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A Message from Kate Parkin, Managing Director of Adult Trade Publishing

I am delighted to present the first fiction and non-fiction rights guides from the unified Bonnier Books UK Adult Trade division. The rights we have on offer range from serious non-fiction to true crime and from literary fiction to historical thrillers, reflecting ambitious growth plans in what is only our second year as a fully-fledged publisher. With the bestseller lists in 2019 confirming our reputation as the home of focused publishing, we are looking forward to another year of success in 2020 for our talented and dedicated authors.

Just over a year ago we merged our fiction and non-fiction businesses and are already seeing the benefit of shared experiences. Blink's *Sunday Times* bestsellers so far include SAS soldier Ollie Ollerton's memoir *Break Point*, Bob Mortimer and Paul Whitehouse's hilarious disquisition on life, death and the thrill of the catch *Gone Fishing*, the chilling *Inside Broadmoor* by Jonathan Levi and most recently Andrew Lownie's acclaimed biography *The Mountbattens: Their Lives and Loves*. This autumn we look forward to Jenson Button's *How to be an F1 Driver*, the tie-in book to the much anticipated new series of *The Crown*, the *Royal Geographical Society's Puzzle Book* and an inspiring collection of *Letter to My Younger Self* from some of the most significant figures of our age, including Desmond Tutu, Paul McCartney and Mo Farah, published in conjunction with the Big Issue.

John Blake Publishing maintains its position as the number one publisher of true crime with *Sunday Times* bestseller *Manhunt* by former detective Colin Sutton, and forthcoming books from Christopher Berry-Dee and Cass Pennant. Autumn highlights include world speedway champion Tai Woffinden's long-awaited autobiography *Raw Speed*, the real history behind the popular TV series *Peaky Blinders* and *My Brother, Muhammad Ali*, the untold story of the world's greatest prize-fighter by his brother, Rahaman.

While firmly committed to publishing the very best of commercial non-fiction, 2019 marks a widening of our range of titles, and in 2020 we will mark the launch of our new imprint, Manilla Press. Named for Nedre Manilla, the country home of the Bonnier family, a monument to their tradition as patrons of the arts, Manilla Press will publish no more than eight books a year across both fiction and non-fiction, each chosen to reflect stories of our time. Our launch list includes *The Foundling*, Stacey Hall's astonishing follow-up novel to *The Familiars*, and, also in February, the defining book on the climate crisis: *The Future We Choose* by Christiana Figueres and Tom Rivett-Carnac, key players behind the Paris Climate Accord. Backed by a landmark marketing campaign, *The Future We Choose* offers a passionate and optimistic vision of a sustainable world. A rallying cry of unparalleled importance, all of us at Bonnier Books UK are proud to be part of its global message.

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SMART-THINKING & POPULAR SCIENCE



The Power of Not Thinking

How Your Body Learns and Why You Should Trust It

Simon Roberts



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304 pp, TPB

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Oliver Holden-Rea

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A fascinating insight into the various ways in which the human body absorbs information – and why we should trust the instincts this informs.

Have you ever held out your hand and used your fingers to remember your pin?

Have you ever had a physical response to a decision you have to make?

Have you ever forgotten how to ride a bike?

In this unique new book, social and business anthropologist Simon Roberts looks at the pivotal role that our body plays in how we learn, and reminds us of why we should learn to listen to it more often.

Drawing upon an incredible range of cutting-edge science, real-life examples and personal experience, Roberts explores the complexity of even the simplest of tasks that humans perform every day and looks at how, with a greater awareness of the processes at work, we can tap into our full potential and excel in any area of our lives.

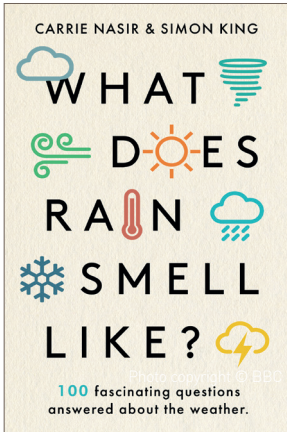
We have been told that machine learning is the future and that AI will soon make all of our choices for us but, as Roberts proves, humans are far more capable than we have been led to believe.

SIMON ROBERTS is one the world's leading Business Anthropologists. He works with and advises some of the largest global organisations, including Intel, Facebook, P&G, Google and many other Fortune 500 companies. In 2002, he established the UK's first dedicated ethnographic research company and was 'ethnographer in residence' at The Work Foundation's iSociety programme. He now runs his own consultancy – Stripe Partners, and before this worked at Intel and the Cabinet Office. He writes and speaks widely on research, innovation and strategy and has published many articles, book chapters and popular blog posts. His work has been covered by the likes of the *Financial Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, BBC Radio 4, and *The Telegraph*.

What Does Rain Smell Like?

100 Fascinating Questions on the Wild Ways of the Weather

Clare Nasir and Simon King



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Discover the captivating science behind the most curious weather questions, from two expert meteorologists.

Can a raindrop ever dry out?

Does the sun actually keep us warm?

Why do we fly into hurricanes?

Can we engineer the weather to save the planet?

Meteorologists Simon King and Clare Nasir reveal the captivating ways the weather works, from exploring incredible weather phenomena (how are rainbows formed?), expertly breaking down our knowledge of the elements (could we harness the power of lightning?) to explaining the significance of weather in history (has the weather ever started a war?) and importantly discussing the future of weather (could climate modification save the planet?).

In *What Does Rain Smell Like?* Simon and Clare uncover the thrilling science behind a subject that affects us all. They unearth and analyse all aspects of the weather and how it changes our lives through answering all of our most burning questions about the world around us.

CLARE NASIR is a Meteorologist and has presented the weather on GMTV, ITV, Channel 5 and the BBC. With over 20 years of weather forecast experience, Clare has also co-presented the acclaimed documentary series *Fierce Earth* for CBBC, written a regular weather-related column for The Huffington Post and earlier this year co-presented with Simon King the BBC podcast *Under the Weather*.

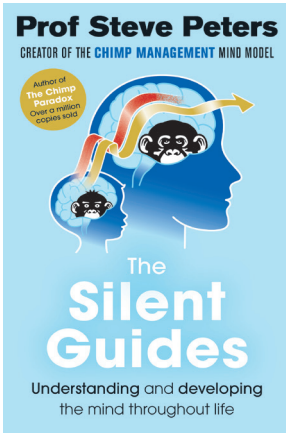
SIMON KING is a Meteorologist and Royal Air Force officer. He studied Environmental Science of the Earth and Atmosphere and Applied Science at the University of Reading. Simon joined the Met Office in 2005 and after his training was deployed for duty to the Middle East where he presented the weather forecasts to the RAF and Army. He now presents the weather for Radio 5.

PROFESSOR STEVE PETERS

The Silent Guides

Understanding and Developing The Mind Throughout Life

Professor Steve Peters



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320 pp, PB

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The new book from the creator of the Chimp Management Mind Model and author of the million copy selling *The Chimp Paradox*.

During our childhood we learn to manage emotions and thinking by developing coping strategies. These strategies, whether helpful or unhelpful, often progress into habits for life. Helpful habits can give many advantages in life. Unhelpful habits that persist into adult life usually bring stress and can be detrimental to our day-to-day functioning, psychological health and relationships.

This book has two themes:

- To help adults to consider and understand where some of their unhealthy or destructive habits might have come from, and then offer ways to replace them with healthy and constructive habits.
- To offer ideas and support to parents, teachers or carers that could help children to form healthy or constructive habits and prevent unhealthy or destructive habits from developing.

The book explores the neuroscience and psychological aspects of habit formation and related topics in an easy to understand way. It then offers practical ideas and thoughts for the reader to reflect on.

Examples of unhelpful habits that can be changed include:

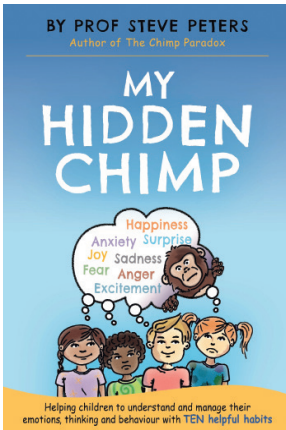
- Being overly self-critical
- Fear of failure and unforgiving perfectionism
- Worrying excessively or overreacting to situations
- Living with low self-esteem

Examples of helpful habits include:

- Having a positive outlook
- Managing negative emotions
- The ability to get over mistakes
- Stopping procrastination

My Hidden Chimp

Helping Children to Understand and Manage Their Emotions, Thinking and Behaviour with 10 Helpful Habits
Professor Steve Peters



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The new book from the creator of the chimp management mind model and author of the million copy selling *The Chimp Paradox*.

Learn how TEN habits can help children to understand and manage their emotions and behaviour - the new book from the creator of the Chimp Management Mind Model and author of the million copy selling *The Chimp Paradox*.

My Hidden Chimp is an effective and powerful new educational book that offers parents, teachers and carers some ideas and thoughts on how to help children to develop healthy habits for life. The science behind the habits is discussed in a practical way with exercises and activities to help children think the habits through and start putting them into practice. The neuroscience of the mind is simplified for children to understand and then use to their advantage.

Written as a companion to *The Silent Guides*, these two interconnected books tackle how we can best manage our minds from childhood and into adulthood.

Professor Steve Peters explains neuroscience in a straightforward and intuitive way offering up 10 simple habits that we as adults and children should have in our arsenal to deal with everyday life.

They include:

- Smiling
- The importance of talking through your feelings
- Learning how to say sorry
- Knowing how to ask for help

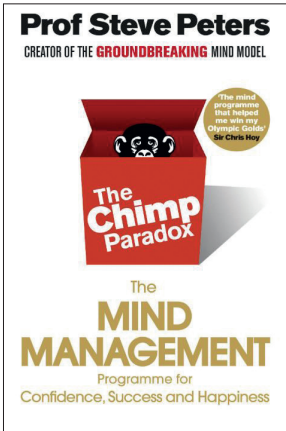
By also explaining the developing 'chimp' brain in children, he shows us how 10 habits can help children to understand and manage their emotions and behaviour. These 10 habits should and can be retained for life.

