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Stories of Hope

Finding Inspiration in Everyday Lives

Heather Morris



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‘Stories are what connect us, and remind us that hope is always possible.’ Heather Morris, Author of *The Tattooist of Auschwitz*.

Heather Morris grew up in rural New Zealand. As a young girl she would sit at her grandfather’s feet and listen as he spoke to her about his experiences of war – stories he told no one but Heather. She discovered that people would entrust her with their most sacred stories if she stopped and listened.

In *Stories of Hope*, Heather will explore the art of listening – a skill she employed when she met Lale Sokolov, the tattooist of Auschwitz. It was her ability to really hear what he was trying to tell her, that led him to pick Heather to tell his extraordinary story of courage, survival and love against all odds.

HEATHER MORRIS is an international number one bestselling author, who is passionate about stories of survival, resilience and hope. Her novels *The Tattooist of Auschwitz* and *Cilka’s Journey* have been published in 52 countries throughout the world.

Always Pack a Spare Pair of Pants

A Celebration of Female Solo Travel

Kate Wills



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The triumphs and tribulations of a woman travelling solo.

Kate Wills wasn’t expecting to be divorced after six months of marriage. She wasn’t expecting to be remaking a life that had, for the last twelve years with her partner, seemed so stable and fixed. But at 33, this is where she found herself.

Luckily, her job as a travel journalist offered her the perfect opportunity to escape from it all, something she’d be doing since she was young and coping with her parents’ highly dysfunctional relationship. But this time she began to search history for female travellers to inspire her. In doing so, she discovered Nellie Bly, who made it round the globe in just 72 days in 1889 and the uber-cool Emily Hahn, a *New Yorker* writer who lived in Beijing for most of the 1920s, amongst many others.

For anyone who has dreamed of leaving it all behind, and perhaps got a little way down the road, before the doubts and fears kicked in. Looking back through history, Kate will invoke some of the astonishing women who’ve broken free and cleared the path for us to do the same.

Chronicling her most memorable journeys, the women who inspired them and her best solo travel tips (and ways to avoid disaster), *Always Pack a Spare Pair of Pants* is a funny, heartfelt invitation to take that trip to wherever your heart is calling.

KATE WILLIS is a freelance travel and features writer for *The Times*, *The Guardian*, *ES Magazine*, *Grazia*, *The Telegraph*, *Marie Claire*, *Elle* and many more. She has also worked as a consultant for brands including Mr & Mrs Smith, Snapchat, Procter & Gamble and Acuvue. She hosts panel discussions and appears as a commentator on Sky News, National Geographic Channel and BBC radio.

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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An inspiring collection that, day-by-day, 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.

On This Day She sets out to redress this imbalance and give voice to those history has 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 maligned, left out and erased, here's to you: it's time you were given the space you have always deserved.

TANIA HERSHMAN, AILSA HOLLAND and JO BELL are all poets and writers who joined together to form the twitter account OnThisDayShe which celebrates the lives of women throughout history.

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
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Julie Walters/ Werner Herzog/ Roger Moore
Jamie Oliver/ Ian McEwan/ Bear Grylls
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Letters from remarkable people to their younger selves, in a 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.

10 Rules for Talking

An Expert's Guide to Mastering Difficult Conversations

Tim Harkness



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A top psychologist's guide to resolving conflict at work, at home and in the public sphere.

Psychologist Tim Harkness has noticed that everyone is shouting, but nobody is listening.

We need to find a new way of talking. Aren't we all born with an innate talent for communication and connection? And yet, in an age of Brexit and Trump, where social media provides a platform for instantaneous, unfettered opinion, doesn't it sometimes feel that we've lost our ability to move our discussions forward?

In the modern world, as our conversations and tone become ever-more adversarial we can find ourselves alienated from those who don't share precisely our opinion. Climate change, diversity, TimesUp, Twitter spats, two-party political systems - the list of intense debate-generating topics goes on, but resolution often feels further away than ever. And it's not just in the public sphere where we can improve - at home, in our friendships, with our family, at work, we need to find a new way to talk productively.

10 Rules for Talking is a timely guide to help us retrain our brains. Focussing on 'crucial' conversations where opinions vary, emotions are running strong and the stakes are high, Tim's ten rules will help you listen, persuade, respond, adapt and - most importantly - keep the conversation progressing.

