heart Nightingale Books, nestled on the main street in an idyllic little village, is a dream come true for book lovers—a cozy haven and welcoming getaway for the literary-minded locals. But owner Emilia Nightingale is struggling to keep the shop open after her beloved father's death, and the temptation to sell is getting stronger. The property developers are circling, yet Emilia's loyal customers have become like family, and she can't imagine breaking the promise she made to her father to keep the store alive. There's Sarah, owner of the stately Peasebrook Manor, who has used the bookshop as an escape in the past few years, but it now seems there's a very specific reason for all those

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frequent visits. Next is roguish Jackson, who, after making a complete mess of his marriage, now looks to Emilia for advice on books for the son he misses so much. And the forever shy Thomasina, who runs a pop-up restaurant for two in her tiny cottage—she has a crush on a man she met in the cookbook section, but can hardly dream of working up the courage to admit her true feelings. Enter the world of Nightingale Books for a serving of romance, long-held secrets, and unexpected hopes for the future—and not just within the pages on the shelves. How to Find Love in a Bookshop is the delightful story of Emilia, the unforgettable cast of customers whose lives she has touched, and the books they all cherish.

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Amy (a.k.a. Bird) seems to have the perfect life: loving parents, a hot boyfriend, the best friend ever. She even writes an online advice column, full of Top Tips, to help other teens take control of their lives. But after a new guy shows up at school, Bird can't seem to follow her own wisdom. Pete is the consummate bad boy. He's everything Bird is not: wild, unambitious and more than a little dangerous. Although she knows he's trouble, Bird can't stay away. And the more drawn she is to Pete, the more cracks are revealed in her relationship with Griffin, her doting boyfriend. Meanwhile, her parents' marriage is also fracturing, possibly for good. Bird is way out of her comfort zone. All it takes is one mistake, one momentary loss of

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control, for her entire future to be
blown away . . .

Rebel Spy

Be Light Like a Bird

Archie's Girls Betty & Veronica #43

Hand-Rearing Birds

Official Gazette of the United States

Patent and Trademark Office

Is It a Bird? Is It a Plane?

*This book presents a
detailed guide to hand-
rearing techniques for
raising young birds,
providing complete coverage
of a wide variety of avian
species and taxonomic groups
for all avian care
professionals. Chapters are
written by expert
rehabilitation, aviculture,
and zoo professionals, and
include useful references*

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and bibliographies for further reading and research. Each chapter provides valuable information on appropriate intervention, housing, feeding, and care. *Hand-Rearing Birds, Second Edition* presents 50 chapters, including 12 new chapters on species or groups of species not featured in the previous edition. It also features color photographs that help illustrate many concepts pertinent to birds. This important reference: Offers a detailed guide to hand-rearing techniques including species-specific guides to caring for and raising young

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birds Covers a wide variety
of avian species and
taxonomic groups Discusses
how to examine a chick to
identify problems such as
hypothermia, dehydration,
injuries, and common
diseases, and what to do
Combines information on the
science and skill needed to
successfully hand-rear birds
Presents full-color
photographs throughout *Hand-
Rearing Birds, Second
Edition* is an essential
resource for avian
rehabilitators, breeders,
veterinarians, and zoo
staff.

Australian Women's Weekly
GREAT READ for August

'Prepare to immerse yourself

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*in wonder, childish delight
and dark, dark trauma in
this unique novel from a new
and important Australian
literary voice' Australian
Women's Weekly 'Every so
often a book comes along
that reaffirms the glory and
beauty of life. Tabitha Bird
has gifted us this wonder'
Cass Moriarty Meet Willa
Waters, aged 8 . . . 33 . .
. and 93. On one impossible
day in 1965, eight-year-old
Willa receives a mysterious
box containing a jar of
water and the instruction:
'One ocean: plant in the
backyard.' So she does - and
somehow creates an
extraordinary time slip that
allows her to visit her*

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future selves. On one impossible day in 1990, Willa is 33 and a mother-of-two when her childhood self magically appears in her backyard. But she's also a woman haunted by memories of her dark past - and is on the brink of a decision that will have tragic repercussions . . . On one impossible day in 2050, Willa is a silver-haired, gumboot-loving 93-year-old whose memory is fading fast. Yet she knows there's something she has to remember, a warning she must give her past selves about a terrible event in 1990. If only she could recall what it was. Can the three Willas