This is an important groundbreaking new book from the bestselling author of *The Chimp Paradox* and the creator of the Chimp Management Mind Model.

The Chimp Paradox

The Mind Management Programme for Confidence, Success and Happiness

Professor Steve Peters



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The one million copy bestselling book to achieve confidence, success and happiness.

The Chimp Paradox is an incredibly powerful mind management model that can help you become a happy, confident, healthier and more successful person. Prof. Steve Peters explains the struggle that takes place within your mind and then shows how to apply this understanding to every area of your life so you can:

- Recognise how your mind is working
- Understand and manage your emotions and thoughts
- Manage yourself and become the person you would like to be

The Chimp Mind Management Model is based on scientific facts and principles, which have been simplified into a workable model for easy use. It will help you to develop yourself and give you the skills, for example, to remove anxiety, have confidence and choose your emotions. The book will do this by giving you an understanding of the way in which your mind works and how you can manage it. It will also help you to identify what is holding you back or preventing you from having a happier and more successful life.

Each chapter explains different aspects of how you function and highlights key facts for you to understand. There are also exercises for you to work with. By undertaking these exercises you will see immediate improvements in your daily living and, over time, you will develop emotional skills and practical habits that will help you to become the person that you want to be, and live the life that you want to live.

PROFESSOR STEVE PETERS is a consultant psychiatrist and has worked in the clinical field of psychiatry for over 20 years. He specialises in optimising the functioning of the mind and also holds degrees in mathematics and medicine. Prof. Peters is Undergraduate Dean at Sheffield University Medical School and resident psychiatrist with Sky ProCycling. He is also the consultant psychiatrist for Liverpool FC and, from May 2014, for the England football team. Steven Gerrard, Sir Chris Hoy, Sir Bradley Wiggins, Ronnie O'Sullivan, Victoria Pendleton and Craig Bellamy have all spoken publicly about how Prof. Peters' unique model has helped them improve their performance. Outside of elite sport, Prof. Peters works with CEOs, senior executives, students, hospital staff and patients, helping them to understand why they think and act as they do and how to manage their minds to optimise their performance at work and in their personal lives.

WELLBEING & SELF-DEVELOPMENT

10 Rules for Talking

How To Have Successful Conversations in an Angry World

Dr Tim Harkness



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Welcome to a new way of talking in a world where everyone is shouting but nobody is listening.

It's nothing new that in the age of Brexit and Trump, we don't all agree. But what is noticeable is the fact that we can't seem to move our disagreements forward. We have forgotten how to talk productively. Climate change, diversity, TimesUp, Twitter spats, two-party political systems - the list of intense debate-generating topics goes on.

10 Rules for Talking is the guide that everybody needs, but doesn't know it yet. Learn how to improve your conversations with anyone by using Tim's top ten rules for discourse. With a focus on 'crucial' conversations - where opinions vary, emotions are running strong and the stakes are high - this is a must-have for any modern day conversationalist.

Discover how to recognise that conversations and agreement are not as simple as we think, why respecting your adversary is integral, and the importance of de-escalation to keep conversations safe.

Dr TIM HARKNESS is a psychologist and sports scientist, and has been working in his fields for nearly 20 years. Tim grew up in South Africa in the 70s and 80s, and observed the successful political change from apartheid regime to democracy. This makes him optimistic about our current political situation, as divided as we are about current issues.

Battle Ready

How To Take Control and Transform Your Life

Ollie Ollerton



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Take control, build resilience and transform your life with ex-Special Forces hero Ollie Ollerton.

*How do you keep going when you're in your lowest moment?
How do you prioritise recovery and take control?
How do you transform your life?*

Ex-Special Forces soldier Ollie Ollerton knows more than his fair share about keeping going. As a recruit he survived the infamously tough SAS selection process on a busted ankle with the Directing Staff pleading with him to give up. But it's in Ollie's personal life that he really had to dig deep. At his lowest he was battling a failed relationship, substance abuse, depression and a pronounced death wish.

After leaving the services, Ollie found himself at a loss. Feeling worthless, lacking purpose, he turned to drink to numb the pain. Looking for a way out, Ollie made a discovery. Often in life we find ourselves looking for an external fix - drink, drugs, other people's agenda. But the truth is the solution is not out there, it's inside. In *Battle Ready* Ollie teaches you how to access this potential, find your inner strength and transform your life.

From finding your purpose to visualising your outcome, to putting in a process to break bad habits and create positive new routines, Ollie's 12-step plan shows you how to make positive progress and recover when things go wrong. By following his plan you can realise your full potential, find your happiness, and become battle ready.

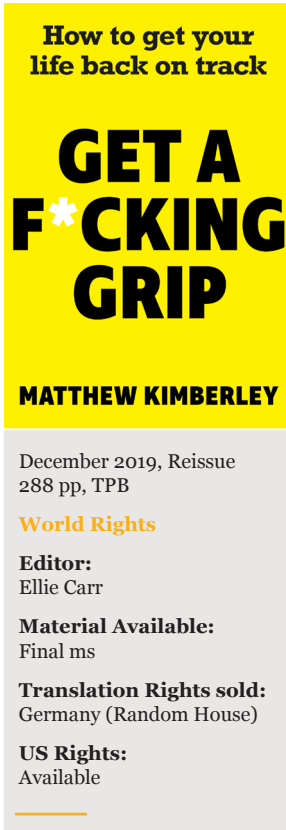
MATTHEW 'OLLIE' OLLERTON is a former Special Forces soldier. At the age of 18, Ollie joined the Royal Marine Commandos and toured operationally in Northern Ireland and Iraq for Operation Desert Storm.

After completing the gruelling 6-month-long SAS selection process, he joined the Special Boat Service (SBS) and his missions included counter narcotics, counter-terrorism, homeland security, counter insurgency operations and humanitarian efforts. Upon leaving the Special Forces, Ollie worked in Iraq as a private security contractor. He is the bestselling author of *Break Point* (Blink Publishing, 2019).

Get a F*cking Grip

How to Get Your Life Back on Track

Matthew Kimberley



The self-help manual for people who hate self-help.

You know the key to having more energy has nothing to do with crystals and chakras and everything to do with how much sleep you get.

You know that neglecting your friends will leave you destitute and lonely but you're still too damn lazy to pick up your phone and get in touch.

You know you could get through your to-do list in half the time – yet you're still stalking your ex on Facebook.

You know you just need a kick up the backside – and that's what you'll find within the pages of this book.

*Get A F*cking Grip* is the self-help book for people who hate self-help, offering simple no-nonsense advice that you can implement into all areas of your life, allowing you to get on with everything you've always wanted to do. Learning how to get a f*cking grip is the key to taking back control of your life.

MATTHEW KIMBERLEY is a British businessman and sales consultant. His blog howtogetagrip.com offered no-nonsense lessons for life and provided the foundation for this book. He now runs his own consultancy business, working with clients ranging from one-person service business start-ups to bigger and more mature operations as well as hosting the 'How to Get A Grip' podcast. He is based in Malta.

The Art of Disruption

A Modern Manifesto For Change

Magid Magid



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A guide to hope, doing better, being courageous and disrupting age-old power structures in work, life and politics.

This is for when you make the placard, join the march, tweet the hashtag, join a union, begin the chant, claim the occupation, spread the word, stand up to the power, feel the revolution, seek the truth, seize the day, make the change and take control; this is for when those in power don't listen, those above don't look down, those around you remain silent and those who want to can make a change; this is for the 'remainers', 'remoaners', activists and revolutionaries; conservationists, ecologists, naturalists and humanists; men, women, black, white, young and old.

This is *The Art of Disruption* and how we can all take back control and make a difference like our lives depend on it.

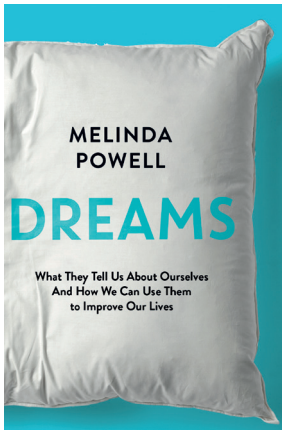
In this book, Magid Magid will show you how it is possible to think differently about power and life, and the interaction of the two.

MAGID MAGID came to Sheffield, UK, from Somalia as a refugee aged five. He is the youngest and first Green Party Lord Mayor of Sheffield, and became an MEP for the Green Party in May 2019. Magid has made headlines nationally and internationally for his creative ways of campaigning while not conforming to tradition and being unapologetically himself. He has campaigned on climate change, support for migrants and refugees, set up the first UK suicide prevention charter and even banned Donald Trump from Sheffield. Magid was named one of the top European Young Leaders (Friends of Europe) 2019 and was part of the top 100 Future Leaders (apolitico.co).

Dreams

What They Tell Us While We Sleep and How They Can Change Our Waking Lives

Melinda Powell



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224 pp, TPB

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Tap into the magic of your dreams and discover better, more balanced sleep with this revelatory new book from Melinda Powell, Director of the Dream Research Institute.

We spend a third of our lives sleeping and, as new research would suggest, almost all of that is spent dreaming. Despite this, very few of us try to explore the messages that our brain is projecting, or try to use this knowledge in our everyday lives.

In *Dreams*, psychoanalyst and Director of the Dream Research Institute, Melinda Powell, teaches us how to better remember, understand and interpret the dreams we have, and shows us how we can use this to improve our waking life.

As well as analysing the importance of dreaming for our sleeping brains, Powell discusses the role of light, landscapes, space and people within our dreams, examines the role of nightmares, dispels some common misconceptions and gives readers the tools to unpick these symbols, improve their mental wellbeing and discover better, more balanced sleep.

MELINDA POWELL is Director and Co-founder of the Dream Research Institute (DRI) which promotes research into the relationship between dreams and physical, psychological and spiritual wellbeing. She is also a Director of the Management Committee of the Centre for Counselling and Psychotherapy Education (CCPE) and was previously Vice President of the International Association for the Study of Dreams (IASD). She has researched extensively into the area of lucid dreaming, developing and teaching courses on the theory and writing pieces on that and dream practice for a variety of publications. Born in Southern California, she has lived in Poland and Switzerland, and now resides in the UK near Oxford.