Discover how to recognise that conversations and agreement are not as simple as we think, the importance of de-escalation to keep conversations safe, and why we must always respect our opponent, even if we don't always see eye-to-eye.

Welcome to a new way of talking.

TIM HARKNESS is a world-class performance psychologist and sports scientist, and has been working in his fields for nearly 20 years. Tim grew up in South Africa in the 70's and 80's, 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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Break bad habits, build resilience and reach a higher state of focus and potential with SAS 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 reckless disregard for his own life.

In *Battle Ready* Ollie shares the step-by-step plan that changed his life. From finding purpose and visualising an outcome, to breaking bad habits and establishing positive new routines, his advice will help readers to get ready for any battle.

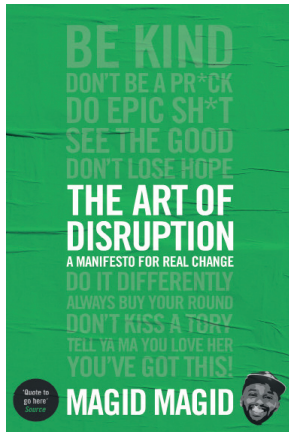
MATTHEW 'OLLIE' OLLERTON is a former Special Forces soldier. At the age of 18, Ollie joined the Royal Marine Commandos and toured operationally in Northern Ireland and Iraq for Operation Desert Storm.

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).

The Art of Disruption

A Manifesto For Real 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).

The Hidden Lives of Dreams

What They Tell Us and How They Can Change Our World

Melinda Powell



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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, psychoanalyst and 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 *The Hidden Lives of Dreams*, 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.

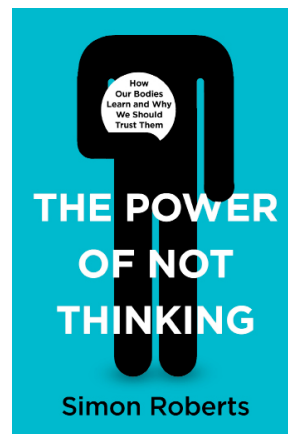
A Midlife Cyclist is the uplifting, inspirational tale of how Rachel found herself again, using the only thing she knew would work - moving her feet.

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.

The Power of Not Thinking

How Our Bodies Learn and Why We Should Trust Them

Simon Roberts



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A fascinating and revelatory look at how we learn unconsciously through our bodies and how understanding this can transform our lives.

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 brilliant new book, business anthropologist Simon Roberts breaks down the revolutionary idea of embodied knowledge: the information that is unconsciously picked up by our body for use in almost every area of our lives.

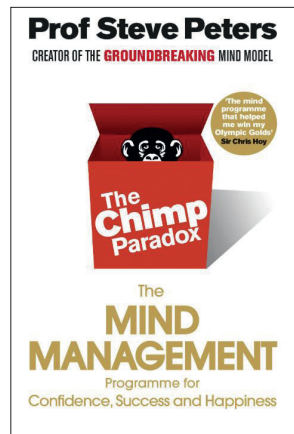
Drawing on his own experience working with some of the world's leading industry experts and looking at an incredible range of real-life examples and cutting-edge science, Roberts explains the various ways in which our body acquires, retains and employs information - and shows why we should learn to trust the instincts that inform the most crucial decisions and actions in our life.

In *The Power of Not Thinking*, Roberts shows why Big Data doesn't have all the answers, why there are limits to what's possible with AI and why humans are capable of far more than we are currently led to believe.

We just have to stop thinking and trust our bodies.

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. 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*.