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come together, to heal their past and save their future, before it's too late? 'A magical tale of healing . . . it's sure to cast a spell over readers' Mindfood magazine 'A wonderful debut . . . An uplifting story about the power of forgiveness, the ability to heal and the magical idea of being able to travel back in time to fix a broken future.' Good Reading Magazine 'A courageous and magical debut novel that reminds us that while we can't change events from our past, we do have the power to change the story we tell ourselves about them.' Sally Piper

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Twelve-year-old Wren tackles issues ranging from peer pressure to bullying, while she and her mother struggle to build a new life after the death of her father.

Among the Thorns, by Veronica Schanoes, is a dark fantasy taking place in seventeenth century Germany, about a young woman who is intent on avenging the brutal murder of her peddler father many years earlier, by a vagabond with a magic fiddle. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

The Go-between

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If Birds Fly Back

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Autobiography of a Cockney

Kid

Otis, Willie, and Hibernia are three children with a lot in common: they've all lost a loved one, they each have secret dreams, and they won't stop fighting for what they want. And they're also a lot like their hero, famed boxer Joe Louis. Throughout this moving novel, their lives gradually converge to form friendship, family, and love. Their trials and triumphs echo those of Joe Louis, as he fights to become the heavyweight boxing champion. Andrea Pinkney

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masterfully weaves in factual information about Joe Louis and actual radio commentary from his fights, enriching the narrative of this uniquely rendered and beautifully written novel.

A sparkling debut about love, family, and the mysteries of the universe, perfect for fans of Jandy Nelson and Nicola Yoon. Linny has kept a journal of famous disappearances ever since her sister Grace ran away in the middle of the night. Sebastian is an aspiring astrophysicist with a working theory for everything—but the one thing he can't figure out is the identity of his birth father. They haven't met—yet—but Linny and

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Sebastian have one thing in common: an obsession with famous novelist and filmmaker Àlvaro Herrera, who who went missing three years ago and has just reappeared. As their lives converge around the mystery of Àlvaro, they begin to uncover the answers they 've been looking for. With humor and heart, debut author Carlie Sorosiak weaves a story of searching for those who leave—and loving those who stay. "If Birds Fly Back feels like that last hazy, sun-drenched summer of high school, when you know you'll need to find your place in the world, but you're busy laughing and falling in love under starlit skies. It's the rarest author who can

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pull off laugh-out-loud hilarious, profound, and breathlessly romantic, all in the most sparkling prose. That shortlist includes Rainbow Rowell, Nicola Yoon, and now, Carlie Sorosiak." —Jeff Zentner, acclaimed author of *The Serpent King* and *Goodbye Days*

A mythic love story set in Trinidad, Ayanna Lloyd Banwo's radiant debut is a masterwork of lush imagination and exuberant storytelling—a spellbinding and hopeful novel about inheritance, loss, and love's seismic power to heal. “ Heartwarming and heartbreaking, fantastical and familiar, with characters that burrow their way into your heart and mind with their tragedies and

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triumphs, When We Were Birds more than sings, more than beams. It is the kind of story that makes you want to spread your arms open wide, embrace the sky, and take flight in your own little way."—Robert Jones, Jr., New York Times bestselling author of *The Prophets* "A searing symphony of magic and loss, love and hope, where in the middle of death, love comes shiny, sparkling and alive. This book might just heal you."—Marlon James, New York Times bestselling author of *Black Leopard, Red Wolf* In the old house on a hill, where the city meets the rainforest, Yejide ' s mother is dying. She is leaving behind a legacy that now passes to Yejide:

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one St Bernard woman in every generation has the power to shepherd the city ' s souls into the afterlife. But after years of suffering her mother ' s neglect and bitterness, Yejide is looking for a way out. Raised in the countryside by a devout Rastafarian mother, Darwin has always abided by the religious commandment not to interact with death. He has never been to a funeral, much less seen a dead body. But when the only job he can find is grave digging, he must betray the life his mother built for him in order to provide for them both. Newly shorn of his dreadlocks and his past, and determined to prove himself,

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Darwin finds himself adrift in a city electric with possibility and danger. Yejide and Darwin will meet inside the gates of Fidelis, an ancient and sprawling cemetery, where the dead lie uneasy in their graves and a reckoning with fate beckons them both.