A Midlife Cyclist

My Two-Wheel Journey to Heal a Broken Mind and Find Joy

Rachel Ann Cullen



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The second heartfelt and inspirational story of Rachel's journey through mental illness.

Rachel Cullen is a cyclist. But she was never meant to be.

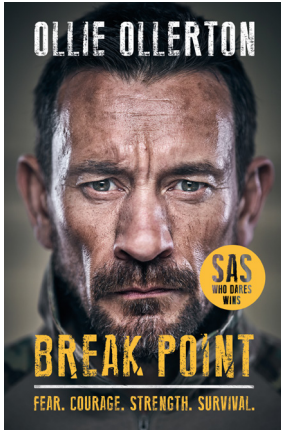
After gaining mental strength and healing through running, she thought she was free. The wind in her hair, the chill on her arms, the breath pulsing in her lungs - *she was alive, she was strong, she was cured*. Her depression alleviated, she came off Prozac and thought of herself as a 'runner', completing daily runs and even winning medals at marathons.

But what happens when a runner is unable to run?

A Midlife Cyclist is the heartbreaking and inspiring journey of Rachel finding out what she is truly made of. After injuring her leg sent her into a pit of mental misery, the only thing keeping her bipolar disorder, depression and body dysmorphia at bay was taken away from her. She knew for the sake of her sanity that she had to find a different way to kick her mental health demons, so she went out to the shed, got out her twenty-year-old bike, and started peddling. Like her life depended on it.

A Midlife Cyclist is the uplifting, inspirational tale of how Rachel found herself again, using the only thing she knew would work - moving her feet.

RACHEL CULLEN is a writer, blogger, author and runner. She is also a reformed ex-commercial litigation solicitor. Amongst other things, she has abseiled off Table Mountain, jumped out of a plane at 11,000ft, climbed Mount Fuji, worked on a game reserve in South Africa, qualified as a scuba diver and ridden an ostrich. This is her second book which, along with her first (*Running For My Life*), details her very personal journey to discover happiness.



Break Point

Fear. Courage. Strength. Survival.

Ollie Ollerton

The Sunday Time Bestseller.

Ex-Special Forces soldier Ollie Ollerton has faced many break points in his life and now he tells us the vital lessons he has learnt. His incredible story features hardened criminals, high-speed car chases, counter-terrorism and humanitarian heroics, like freeing children from a trafficking ring in Thailand.

Ollie has faced break points in his personal life too, surviving a freak childhood attack, run-ins with the law as a teenager rebelling against a broken home, his self-destructive battles with alcohol and drug addiction, and his struggles with anxiety and depression.

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My Sh*t Therapist & other mental health stories

Michelle Thomas

My Sh*t Therapist

& Other Mental Health Stories

Michelle Thomas

When Michelle Thomas suffered her first major depressive episode six years ago, she read and watched and listened to everything about mental health she could get her hands on in an effort to fix herself. *God*, it was tedious. And, quite frankly, depressing. Which was the last thing she needed. What she did need was a therapist who would listen and offer a wellness strategy catered to her specific needs. What she got was advice to watch a few YouTube videos and a cheerful reminder that 'it could be worse'. An honest, hilarious and heart-rending account of living with mental illness, *My Sh*t Therapist* will help you navigate the world, care for your mind and get through sh*t diagnoses, jobs, medications, boyfriends, habits, homes and therapists.

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INSPIRATIONAL

Letter To My Younger Self

100 Inspiring People on the Moments That Shaped Their Lives

Jane Graham and The Big Issue

Olivia Colman/ Mary J Blige/ Rod Stewart
 Sir Ranulph Fiennes/ Lynda La Plante
 Mel C/ Tom Jones/ Michael Flatley/ E L James
 Mo Farah/ Margaret Atwood/ Billie Jean King
 Paul McCartney/ 50 Cent/ Ewan McGregor
 Desmond Tutu/ John Cleese/ Shania Twain
 Neil Gaiman/ Wilbur Smith/ James Earl Jones



Julie Walters/ Werner Herzog/ Roger Moore
 Jamie Oliver/ Ian McEwan/ Bear Grylls
 Michael Palin/ Mick Fleetwood/ Mary Beard
 Buzz Aldrin/ Colm Toibin/ Danny DeVito
 Arianna Huffington/ Geoffrey Rush
 Joanna Lumley/ Roger Daltrey
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Remarkable people from the worlds of entertainment, politics, food, sport and business write letters to their younger selves in this collection taken from *The Big Issue's* popular feature.

If you could write a letter to your younger self, what would it say?

More than 10 years ago, *The Big Issue* began asking people that question and since then, some of the most brilliant and successful people from the worlds of entertainment, politics, food, sport and business have had their letters published in the magazine.

This collection of 100 of the most memorable letters includes Paul McCartney writing on how he found inspiration, Oscar winner Olivia Colman on overcoming confidence problems, Mo Farah on the importance of losing, Arianna Huffington on knowing your motivations, Jamie Oliver on trusting your instinct and many, many more.

Letter to My Younger Self is a moving, inspiring and powerful insight into the wisdom that age brings and how you can use this knowledge to shape your future.

JANE GRAHAM is the Books Editor for *The Big Issue*. She has worked as a BBC radio producer on Radios 1, 3 and 4, as well as Radio Ulster and as a journalist, she has written for *The Guardian*, *Uncut*, *The Sunday Times* and *The Scotsman*.

THE BIG ISSUE is an award-winning magazine offering employment opportunities to people in poverty by giving them a share of the profits from sales. Launched in 1991, the magazine has now sold over 200 million copies. The company also has an investment arm, Big Issue Invest, which finances the growth of sustainable social enterprises and charities across the UK, and an independently funded registered charity, The Big Issue Foundation, which addresses the fundamental issues attached to social and financial exclusion. For over 25 years, The Big Issue Group has strived to dismantle poverty through creating opportunity, and in the process has become one of the most recognized and trusted brands in the UK.

On This Day She

Putting Women Back Into History, One Day at a Time

Jo Bell, Tania Hershman and Ailsa Holland



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384 pp, HB

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Ellie Carr

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Proposal

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An inspiring collection that shines a light on incredible women who were never given the acknowledgment they deserved.

Here are the women whom time has forgotten; those who didn't make it into the history books and those whom society failed to uphold as significant figures in their own right. Finally, we shall know their stories.

The recognised format of *On This Day in History* has served as a platform for many an interesting, eminent person who changed the course of civilisation in their own unique way, but there appears to be a problem... Where are all the women? Only those the Establishment deems especially worthy have managed to squeeze their way into the historical accounts handed down through the generations. But this is not the whole story, not by half.

On This Day She sets out to redress this imbalance and give voice to those the history books have failed to make room for: the good, the bad and everything in-between – this is a record of human existence at its most authentic.

For all the women forgotten, maligned and erased, here's to you: it's time you were given the space you have always deserved.

JO BELL has been featured in *Heritage* and *County Walking* magazines, has appeared on Radio 4 with her docupoem *Slow Machine* whilst also maintaining links and building events with the National Trust, Canal and River Trust, Stratford Poetry Festival and Glastonbury Festival.

TANIA HERSHMAN has had a recent collection of poetry published by Nine Arches Press and short stories published by Unthank Books. She is the founder of *The Short Review*, an online journal which reviews short story collections.

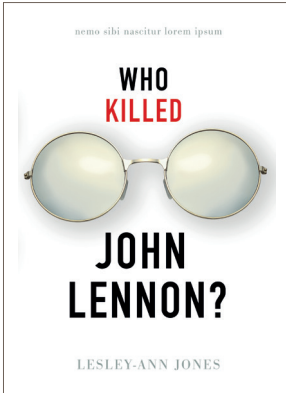
AILSA HOLLAND is publisher of Moormaid Press, which recently published her first collection *Twenty-Four Miles Up*, a project supported by the Arts Council. Ailsa recently was invited to be a TEDx speaker regarding the start of *On This Day She*.

MEMOIR & BIOGRAPHY

Who Killed John Lennon?

The Turbulent Life and Times of Rock's Greatest Legend

Lesley-Ann Jones



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A definitive new biography of John Lennon from bestselling music biographer Lesley-Ann Jones, published to mark the 40th anniversary of his death and his 80th birthday.

In this compelling biography, acclaimed music biographer Lesley-Ann Jones unravels the enigma that was John Lennon to present a complete portrait of the man, his life, his loves, his music, his untimely death and ultimately his legacy. Pulling back the many layers, Jones closely tracks the life events and personality traits that led to Lennon living in self-imposed exile in New York, where he was shot dead outside his apartment on the 8th December 1980.

Who, or what, really killed John Lennon? And when did the 'real' John Lennon die?

Using fresh first-hand research, unseen material as well as exclusive interviews with the people who knew Lennon best, Jones' search for answers offers a spellbinding, 360-degree view of one of the world's most iconic music legends. *Who Killed John Lennon?* delves deep into his psyche - the good, the bad and the genius - forty years on from his death.

LESLEY-ANN JONES is an acclaimed biographer, novelist, broadcaster and keynote speaker. She honed her craft on Fleet Street, as a newspaper journalist. She is the bestselling author of *Bohemian Rhapsody: The Definitive Biography of Freddie Mercury*, *Hero: David Bowie*, and *Ride a White Swan: The Lives & Death of Marc Bolan*. A childhood friend of David Bowie, Lesley-Ann has interviewed many of the world's most-loved artists, including Paul McCartney, Madonna and Prince, often forming lifelong friendships with her subjects.

Hell is Round the Corner

My Autobiography

Tricky



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A full and frank autobiography by one of the most original music artists of the past 30 years.

Tricky is one of the most original music artists to emerge from the UK in the past 30 years. His signature technique - layered, eerie, downtempo hip-hop - took the world by storm in the early 1990s and was part of the 'Bristol Sound' that defined the post-rave generation. His first solo album, *Maxinquaye*, was the NME's album of the year in 1995 and was nominated for the Mercury Music Prize.

This unique, no-holds barred autobiography is not only a portrait of an incredible artist - it is also a gripping slice of social history packed with hair-raising anecdotes and voices from the margins of society.