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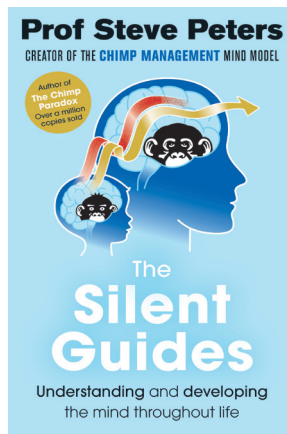
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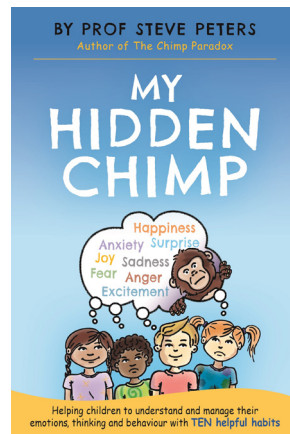
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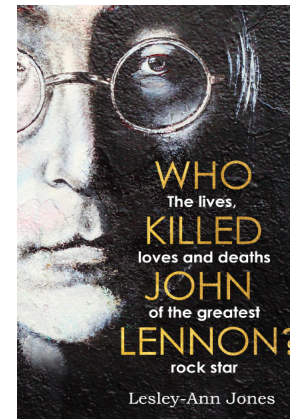
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Who Killed John Lennon? The Lives, Loves and Deaths of the Greatest Rock Star Lesley-Ann Jones



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A definitive new book on 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 exploration, 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.

In Her Room

How Music Helped Me Connect with My Autistic Daughter

James Cook



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A fascinating exploration of the multi-faceted link between autism and music and a brutally honest account of the stages parents go through in their fight to support an autistic child.

James Cook takes us with him on a heart-breaking journey from thinking his daughter Emily is a late bloomer to worrying there is something more serious going on, from London to Frankfurt and from denial to acceptance.

Emily had a marked response to music, but never pointed at anything, and hadn't crawled yet. Every time she cried the only thing that seemed to calm her down was music. And then she never uttered a word... It took almost two and a half years and many tests in two countries to get the diagnosis that she is severely autistic. During this time, music was the only way to bring his girl closer to him. As a musician, led by instinct, from very early on, James got in the habit of playing the guitar to her every day, singing his favourite songs, creating routines of sounds and melodies.

In her room Emily is in autistic space where she can be herself... She is "in her room" in another sense too: alone in her own mental world and James feels that, as a parent, it is his duty to coax her out of her room, take her with him, so that she may grow and find her place in the world – and music is the way of reaching out to her.

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*.

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.

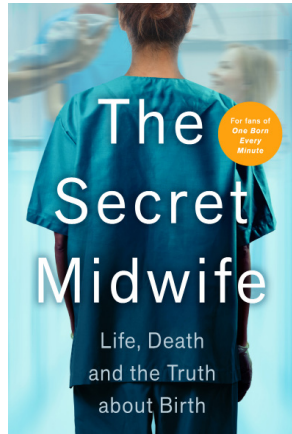
Lysa was an Accident and Emergency (A&E) nurse and paramedic for over twenty years. Here, she tells the inside story behind the screaming sirens and flashing blue lights of the emergency services and reveals what it's really like to work in a job that brings paramedic teams face-to-face with death -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

Anonymous



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Birth is one of the most defining, ubiquitous moments of human existence and there, from the very start to the very end, are the midwives who help us navigate it safely.

Strongest supporter, best friend, expert, cheerleader and chief photographer... Before, during and after labour the role of a midwife is second to none. *The Secret Midwife* reveals the highs and lows on the frontline of the maternity unit, from the mother who tries to give herself a DIY caesarean to the baby born into witness protection, and from surprise infants that arrive down toilets to ones that turn up in the lift.

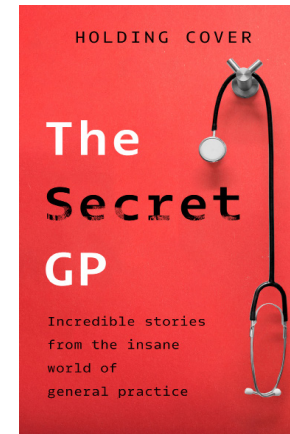
What happens when the system which is supposed to support the midwives and the women they care for is starting to crumble? Short-staffed, over worked and underappreciated - these crippling conditions are taking their toll on the dedicated staff and the consequences can be very serious indeed.

The Secret Midwife is a heart-breaking, engrossing and important read. At once joyful and profoundly shocking, this is the story of birth, straight from the delivery room.

The Secret Doctor

Incredible Stories from the Insane World of Medicine

Anonymous



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Angrier than *The Secret Barrister*, funnier than Adam Kay, and with stories that would make them both blush, *The Secret Doctor* is an amazing look at the true frontlines of medicine.