Ornithologist Laura Erickson combines her bird expertise with a touch of romance writing in this exploration of the courtship and mating rituals of 35 bird species, from the tiny ruby-throated hummingbird to the mighty great blue heron.

Trademarks

The Love Lives of Birds

How the Penguins Saved Veronica

The Burgess Animal Book for

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An Illustrated Medium of
Interchange and Gossip for
Students and Lovers of Nature
Birds of Wonder

Mercer Buddie wants two things in this world: a girlfriend and the chance to prove to his master falconer father that he's not a flake. With hunting season fast approaching, fourteen-year-old Mercer has only a short time to work with Flip, a red-tailed hawk he irreverently named to show his dad that falconers don't have to be so serious all the time. When

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Mercer meets Lucy, he falls hard for her gorgeous looks and bubbly personality. He thinks his love life is about to take flight, until he discovers that Lucy and her family belong to a fanatical animal-rights organization called HALT—a group that believes imposing any sort of restrictions on animals is a form of cruelty.

Mercer soon realizes that if he wants to keep seeing Lucy, he'll need to keep his love of falconry and his family's raptor rehabilitation center a secret from her, and

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*Lucy's involvement with
HALT from his family. With
humor and honesty,
Mercer's story shows how
growing up means making
difficult choices...and
sometimes, being rewarded
in unexpected ways.*

*This Autobiography was
written at the insistence
of a daughter who was
curious about my life .*

*Far from a dreadful
childhood I laughed as I
wrote it, - realizing it
was ripe with the richness
of the ever-cheery*

*Cockney. Born in London
opposite the Houses of
Parliament I was the last*

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of 16 children. Poverty and war; evacuation; my home destroyed; war work where the first jet engines were flown and refueling in flight invented. Seven brothers, my father, and my husband whod served aboard RMS Venus on those horrendous Russian Convoys in U-boat-infested waters, all had served King and Country. My husband never got over living at fever pitch. We emigrated to Canada and New Zealand, finally to California. Settled now in the Santa Clarita Valley with my second husband, I

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have been a docent for 26 years at the Los Angeles Zoo touring school children; visiting schools to show slides on the plight of endangered animals; reading to children at a local school; attending college classes and ongoing programs at the local Senior Center. Our children and grandchildren live close by; 24 around the Christmas table keeps us all happily connected. Attending Tai Chi classes with my husband, I took up playing the piano four years ago. I keep busy

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singing with a Senior group, writing stories, knitting and crocheting. Together we have travelled much of the globe. I hope the reader will find parallels of his own. Life is never as bad as we think!

Olympia Crawford Rubinstein has a busy legal career, a solid marriage, and a way of managing her thriving family with grace, humor, and boundless energy. With twin daughters finishing high school, a son at Dartmouth, and a kindergartner from her

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second marriage, there seems to be no challenge to which Olympia cannot rise. Until one sunny day in May, when she opens an invitation for her daughters to attend the most exclusive coming-out ball in New York—and chaos erupts all around her. One twin's excitement is balanced by the other's outrage; her previous husband's profound snobbism is in sharp contrast to her current husband's flat refusal to attend. For Olympia's husband, Harry, whose parents survived the

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Holocaust, the idea of a blue-blood debutante ball is abhorrent. Her daughter Veronica, a natural-born rebel, agrees— while Veronica's identical twin, Virginia, is already shopping for the perfect dress. Then there's Olympia's ex, an insufferable snob, who sees the ball as the perfect opportunity for a family feud. And amid all the hubbub, Olympia's college-age son, Charlie, is facing a turning point in his life—and may need his mother more than ever. But despite it all,