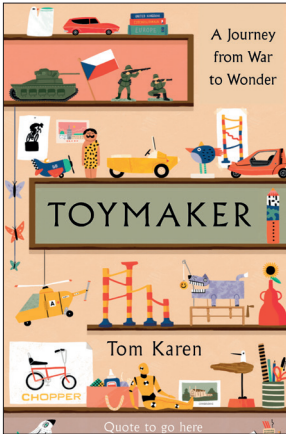
Tricky examines how his creativity has helped him find a different path to that of his relatives, some of whom were bare-knuckle fighters and gangsters, and how his mother's suicide has had a lifelong effect on him, both creatively and psychologically. From the Bronx to Berlin, via Paris and LA, Tricky has continued to push himself in new directions as a performer and musician. With his unique heritage and experience, his story will be one of the most talked-about music autobiographies of the decade.

Born in 1968, into the poverty-stricken West Knowle area of Bristol, to an Anglo-Guyanese mother and Jamaican father, ADRIAN THAWS didn't have the easiest start in life. Environmental influences, particularly his mother's suicide, made a deep imprint on the boy who would grow up to become the startlingly original artist and musician known as TRICKY. Over the course of Tricky's career as a solo artist, he has released 13 studio albums, selling over 2 million copies worldwide. His debut solo album *Maxinquaye* (1995) was nominated for the Mercury prize, sold over 800,000 copies worldwide. He is admired by some of the biggest names in music and currently lives and records in Berlin.

Toymaker

A Journey From War to Wonder

Tom Karen



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A century-spanning story of art, wonder and invention by toymaker Tom Karen.

Tom Karen is a living embodiment of a life immersed in inventiveness, imagination and thought: visit his home and you will see his world come to life with papier-mâché birds, life-size toy dogs and various model Marble Run toys hogging every corner of his house. His workbench is a vibrant collage of creativity, from hand-drawn maps and postcards to newly devised toys for his ever-spoilt grand children and their friends. He's a real-life 'Geppetto' - a man who lives for children and for creativity and should his toys ever come to life they would have such a story to tell.

From his early life in Czechoslovakia, his journey fleeing Nazi Germany across continental Europe, and his formative years in the UK as a Jewish immigrant landing on these shores with little-to-no money; through to his ascent to the top of the design tree, becoming the 'man who designed the 1970s' and his later years as a creative polymath and design mentor. In *Toymaker* Tom Karen presents some of the most cherished items that tell a story of not just an extraordinary life, but show the importance of nurturing one's own imagination.

TOM KAREN was born in Czechoslovakia in 1926, into a wealthy Jewish family. Following the rise of Nazi Germany, he had to flee his home country, settling in the UK via Belgium, France and Spain. It was at Ogle Design where Tom reached the height of his profession, inventing the Chopper bike, the Marble Run, the Scimitar GTE and the Bond Bug, amongst many other cult transport vehicles and toys and games.

RICHARD ASKWITH's cult book about fell-running, *Feet in the Clouds* (2004), won him the Best New Writer prize at the British Sports Publishing Awards and the Bill Rollinson Prize for Landscape and Tradition. He's also being shortlisted for the William Hill Sports Book of the Year Award and for the Boardman-Tasker Prize.

In Her Room

How Music Helped Me Connect with My Autistic Daughter

James Cook



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A fascinating exploration of the link between autism and music, and a touching story of a father reconnecting with his daughter.

During the early years of his daughter Evelyn's life, James noticed that she was strangely taken by strong colours and patterns around the house, and that at times the only way to calm down her piercing screams would be a slow, repetitive song.

As his friends' children began to outstrip Evelyn, James began to suspect that she wasn't simply a 'late bloomer' (as he and his wife would tell friends and family). At the age of two, Evelyn was finally diagnosed with non-verbal autism, a severe form of autism that hinders her mental and physical development, and may have affected their relationship forever.

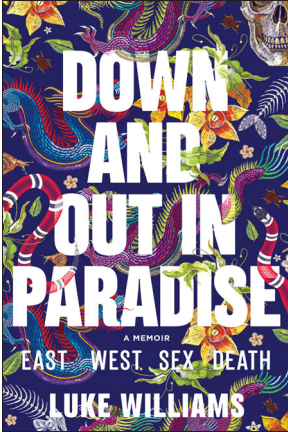
This is an extraordinary and heartbreaking story of a father trying to connect with his daughter in the face of a life-changing disability, and how music helped bridge that divide.

Originally a musician and songwriter, JAMES COOK released two critically acclaimed albums with his band Flamingoes, toured the UK and Europe and sold 20,000 records worldwide. In 2009, one of James' short stories was featured in a collection alongside pieces by Nick Cave and Man Booker Prize-winner DBC Pierre. In 2018, his first book, *Memory Songs*, was published by Unbound. James has written about music for the *Guardian*, *Boundless* and *Review 31*.

Down and Out in Paradise

East, West, Sex, Death

Luke Williams



September 2019
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A darkly funny, often heartbreaking and always moving memoir about one man's journey through Asia.

Journalist Luke Williams travels to Asia to escape hard drugs, high rents and cold nights. He finds adventure, temples and, for the first time, people actually weirder than him: Westerners in Asia. Because people go to Asia for the things they can't find at home: riches, wives, ladyboys, cheap living and even cheaper drugs, cults, spices, mountains, tropical beaches, 'selfesteem' necklaces, and ascended masters. Luke fully immerses himself in these environments, going far beyond reportage, while aspects of his own history - his dreams, disappointments, urges, and his inherited struggle with mental illness - begin to catch up with him.

In this searingly honest book, Luke invites you into his headspace as he travels all over Asia. He spends a month working as a prostitute in Pattaya, eats snake heart in Vietnam, and consults an American medium in Ubud, while tracing the history of Westerners - from the Greeks to Marco Polo and the colonialists - and their extreme experiences in the east. Ultimately, Luke is confronted by what is, and what was, and his own footprint upon it all.

LUKE WILLIAMS is a journalist and two-time Walkley nominee. His first book *The Ice Age: A Journey into Crystal-Meth Addiction* was nominated for both a Walkley and the Nib Waverley Literary Prize. His work has been published in *Vice*, *The Guardian*, *The Sydney Morning Herald*, *The Sun*, *The Daily Mail*, and many other major publications both in Australia and the UK. In 2013 he was nominated for a Human Rights Media Award for a long-form investigative piece in *The Global Mail*.

Fighting For Your Life

A Paramedic's Story

Lysa Walder



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Real-life stories of heartbreak and hope, direct from the very frontline of the emergency services.

A teenage boy lies on the pavement, bleeding to death from a stab wound; a distraught mum watches, in mute shock, as her daughter suffers a terrifying fatal asthma attack; a young girl is gang-raped and her stricken boyfriend takes an overdose; a disturbed young man flings himself in front of a speeding train at the stroke of midnight on New Year's Eve.

Few people can imagine living in a world where such situations are part of everyday life. Yet for ambulance paramedic Lysa Walder, these and thousands of other emergency call outs are part of a day's work: scenes of tragedy, heroism loss and horror - but also stories of triumph and humour, and all the results of an urgent 999 call to the biggest and busiest free ambulance service in the world.

Lysa was an Accident and Emergency (A&E) nurse and paramedic for over fifteen years. Here, she tells the inside story behind the screaming sirens and flashing blue lights of the emergency services and reveals what it's really like to work in a job that brings paramedic teams face-to-face with death - and destiny - every day.

LYSA WALDER left school to join a travelling circus, working in Europe for four years as an acrobat and ring-mistress. In a slight change of direction, she then qualified as a paramedic and emergency care practitioner, spending over fifteen years saving lives.

The Secret Midwife

Life, Death and The Truth about Birth

Philippa George



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Strongest advocate, best friend, expert, cheerleader and chief photographer... Before, during and after labour the role of a midwife is second to none.

Philippa George is a midwife and for the last fifteen years she has helped deliver thousands of babies safely in all number of strange positions. She's been covered in every known bodily fluid, been pinched, bitten, skewered and had her hands in places you would never think possible. But this is her dream job and she loves everything about it.

There isn't much that would shock Philippa. From the mother that tries to give herself a DIY caesarean to the baby born in witness protection, surprise infants that arrive down toilets or ones that turn up in the lift, as well as every conceivable complication.

But there's a problem. For the past six months Philippa hasn't been feeling quite right. She has been working in an environment of endless 12-hour shifts, constant staff shortages, management failings, legal battles, sleeplessness, worry and extreme stress. She starts to unravel in unexpected ways and then, for the first time in her life she finds herself sitting at home, signed off work with stress and depression.

With the support of her loving family and friends, Philippa eventually recovers her strength and confidence, returning to work after four months. But she has gained a new insight into her predicament and that of her fellow midwives and now she's ready to share her story.

The Secret Midwife is an extraordinary, funny and heart-warming first-hand account of modern midwifery. It is also a hard-hitting exposé of how chronic underfunding and mismanagement have led to a crisis in the profession.

The Secret Doctor

Incredible Stories from the Insane World of Medicine

Anonymous



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What is your doctor really thinking? A fascinating behind-the-curtain look at the crazy world of general medicine.

Everyone has been to a doctor. And if you haven't, you probably should.

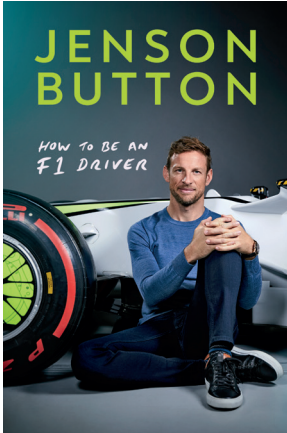
Everyone has walked in with a question about a strange growth, an odd feeling, a sporting injury, an internet diagnosis, an actual problem or any of these but for their aunt (who refuses to come to the doctor themselves), and so everyone believes they know about the life of a doctor... you have no idea.

The Secret Doctor will take you on a journey behind the closed doors of a clinic and show you every type of patient known to man - from those who should have gone to hospital months ago to those who really should just go to a therapist. He will explain why he can only spend ten minutes with someone, why the system is broken, why he's sometimes late, why he loves his job, why it makes him despair and why you should never, ever ask a doctor for a prescription for paracetamol.