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

Everyone thinks they know about the life of a doctor, but you really have no idea.

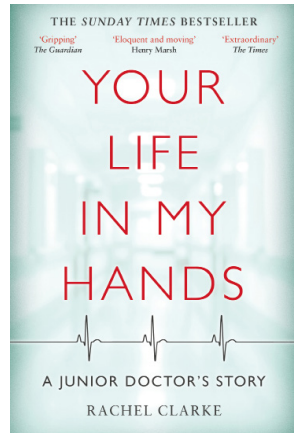
In this journey into the insane world behind the curtain of a clinic, where patients bring their growths, feelings, injuries and existential crisis, *The Secret Doctor* explains why this is the most fascinating, frustrating and fun area of medicine.

As well as capturing the stories of everyone from those who should have gone to the hospital months ago to those who really should just go to a therapist, he reveals 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 Google it beforehand.

Your Life in My Hands

A Junior Doctor's Story

Rachel Clarke



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A *Sunday Times* bestseller from the author of *Dear Life*.

I am a junior doctor. It is 4 a.m. I have run arrest calls, treated life-threatening bleeding, held the hand of a young woman dying of cancer, scuttled down miles of dim corridors wanting to sob with sheer exhaustion, forgotten to eat, forgotten to drink, drawn on every fibre of strength that I possess to keep my patients safe from harm.

How does it feel to be spat out of medical school into a world of pain, loss and trauma that you feel wholly ill-equipped to handle? To be a medical novice who makes decisions which - if you get them wrong - might forever alter, or end, a person's life?

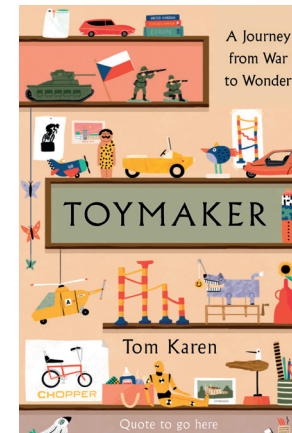
In *Your Life in My Hands*, television journalist turned junior doctor Rachel Clarke captures the extraordinary realities of life on the emergency frontline. During the historic junior doctor strikes, Rachel was at the forefront of the campaign against the government's imposed contract upon young doctors. Her heartfelt, deeply personal account of life as a junior doctor is both a powerful polemic and a love letter of optimism and hope to the health service.

Before going to medical school, Dr RACHEL CLARKE was a television journalist and documentary maker. She now specialises in palliative medicine - caring deeply about helping patients live the end of their lives as fully and richly as possible - and in the power of human stories to build empathy and inspire change.

Toymaker

A Journey From War to Wonder

Tom Karen



June 2020
320 pp, HB

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Madiya Altaf

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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. His work-bench is a vibrant collage of creativity, from hand-drawn maps and postcards to newly devised toys for his ever-spoilt grandchildren and their friends. He's a real-life 'Geppetto': a man who lives for children and for creativity. Should his toys ever come to life they would have such a story to tell.

Toymaker takes us on a journey from his early life in Czechoslovakia and fleeing Nazi Germany across continental Europe, his formative years in the UK as a Jewish immigrant 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.

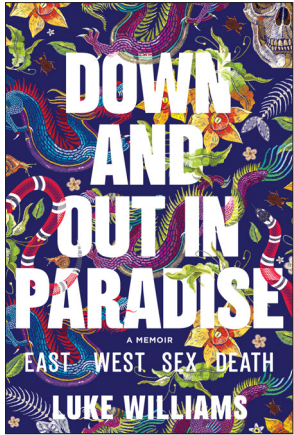
TOM KAREN was born in Czechoslovakia in 1926 into a wealthy Jewish family. Following the rise of Nazi Germany, he had to flee his home country, settling in the UK via Belgium, France and Spain. It was at Ogle Design where Tom reached the height of his profession, inventing the Chopper bike, the Marble 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.

Down and Out in Paradise

East, West, Sex, Death

Luke Williams



September 2019
304 pp, TPB

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Angela Meyer

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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, 'self-esteem' 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.