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Olympia is determined to steer her family through the event until, just days before the cotillion, things begin to unravel with alarming speed. From a son's crisis to a daughter's heartbreak, from a case of the chicken pox to a political debate raging in her household, Olympia is on the verge of surrender. And that is when, in a series of startling choices and changes of heart, family, friends, and even a blue-haired teenager all find a way to turn a night of calamity into an evening

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of magic. As old wounds are healed, barriers are shattered and new traditions are born, and a debutante ball becomes a catalyst for change, revelation, acceptance, and love. In a novel that is by turns profound, poignant, moving, and warmly funny, Danielle Steel tells the story of an extraordinary family—finding new ways of letting go, stepping up, and coming out...in the ways that matter most. "Betty & Veronica star in their first comic book series! Take a trip back

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to the earliest days of Archie Comics as Betty Cooper and Veronica Lodge show the town of Riverdale who's really in charge! Prepare to experience the original Betty and Veronica with stories like "Fickle Father", "Mask-Mer-Aid" and more!

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*attitudes that may be
represented as offensive
today. The stories are
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harrowing" historical saga
of three generations of
German immigrants to the
Midwest (Minneapolis Star
Tribune). "Set in the 1860s***

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and '70s, Maltman's superb debut evokes a Midwest lacerated by clashes between European and Native American, slaveowner and abolitionist, killer and healer, nature and culture. Asa Senger, a lonely 14-year-old boy, is at first wary when his father's sister, Hazel, arrives at his parents' Minnesota home after a long stay in a faraway asylum, but he comes to cherish the mysterious Hazel's warmth and company. Through her stories, Asa learns of his family's bitter past: the lore

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and dreams of their German forebears, their place in the bitter divide over slavery and, most complex of all, the bond between Hazel and the Dakotan warrior Wanikiya that deepens despite the violence between their peoples. Maltman excels at giving even his most harrowing scenes an understated realism and at painting characters who are richly, sometimes disturbingly, human. The novel sustains its tension right to the moment it ends.”

—Publishers Weekly, starred

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review “We all set our sights on the Great American Novel . . . [Thomas Maltman] comes impressively close to laying his hands on the grail.” —The Boston Globe Triumph in the face of adversity for an abused woman who became the UK's first female prison governor.

Introduces the habits and characteristics of many of the North American mammals through a fictitious story.

A curmudgeonly but charming old woman, her estranged grandson, and a

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colony of penguins proves it's never too late to be the person you want to be in this rich, heartwarming story from the acclaimed author of Ellie and the Harpmaker. Eighty-five-year-old Veronica McCreedy is estranged from her family and wants to find a worthwhile cause to leave her fortune to. When she sees a documentary about penguins being studied in Antarctica, she tells the scientists she's coming to visit—and won't take no for an answer. Shortly after arriving, she convinces the

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reluctant team to rescue an orphaned baby penguin. He becomes part of life at the base, and Veronica's closed heart starts to open. Her grandson, Patrick, comes to Antarctica to make one last attempt to get to know his grandmother. Together, Veronica, Patrick, and even the scientists learn what family, love, and connection are all about.

The Bird Sisters

Screwed

Veronica's Bird

Stories Beneath Our Skin

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Days

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AS HEARD ON THE BBC RADIO 2
BOOK CLUB 'This year's Eleanor
Oliphant . . . Funny, bittersweet and
wholly original.' Daily Express Veronica
McCreedy is about to have the journey of
a lifetime . . . Veronica McCreedy lives in
a mansion by the sea. She loves a nice cup
of Darjeeling tea whilst watching a good
wildlife documentary. And she's never
seen without her ruby-red lipstick.
Although these days Veronica is rarely
seen by anyone because, at 85, her days
are spent mostly at home, alone. She can
be found either collecting litter from the
beach ('people who litter the countryside
should be shot'), trying to locate her
glasses ('someone must have moved them')
or shouting instructions to her assistant,
Eileen ('Eileen, door!'). Veronica doesn't
have family or friends nearby. Not that she
knows about, anyway . . . And she has no

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idea where she's going to leave her considerable wealth when she dies. But today . . . today Veronica is going to make a decision that will change all of this. 'I love this gorgeous book. Unflinching, stubborn, funny and moving, Veronica is an unlikely heroine who will sneak in and capture your heart.' Trisha Ashley

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