SPORT

How To Be an F1 Driver

Jenson Button



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Jenson Button takes you on a funny and fascinating journey into the gilded world of Formula 1.

In his 17 years as a Formula 1 driver, Jenson Button has picked up a thing or two about how to do the job properly. Sure, you need to be able to drive a car fast - and Jenson is on hand to pass on a few tricks of the trade here - but you also need to know the real rules for making it to the top.

Like, how to tell a multiple F1 champion they need to check their blind-spot. What the difference is between a helmet and a hat, and indeed a 'helmet-hat'. How to practise your champagne spray ahead of the big day. Why it is never, ever, under any circumstances a good idea to buy a yacht. And how to face down your team when you've just stacked their multi-million-pound car into a wall during practice.

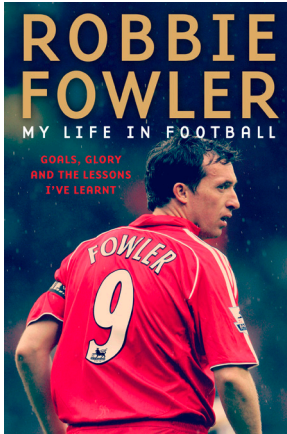
But 'JB' (nicknames in F1 run the full range from initials to, well, just using first names) doesn't stop there. *HTBAF1D* (catchy) lifts the lid on the people, the places, the weird rituals, the motorhomes, the media, the cars, the perks and the disasters. Join Jenson as he reveals how not to race a stupid big truck, why driving Le Mans is like having five shots of tequila before lunch, and what to do when you finally hang up your helmet-hat.

JENSON BUTTON is a British Racing driver who has been in Formula 1 for seventeen years, appearing in 309 grands prix, the second most in history. He won the 2009 Formula One World Championship, driving for Brawn GP. Outside of racing, he set up the Jenson Button Trust for his fundraising activities which includes the Jenson Button Triathlon which has raised money for Help For Heroes, Cancer Research and now Barnardo'. He's the bestselling author of *Life to The Limit*.

My Life in Football

Goals, Glory and The Lessons I've Learnt

Robbie Fowler



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The definitive autobiography from Anfield's favourite son, 25 years after he first signed as a professional for Liverpool.

To Liverpool fans, Robbie Fowler was 'God'. He is the sixth-highest goal scorer in the history of the Premier League and notched 183 goals for Liverpool alone.

But before all of that, he was a Liverpool lad who loved the game, the Kop and everything that came with it. *A Footballer's Life* is the story of a fan who became a legend.

Born in Liverpool in 1975, Robbie Fowler became a club icon by the time he was 18. Now, he takes us through the games that have shaped his life and football philosophy, over 25 years after he first signed as a professional for Liverpool.

Engaging, personal and revealing, Robbie opens up about his astounding achievements, the price of fame and the regrets and struggles of being a professional footballer. From Hillsborough to Madrid, via the cup treble, that goal line celebration, hundreds of goals, Houllier, Benítez, Klopp and more, Robbie explains his thinking about the modern game. Inviting readers inside the dressing room, he shares stories of legendary teammates like Rush, Owen and Gerrard, as well as his rise to football's top table. How did he get back up so many times after the injuries that blighted his career? What gave him the drive to keep going and pursue his dreams?

My Life in Football harks back to a simpler time when fans and players shared the same story, and when the local boy really could dream of scoring a hat-trick for his home club when Saturday came.

ROBBIE FOWLER is an English former professional footballer and manager who played as a striker from 1993 to 2012. Fowler is best remembered for his time at Liverpool and is the sixth-highest goalscorer in the history of the Premier League. He scored 183 goals in total for Liverpool, 128 of which were scored in the Premier League. He earned the nickname "God" from the Anfield crowd, becoming a club legend due to his ruthlessness in front of goal. He subsequently played for Leeds United and Manchester City, before returning to Liverpool in January 2006. In December 2008, he forged a career in Australia with North Queensland Fury and Perth Glory. In 2011, he joined Thai side Muangthong United as a player, but later was appointed player-manager which he remained until his retirement in 2012.

F2: Ultimate Footballer

How to Build the Perfect Player

The F2



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Learn how to become the perfect footballer with the new book by the bestseller F2.

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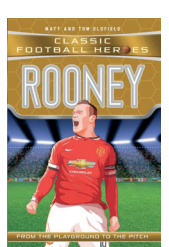
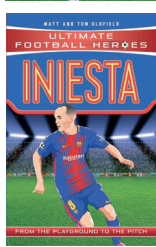
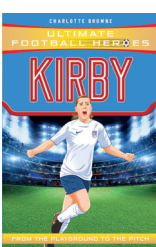
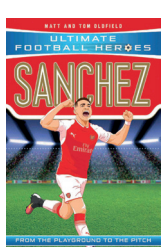
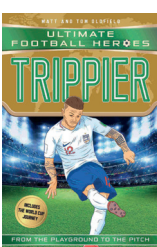
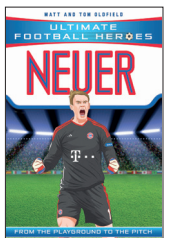
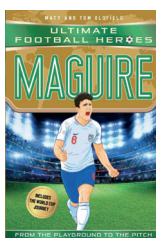
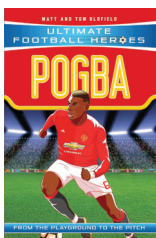
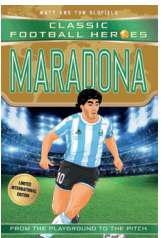
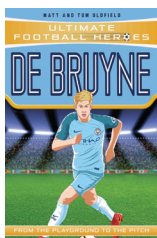
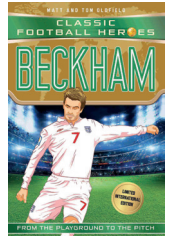
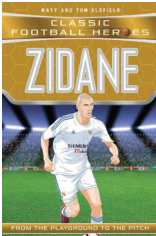
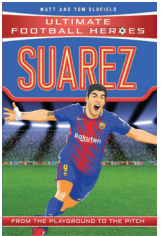
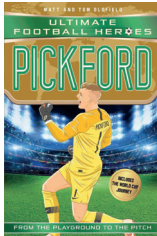
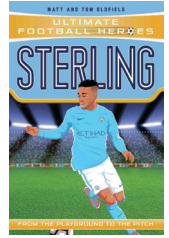
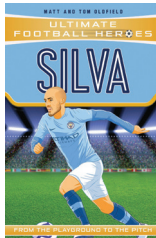
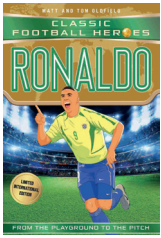
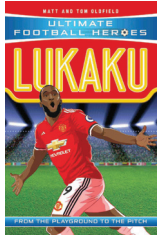
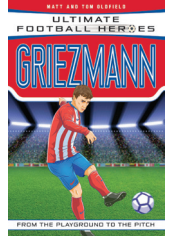
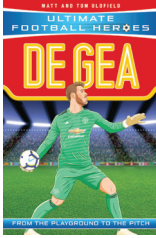
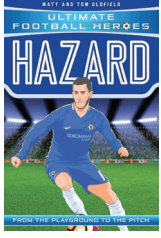
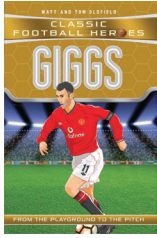
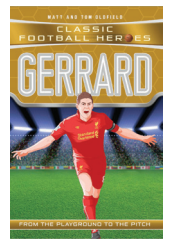
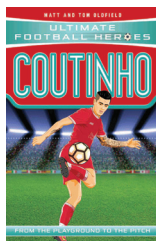
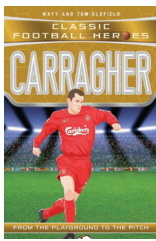
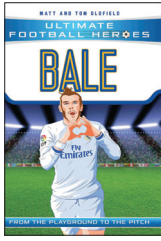
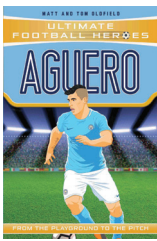
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Ultimate Football Heroes is a series of biographies telling the life-stories of the biggest and best footballers in the world and their incredible journey from childhood fan to super-star professional player.

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MATT OLDFIELD is an accomplished writer and the editor-in-chief of football review site *Of Pitch and Page*.

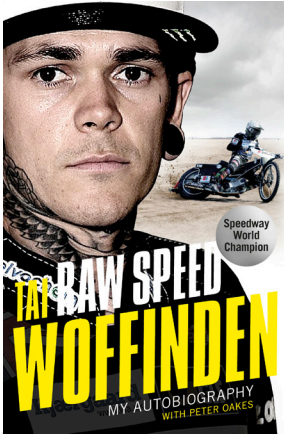
TOM OLDFIELD is a freelance sports writer and the author of biographies on Cristiano Ronaldo, Arsene Wenger and Rafael Nadal.



Raw Speed

The Autobiography of the Three-Times World Speedway Champion

Tai Woffinden



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The incredible life and career of the three-times World Champion.

Triple Speedway World Champion and captain of the Great Britain speedway team, Tai Woffinden is one of the sport's biggest stars.

Following in his late father's footsteps, Tai made his name as a notable speedway rider from a very young age. Known for his speed on the tracks and his quirky tattoos, he is a popular figure within the sport.

With a vast array of titles to his name, including youngest ever World Champion achieved at the age of twenty-three, Woffinden has come a long way. However, he has not been without his share of struggles. In 2010, he lost his father to cancer, which, combined with internal issues within his team, resulted in a difficult season while a bad crash in June 2019 probably ended his chances of retaining his World title. His autobiography provides an eye-opening insight into the life of one of the most exciting talents in speedway.