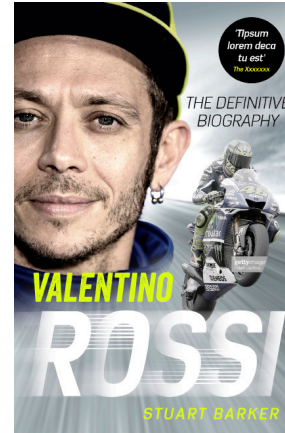
In this searingly honest book, Luke invites you into his headspace as he travels all over Asia. He spends a month working as a prostitute in Pattaya, eats snake heart in Vietnam and consults an American medium in Ubud, while tracing the history of Westerners - from the Greeks to Marco Polo and the colonialists - 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*.

Valentino Rossi

The Definitive Biography

Stuart Barker



November 2020
320 pp, HB

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James Hodgkinson

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This is a story of speed, love and loss - the definitive biography of the world's most legendary motorsports racer.

At high speed everything becomes more difficult and more beautiful. When you're racing at 180mph the semi-bends become bends, the little holes become big holes, everything becomes extreme and bigger. And then it becomes beautiful.

Valentino Rossi is an icon: the most successful and well-loved motorcycle racer of all time, he transcended MotoGP to become a symbol of courage, risk and daring. Racing for twenty-three years at the highest level of the world's most dangerous sport, he is a modern-day gladiator, a man who still risks his life every time he throws a leg over a motorcycle.

His popularity is phenomenal. For Rossi, every race is a home race. He turns MotoGP grandstands across the world a sea of yellow: his traditional lucky colour.

In more than two decades of Grand Prix racing, Rossi has seen it all. The deaths of rivals and friends, the glory of his unprecedented success, serious injuries, wealth and infamous altercations.

Using exclusive new interviews with those who have been part of Rossi's story from start to finish, critically-acclaimed and bestselling motorsport author Stuart Barker has produced the most in-depth book ever written about the Italian superstar: a tale of speed, love and loss, told in full for the very first time, in all its adrenalin-charged, high-octane glory.

STUART BARKER has written six motorcycling books including a bestselling biography of Barry Sheene. He has also written for publications including *Motor Cycle News* and *Motorcycle Sport*. He is currently the editor of the official Isle of Man TT and Classic TT/Manx Grand Prix programmes.

How To Be an F1 Driver

Jenson Button



October 2019
304 pp, HB

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Editor:
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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 include the Jenson Button Triathlon raising money for Help For Heroes, Cancer Research and now Barnardo'. He's the bestselling author of *Life to The Limit*.

Ultimate Football Heroes

Collect Them All

Matt Oldfield and Tom Oldfield



176 pp, PB

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Laura Pollard

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An epic series of stories of the greatest football heroes, perfect for middle grade readers (8-12).

Over 550,000 gross sales across the series in English alone!

Latest titles include: Kante, Lacazette, Alisson, Rashford, Dele Alli, Alexander-Arnold.

There are **52 titles** available in the series.

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.

Written in fast-paced, action-packed style, these books are perfect for all the family to collect and share.

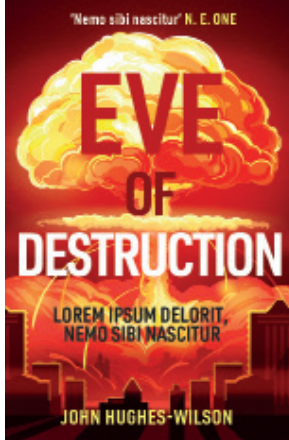
MATT OLDFIELD is an accomplished writer and the editor-in-chief of football review site *Of Pitch and Page*.

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

Eve of Destruction

The Inside Story of Our Alarming, Secretive and Dangerous Nuclear World

Colonel John Hughes-Wilson



July 2020
304 pp, HB

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Toby Buchan

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Leading military historian exposes just how close we have come to genuine nuclear disaster.

Truman evidently understood the terrifying power of atomic weaponry, but no one could have realised its full potential when he ordered the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in August 1945. Those military attacks, along with the disasters at the Fukushima and Chernobyl nuclear reactors, might immediately spring to mind at the mention of nuclear destruction, but the vast majority of the events recorded in this book are entirely unknown to most people. This book records the facts - many of them still shrouded in secrecy - which show a worrying truth: we have teetered precariously on the brink of Armageddon far more frequently than the general public realises.

Since that first and last atomic war in 1945, there have been a terrifying number of nuclear accidents and mishaps, from the careless or accidental to the genuinely intentional and only narrowly averted. Despite the catastrophic nature of any nuclear conflict, we have come to the very borders of such a situation ten times since the 1960s.

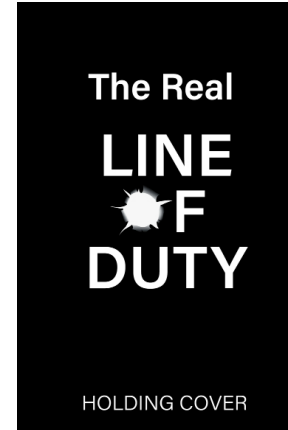
Eve of Destruction is a warning from history - recent history. It is a call to sit up and listen, and to take note of the very real danger of nuclear catastrophe. It is a timely and important book because, after all, the future of our planet has to concern us all.

Colonel JOHN HUGHES-WILSON is a leading military historian, and a well-reviewed author and commentator on a wide range of intelligence and military history subjects. He was selected to be the author of the Imperial War Museum's *A History of the First World War in 100 Objects* for 2014, the centenary of the start of the Great War. He also wrote *Intelligence Blunders*, which was found at Osama Bin Laden's bedside and has become a CIA textbook.

He has been a frequent broadcaster for BBC television and radio. During his twenty-five years in the Intelligence Corps and as a Special Forces operations officer, he saw active service in the Falkland Islands, Cyprus, Arabia and Northern Ireland, as well as in the dangerous jungles of Whitehall and NATO.

The Real Line of Duty

Wensley Clarkson



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True stories of police corruption and the secret units who hunt them - for fans of the Netflix series.

The series five finale of *Line of Duty* was the most watched programme of 2019 so far, with a consolidated viewing figure of 13.7 million. Series six is expected to be aired in the middle of 2020 and will no doubt attract an even bigger audience. In *The Real Line of Duty*, we explore the real inspiration behind the hit show, looking back at the history of corruption in the police, and the anti-corruption units that were set up to sniff out the bent coppers among the good.

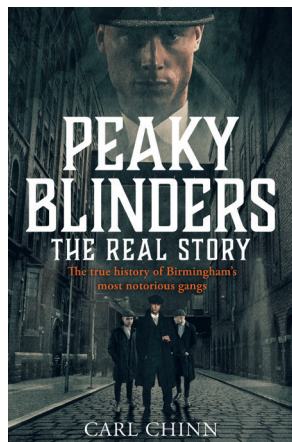
Referencing real-life historic and notable cases and people, from a range of sources and first-person interviews, *The Real Line of Duty* tells the truth behind the fiction and its hard-hitting impact on real life modern policing.

WENSLEY CLARKSON has investigated numerous crimes across the world for the past thirty years and exposed many crooked police officers. His research has included prison visits, surveillance operations, police raids and even post mortems. Clarkson's books - published in more than thirty countries - have sold more than two million copies. He has made numerous documentaries in the UK, US, Australia and Spain and written TV and movie screenplays. His most recent major TV project is Florida-based drama series *Boca Grande* which he created, developed and wrote with BAFTA award-winning *Peaky Blinders* director David Carey. Clarkson's recent book *Sexy Beasts* - about the Hatton Garden raid - was nominated for a Crime Writers' Association Dagger award.

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.

Peaky Blinders: The Legacy

The True History of Birmingham's Most Notorious Gang

Carl Chinn



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The follow-up to the incredible Sunday Times bestseller, *The Peaky Blinders: The Real Story*.

Well-known social historian, broadcaster and author, Carl Chinn, revealed the true story of the notorious gang in his bestselling *Peaky Blinders: The Real Story* and now in this follow-up book, he explores the legacy they created in Birmingham and beyond. What happened to them and their gangland rivals?

In *Peaky Blinders: The Legacy* we revisit the world of Billy Kimber's Peaky Blinders, exploring their legacy throughout the 1920s and 30s, and how their burgeoning empires spread across the UK. Delve into the street wars across the country, the impact of the declaration of War on Gangs by the Home Secretary after The Racecourse War in 1921, and how black-market bookmaking gave way to new and daring opportunities for the likes of Sabini, Alfie Solomon and some new faces in the murky gangland underworld.