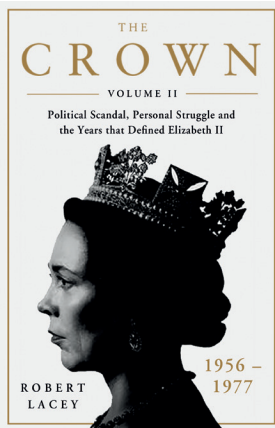
Triple Speedway World Champion and captain of the Great Britain speedway team, TAI WOFFINDEN is one of speedway's finest riders. He currently rides for the WTS Wroctaw in the Polish Speedway Ekstraliga and Masarna Avesta in the Swedish Elitserien.

HISTORY

The Crown Volume II

Political Scandal, Personal Struggle and the Years that Defined Elizabeth II, 1956-1977

Robert Lacey



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The fascinating royal and social history that inspired the second and third seasons of *The Crown*, from the show's historical consultant.

In this companion to the second and third seasons of Netflix's acclaimed series *The Crown*, renowned biographer and the show's historical consultant Robert Lacey takes us through the real history that inspired the drama.

Covering two tumultuous decades in the reign of Elizabeth II, Lacey looks at the key social, political and personal moments and the effect they had not only on the royal family, but also on the world around them. From the Suez Canal Crisis and the US/Russia space race to the Duke of Windsor's collaboration with Hitler and the rumoured issues with the royal marriage, the book will provide a fascinating insight into the two decades that the show covers, revealing the truth behind the fiction on-screen.

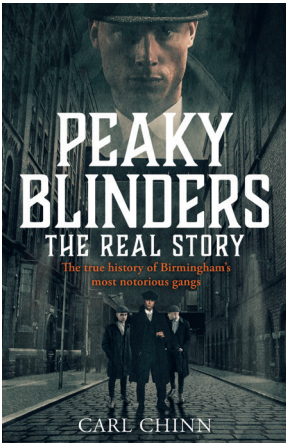
Extensively researched and complete with beautifully reproduced photographs, this is a unique look behind the history that inspired the show and the years that would prove to be the making of The Queen.

ROBERT LACEY is the historical consultant to *The Crown*, having worked previously with Peter Morgan on his Oscar-winning movie *The Queen*. As a renowned British historian and the author of numerous international bestsellers, including *Majesty*, his pioneering biography of Queen Elizabeth II, Robert has been writing about the Queen and her extraordinary life for more than 40 years. He is the ideal companion to explain and reveal the secrets of her long reign.

Peaky Blinders: The Real Story

The True History of Birmingham's Most Notorious Gang

Carl Chinn



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A fascinating insight into the true story behind Birmingham's most notorious gang, The Peaky Blinders.

The Peaky Blinders as we know them, thanks to the hit TV series, are infused with drama and dread. Fashionably dressed, the charismatic but deeply flawed Shelby family blind enemies by slashing them with the disposable safety razor blades stitched in to the peaks of their flat caps, as they fight bloody gangland wars involving Irish terrorists and the authorities led by a devious Home Secretary, Winston Churchill.

But who were the real Peaky Blinders? Did they really exist?

Well-known social historian, broadcaster and author, Carl Chinn, has spent decades searching them out. Now he reveals the true story of the notorious Peaky Blinders, one of whom was his own great grandfather and, like the Shelbys, his grandfather was an illegal bookmaker in back-street Birmingham.

In this gripping social history, Chinn shines a light on the rarely reported struggles of the working class in one of the great cities of the British Empire before the First World War. The story continues after 1918 as some Peaky Blinders transformed into the infamous Birmingham Gang. Led by the real Billy Kimber, they fought a bloody war with the London gangsters Darby Sabini and Alfie Solomons over valuable protection rackets extorting money from bookmakers across the booming postwar racecourses of Britain.

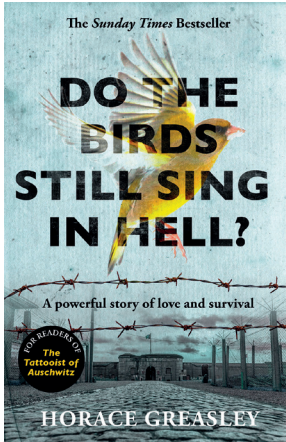
Drawing together a remarkably wide-range of original sources, including rarely seen images of real Peaky Blinders and interviews with relatives of the gangsters, *Peaky Blinders: The Real Story* adds a new dimension to the true history of Birmingham's underworld and fact behind its fiction.

Professor CARL CHINN MBE Ph.D. is a social historian with a national profile, writer, public speaker and teacher. An off-course bookmaker himself until 1984, he is the son and grandson of illegal bookmakers in Sparkbrook and the great-grandson of a member of the so-called Peaky Blinders gang, whilst his mother's family were factory workers in Aston.

Do the Birds Still Sing in Hell?

A Powerful Story of Love and Survival

Horace Greasley



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The incredible true story of how one soldier escaped a prisoner war camp 200 times to see the girl he loved.

Even in the most horrifying places on earth, hope still lingers in the darkness, waiting for the opportunity to take flight.

When war was declared Horace Greasley was just twenty years old. After seven weeks' training with the 2/5th Battalion, the Royal Leicestershire Regiment, Horace found himself facing the might of the German Army in a muddy field south of Cherbourg, in northern France, with just thirty rounds in his ammunition pouch.

Horace's war didn't last long. On 25 May 1940 he was taken prisoner and so began the harrowing journey to a prisoner-of-war camp in Poland. Those who survived the gruelling ten-week march to the camp were left broken and exhausted, all chance of escape seemingly extinguished.

But when Horace met Rosa, the daughter of one of his captors, his story changed; fate, it seemed, had thrown him a lifeline. Horace risked everything in order to steal out of the camp to see his love, bringing back supplies for his fellow prisoners. In doing so he offered hope to his comrades, and defiance to one of the most brutal regimes in history.

HORACE GREASLEY was a British soldier in the Second World War who was captured by the German Wehrmacht and became famous for escaping from his camp over 200 times while conducting a clandestine love affair, returning to captivity each time.

The Day the Nazis Came

The True Story of One Child's Journey to a German Prison Camp

Stephen Matthews



JOHN BLAKE

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The true story of one child's journey to a German prison camp.

By the time he was six years old, Stephen Matthews had been bombarded by the Luftwaffe and deported from occupied Guernsey, along with his family, to a prison camp in the heart of Adolf Hitler's Third Reich. He had seen men die in front of him and walked with Jews straight off the cattle-trucks from Bergen-Belsen. He had nearly drowned, menaced by Alsatian guard dogs, been beaten by a member of the SS, stranded in a minefield and had his hand broken by a German guard for attempting to feed Russian prisoners.

The family kept going through over three years of imprisonment, held together by their will to survive and their love for each other. But the island home they eventually returned to had been scarred and stricken by Nazi occupation.

The Day the Nazis Came is an utterly unique memoir, depicting the world of Nazi prison camps through the eyes of a child - a world in which the real dangers often seemed trivial and every day was a new adventure. Above all, it pays tribute to the preciousness of hope, and shows that human kindness may flower in the unlikely of places.

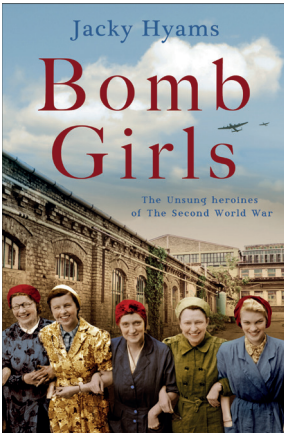
STEPHEN MATTHEWS was born in Guernsey in 1938 and following the barbaric German invasion of the Channel Islands, in 1940, he was illegally deported to Germany by late 1942, with his father and mother. They were eventually liberated by Free French forces in 1945.

He later joined the elite British Colonial Police Force in Northern Rhodesia and received many awards and commendations for his work, dedication and commitment, before starting afresh in the world of business, finance and management consultancy.

Bomb Girls

The Munitions Women of World War II

Jacky Hyams



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The story of the unsung heroines of World War II, told in their own words.

They were the mothers, wives and teenage girls ‘doing their bit’ for the war effort, clocking in daily to work in vast factories, making the explosives, ammunition and war machines that would ensure victory for Britain. It was dangerous, dirty and exhausting work. They worked round the clock, often exposed to toxic chemicals. A factory accident could mean blindness, loss of limbs - or worse. Many went home with acid burns, yellow skin or discoloured hair. Others were forced to leave their loved ones to live with total strangers hundreds of miles from home. Frequently, their male bosses were coarse and unsympathetic.

Yet this hidden army of nearly two million women toiled on regardless through the worst years of the war, cheerfully ignoring the dangers and the exhaustion, as bombing, rationing and the heartbreak of loss or separation took their toll on everyone in the country.

Only decades later did they agree to tell their remarkable stories. Here, in their own words, are the vivid wartime memories of the ‘secret army’ of female munitions workers, whose resilience and sheer grit in the face of danger has only recently been acknowledged.

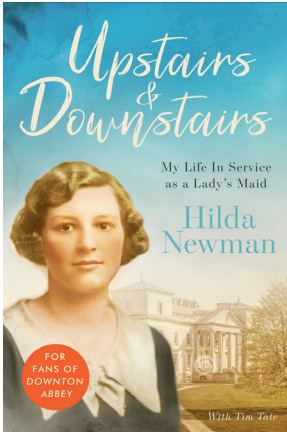
These are the intimate personal stories of an unforgettable group of women, whose hard work and quiet courage made a vital contribution to Britain’s war effort. They didn’t fire the shells and bullets, but they filled them with explosive. In doing so, they helped their country to win the war.

JACKY HYAMS is a journalist and *Sunday Times* bestselling non-fiction author. She has written over ten non-fiction books, including three personal memoirs about post-war London in the 50s and 60s and several historical titles including *The Day the War Broke Out*, published by John Blake in September 2019.

Upstairs and Downstairs

My Life in Service as a Lady's Maid

Hilda Newman with Tim Tate



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For fans of *Downton Abbey*, an enchanting memoir of life as a 1930's lady's maid in one of England's finest stately homes.

The year was 1935: the twilight of the English aristocracy. It was a time of wealth and glamour; of lavish balls and evening gowns; of tiaras and a coronation. As personal maid to Lady Coventry, Hilda Newman had a unique insight into the leisured life of one of Britain's most noble families. In her fascinating memoir of life upstairs and down, Hilda takes us back to this period between the wars; a gilded era which would soon be dramatically changed by the Second World War.

Transplanted from a tiny house with no bath or hot water to an eighteenth-century neo-Palladian mansion, Hilda's life changed beyond recognition. But in a time when the very foundations of British society were being shaken to their core, the luxurious life of the country nobility couldn't last. The Second World War brought more turbulence with it, and Croome Court, where Hilda had lived and worked, became a haven for the Dutch Royal Family fleeing Nazi occupation, whilst also home to a top-secret RAF base. The lavish banquets and decadent parties had become a thing of the past.

Hilda's story takes us back to a bygone era, showing us what life was really like in England's classic country manors of old – and uncovers the real lives of the people who occupied them, from wealthy lord to lowly servant.

HILDA NEWMAN was a maid to Lady Coventry at the Worcestershire stately home of Croome Court in the 1930s. Now in her late 90s, Hilda has led a remarkable life both above and below the stairs.

TIM TATE is an award-winning documentary film maker and an author. He has produced and directed films for BBC, ITV, Channel 4, Channel 5, Al Jazeera International, and the Discovery Channel. His work has won awards from Amnesty International, the Royal Television Society, UNESCO, The New York Festivals, the Association for International Broadcasting, and the US Cable Academy.

PARENTING & LIFESTYLE

MumLife

Tears, Tantrums & The Joy of Motherhood

Louise Pentland



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The brand new book from *Sunday Times* bestselling author Louise Pentland.

MumLife; *noun:* the inescapable swirling vortex of love, guilt, joy, annoyance, laughter and boredom that makes up the life of a mum.

Louise Pentland has been through a lot. From a traumatic birth with her first daughter, to single motherhood, to finding love again and having a second child, Louise's parenting journey has been full of surprises.

Discussing the realities most working mums face, plus the impact of maternal mental health, Louise is on a mission to make other mums feel less alone, and very much heard. She beautifully reveals her own imperfect but perfect route to motherhood, as well as the loss of her mum so early in her life, how it shaped her and the mother she became.

Reflective, uplifting and with her signature hilarious wit, *MumLife* will share Louise's ups and downs, reflecting on her route to motherhood and what she has learnt along the way. This is the honest truth about motherhood, from someone who's been there and experienced it all.

LOUISE PENTLAND is the number one bestselling author of *Wilde Like Me* which shot to the top of the charts and into readers' hearts in summer 2017. Her protagonist, single mum Robin Wilde, was a huge hit with fans and returned to the bestseller lists in the acclaimed and irresistible *Wilde About the Girl* in 2018 and *Wilde Women* in 2019.

Louise is the award-winning and number one parenting vlogger in the UK, with 8 million followers. She is a UN Global Ambassador for Gender Equality, was shortlisted for 2016's *Glamour* Woman of the Year and recently won InStyle 'Best High-Street Fashion YouTuber' and the Shorty Award for 'Best YouTube Guru'. Louise has filmed with the Pope at the Vatican to discuss the challenges facing young people today, and HRH Prince Charles and HRH The Duchess of Cornwall to support Bookstart, to encourage childhood literacy.

Everything You Need to Know About Breastfeeding

Comforting Support, Expert Advice & Up-to-Date Knowledge

Chantelle Edmunds



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A modern, clear, friendly and non-judgemental breastfeeding guide with expert advice.

In a chatty, down-to-earth style, *Everything You Need to Know About Breastfeeding* will act as a guide and support system for preparing before birth, what to expect in the early days, help with breastfeeding in public and going back to work, as well as milestones to reach, problems to look out for, solutions and support.

Chantelle is a mum to three beautiful girls, and has experienced traumatic and premature births. In personal essays she will share her experience of mental health and motherhood, as well as having twins and tandem-feeding. Her book will also cover formula feeding, and what to try with different health issues.

Chantelle believes that every parent should feed their baby in whichever way they think is best, and it is her mission in life to make sure mums have as much information as possible when thinking about breastfeeding. *Everything You Need to Know About Breastfeeding* is her way of doing just that, and it is written with the support and know-how of a certified lactation consultant to make sure it is as useful and up-to-date as possible.

CHANTELLE EDMUNDS is a mother to three daughters; Dakota (5), and twins Tatum and Blakely (18 months). She started an Instagram account to document her pregnancy with twins, and having breastfed all of her children, wants to share years worth of accumulated knowledge with the thousands of parents who have messaged her for advice. Chantelle is an Association of Breastfeeding Mother's 'Mother Support' worker, helping new mums who have chosen to breastfeed. She is a staunch supporter of mums feeding their baby however they feel is best.

The Natural Gardener

A Lifetime of Gardening by the Phases of the Moon

John Harris



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An enchanting but informative guide to the joys and benefits of gardening by the cycles of the moon.

This is not your average gardening book. In it you will discover how to increase your crop yield and grow healthier, better tasting food, whilst reducing work in your garden and forking out less on your fertiliser. This seemingly impossible win-win is achieved by planting and reaping in tune with the phases of the moon.

Lunar gardening has been around for as long as man has pulled food from the soil. It was practised by the Incas and the Native Americans, and is still followed by the Maoris and rural communities in Eastern Europe. Because it works. But with the mass adoption of fertilisers achieving quicker results for a need-it-now-generation, these techniques have been all but forgotten by the modern gardener. Until now.

John Harris has researched, studied and put in to practise the principles of gardening by the phases of the moon for more than forty years. The results he's achieved are nothing short of astonishing. He has never watered his garden, he only grows organically and yet he's won numerous show awards and prizes for the size, abundance and taste of his produce. In *The Natural Gardener* he shows you how you can do the same by following a few simple principles.

JOHN HARRIS has been a professional gardener ever since he remembers. He got his first spade when he was ten, his first allotment when he was eleven and his first job on a Cornish estate when he was fifteen. He was taught by 'the best in the business', Noel Masters, a head gardener for many of Cornwall's leading gardens. John shares his wisdom regularly on TV and radio, including appearances on BBC2's Gardening Stories, Gardener's World and BBC Radio Devon's Potting Shed. Numerous articles have been written by him and about him in the national press, including the *Daily Telegraph*, *Vogue*, *Amateur Gardening* and *Country Life*.

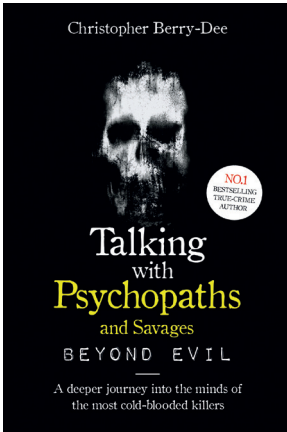
TRUE CRIME & REAL LIFE STORY

Talking With Psychopaths and Savages

Beyond Evil

Talking With Stalkers

Christopher Berry-Dee



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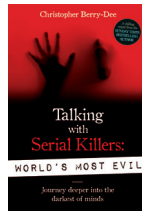
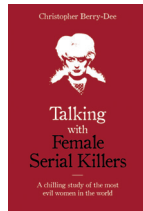
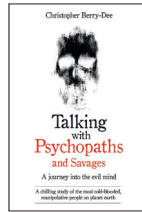
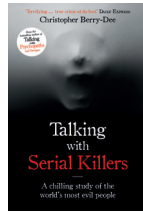
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The bestselling true-crime series, with over 300,000 copies sold in aggregate in the UK alone.

Christopher Berry-Dee is the man who talks to serial killers. A world-renowned investigative criminologist, he has gained the trust of murderers across the world, entered their high-security prisons, and discussed in detail their shocking crimes.

In the *Talking With* series, he takes readers deep inside the dark minds of some of the most dangerous people alive. Not only does he describe his meetings with notorious serial killers and other heinous criminals, he also reproduces, verbatim, their very words as they describe their crimes, allowing the reader a glimpse into the most evil minds. Having spent years interviewing them, he also discovered that the lack of remorse these people showed was in many ways even more terrifying than the crimes they had committed.

Christopher Berry-Dee has no equal as the author of hard-hitting studies of the killers who often walk among us undetected for many years, and who in so many cases seem to be acting entirely against their natures.

CHRISTOPHER BERRY-DEE is a world-renowned investigative criminologist and former editor of *The New Criminologist* magazine. He does not shy from visiting prisons to interview some of the most disturbed murderers who are behind bars—gaining their trust and delving into the depths of their minds.

Night Stalker

How I Brought a Serial Predator to Justice

Colin Sutton



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The second real-life case from detective and bestselling author, Colin Sutton.

What does it take to catch a predator who has terrorised southeast England for over fifteen years?

Delroy Grant - dubbed the Night Stalker - was one of London's most feared and shocking sex predators. During his seventeen-year reign of fear, he established a clear MO. Target an elderly woman, living alone. Visit them at night. Remove a window pane and slide in. Unscrew the lightbulbs. Cut the power at the electricity meter. Rip out the telephone wires. Tiptoe to the bedroom. Wake the victim by shining a torch in their eyes. What followed for his terrified victims was often unspeakable.

When SIO Colin Sutton was drafted into the case, Grant had been at large for over a decade. Stepping up where others had failed, he began the determined, relentless police work that had marked the end for infamous serial killer Levi Bellfield. Case by case, clue by clue.

Night Stalker is the chilling true story of one of the most testing manhunts the Metropolitan Police have ever undertaken. It is a glimpse into the heart of darkness - and into the mind and work of the brilliant detective who brought one of London's most feared monsters to justice.

COLIN SUTTON was a Senior Investigating Officer in the Metropolitan Police from 2003 to 2011, leading more than thirty successful murder investigations, notably the Levi Bellfield case and the successful re-investigation of the seventeen-year reign of terror of the 'Night Stalker' Delroy Grant. He's the bestselling author of *Manhunt*.

The West End Girls

One Detective's Hunt For a Savage Serial Killer

Colin Sutton



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The third real-life case from detective and bestselling author, Colin Sutton.

Three brutal murders, spanning five years across the reaches of West London in the 1970s. A playboy model, tied to a mattress with her throat cut. A schoolgirl, raped and bludgeoned to death. A casino croupier and mother of two, savagely stabbed to death at her home.

Now, former Met detective Colin Sutton opens the book on this most notorious of cold cases, and sets out to track down a killer who has evaded justice for four decades.

In *The West End Girls*, Sutton lays bare the motives and methods of a serial killer, examining who could have committed such a horrific string of murders and shining a light on the evidence to follow the clues toward a new suspect.

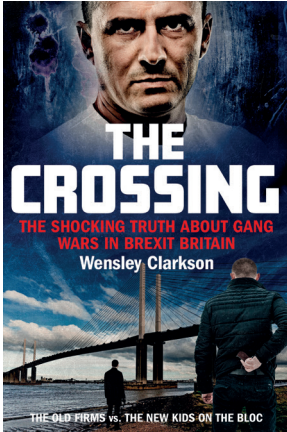
This is high-profile, life-or-death police work at its most important, and serial-killer hunting at its most enthralling.

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The Crossing

A Shocking Exposé on Gang Turf Wars in Brexit Britain

Wensley Clarkson



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A gripping true crime exposé centring around The Dartford Crossing – the battleground of an intense war between old school British gangsters and Eastern European gangs in light of Brexit.

For the past decade European gangsters have been fighting a turf war with homegrown British gangsters for control of the criminal badlands of London, Kent, Essex and throughout the UK. Many of these foreign gangs see Kent and Essex as a stepping-stone to the total domination of the British underworld.

In the two years since the Brexit referendum this war has intensified with European gangsters deliberately setting out to win and establish their businesses, both illicit and legitimate, before the UK leaves the EU.

The stakes are worth billions of pounds. On one side are the so-called 'New Kids on the Block': Eastern Europeans, who have muscled in and boast that within the next five years they will crush all others and dominate the British criminal underworld. On the other side is the 'Establishment': the old school, British-based crime syndicates that have been working this area for decades. They own homes, send their kids to area schools, are known denizens of the local pubs and football pitches.

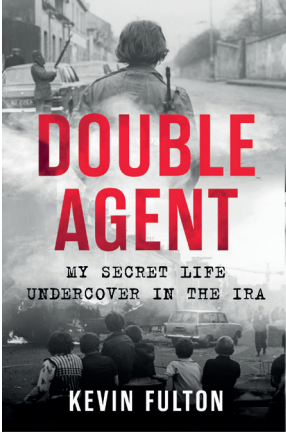
Kent and Essex are connected by the Dartford Crossing – a transport hub for slave, drugs and arms traders as well as killers and fugitives. *The Crossing* is the crucial piece of real estate in this bloody battle and the chilling setting for this hard-hitting, access-driven insight into modern day gang warfare, that takes the reader behind-the-scenes of a lethal struggle for domination.

Acclaimed true crime author WENSLEY CLARKSON has had books published in more than 30 countries, selling almost 2 million copies in total. The author of bestselling *Gangs of Britain* and *Gang Wars of London*, his work includes biographies on John Palmer's criminal associate Kenneth Noye, Godfather of London Billy Hill and legendary south London criminal Jimmy Moody. His 2016 book *Sexy Beasts*, about the Hatton Garden Heist was nominated for a prestigious Crime Writer's Association Dagger award.

Double Agent

My Secret Life Undercover in the IRA

Kevin Fulton



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The shocking true story of life as a double agent inside the IRA.

Early on a Saturday morning in August 1998, a car was parked in Omagh's high street. By the afternoon, the pavements had filled with shoppers, and then explosives packed inside the vehicle detonated. The force of the blast blew babies across the street, and tore the limbs from children. One body was identified only by its fingerprints. It was the worst single atrocity of the Troubles. Only it could have been avoided.

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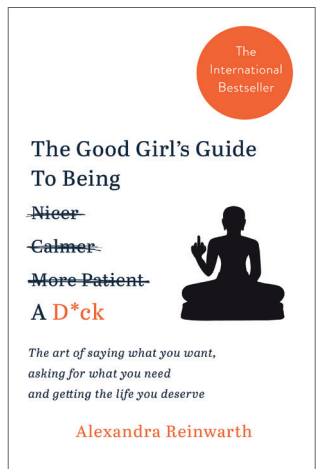
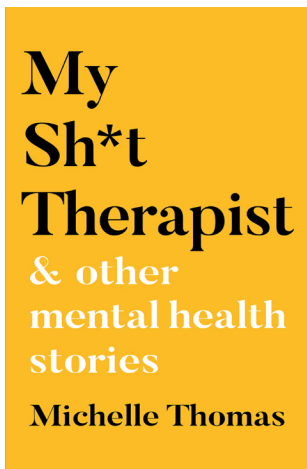
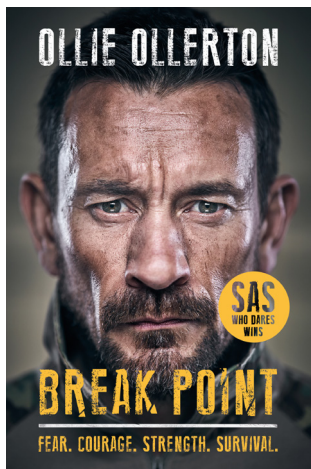
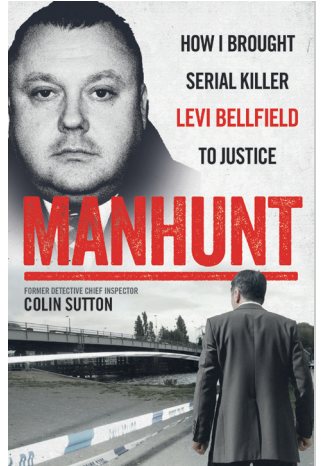
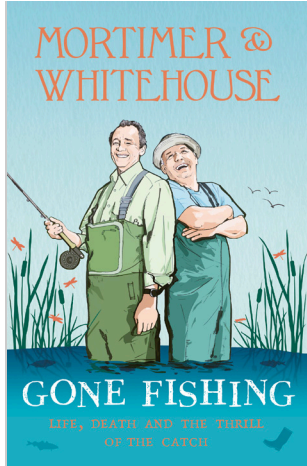
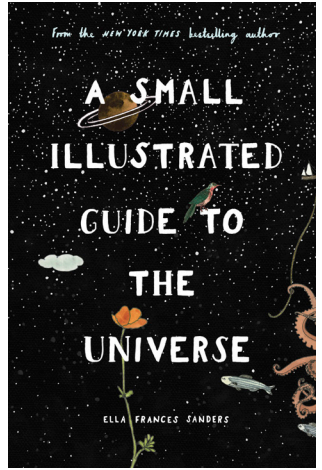
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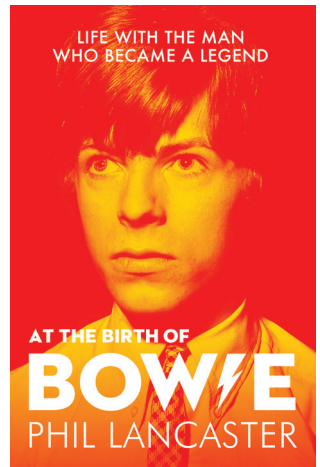
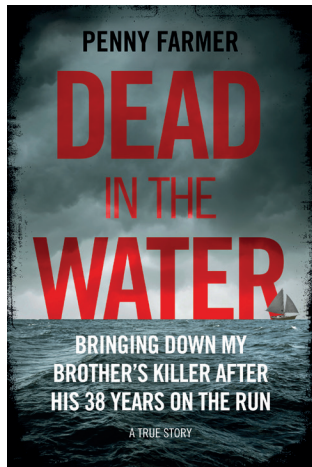
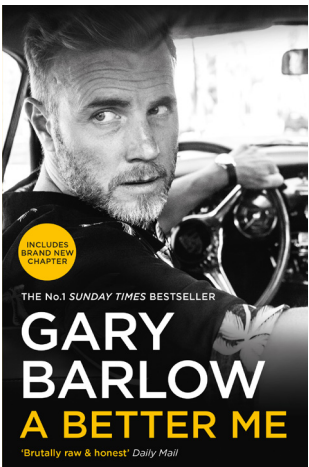
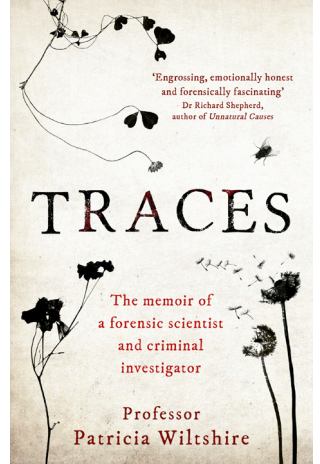
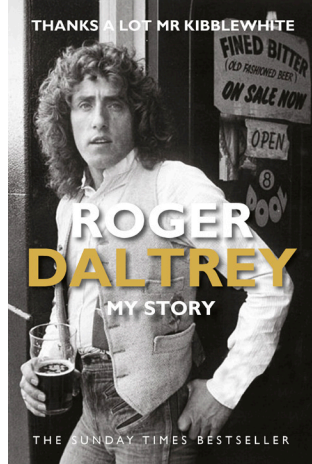
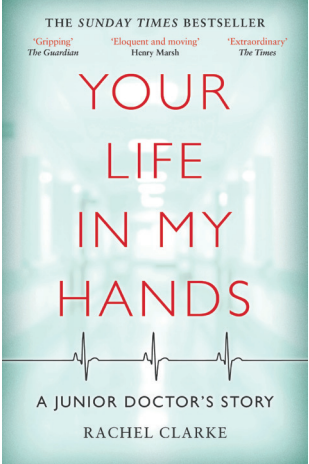
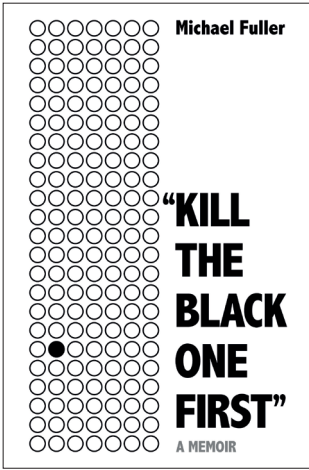
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