Drawing on Carl's inimitable research, interviews and original sources, find out just what happened to this incredible cast of characters, revealing the true legacy of the Peaky Blinders.

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9/11 Conspiracy Theories

David Gardner

9/11 CONSPIRACY THEORIES

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288 pp, PB

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Toby Buchan

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David Gardner examines the facts and theories surrounding the 9/11 attacks, seeking truth in hidden - or officially suppressed - information.

Nearly twenty years ago, on 11 September 2001, four passenger aircrafts were hijacked and flown into the World Trade Center in New York, the Pentagon near Washington and a field in Shanksville, Pennsylvania. Nearly three thousand people were killed. The narrative in the weeks and months that followed seemed straightforward: the attacks had been masterminded by Al Qaeda leader, Osama bin Laden, an embittered terrorist with an abiding hatred of the West. But, as the twenty-year anniversary approaches, that neat explanation still fails to answer some important questions surrounding that fateful day.

How did World Trade Center Building 7 - 100 yards from the Twin Towers - collapse so quickly and symmetrically when it had not been hit?

How could two rogue aircrafts bring down three towers?

Did the US government help orchestrate the attacks as an 'inside job'?

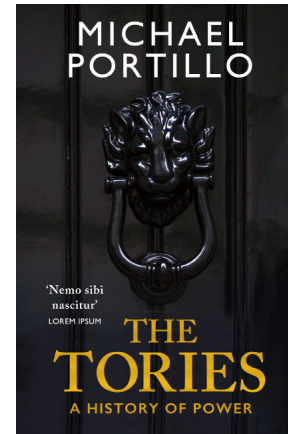
9/11 Conspiracy Theories seeks the truth, not only of what we do know about 9/11, but also what has been intentionally hidden from us. Researching these stories with the help of strong first-person reporting and an in-depth examination of documentation released under freedom-of-information protocols, this book sheds new light on one of history's most tragic and troubling episodes, which shattered for ever the myth of America as a country immune to international terrorism.

David Gardner is a journalist, currently working as the US Correspondent for the London *Evening Standard*. He has worked for the *Daily Mail* as a crime writer and senior foreign correspondent. He moved to California as the *Mail's* Los Angeles Correspondent, which saw him cover four presidential elections and all the biggest US stories of the past two decades.

The Tories

A History of Power

Michael Portillo



October 2020
368 pp, HB

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An accessible and revelatory insight into the Conservative Party, written by historian, broadcaster and former cabinet minister Michael Portillo.

On the 12th of December last year The Conservative Party won a landslide majority in the 2019 General Election. With that victory, they were acclaimed for having won over a whole new section of the electorate, destroying the red wall Labour has historically held in the north and breaking the assumption that the Tories could never be the party of the people.

In this fascinating new book, ex-MP and former Conservative cabinet member Michael Portillo provides a first-hand account of the inner workings of the Tories, studying the history that led to this moment and what it could mean for the future. As well as providing insights from his own time at the heart of government and the experiences of many of his former colleagues and friends, the expert historian studies the DNA of the party and traces the characteristics that have shaped its identity since it was founded in the early nineteenth century.

In this authoritative account, Portillo analyses everything from the Tories' prioritising of power and their focus on leadership to their connection with the monarchy, the economy, patriotism and, of course, Europe. And, in doing so, he captures what The Tories really stand for.

MICHAEL PORTILLO was an MP for nearly twenty years. Since retiring from active politics in 2005, Michael has enjoyed a successful media career, becoming a regular guest on BBC One's weekly political discussion programme *This Week*, and making three documentary series: *Great British Railway Journeys* for BBC Two, *Portillo's Hidden History of Britain* for Channel 5 and *The Trouble with the Tories* for Channel 5, aired before the 2019 General Election. As well as being a long-serving member of the panel on BBC Radio 4's *The Moral Maze*, Michael has also written regular columns for *The Sunday Times* and contributed to a number of other newspapers and magazines.

The Crown Volume II

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

Robert Lacey



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Ukraine (Folio)

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.

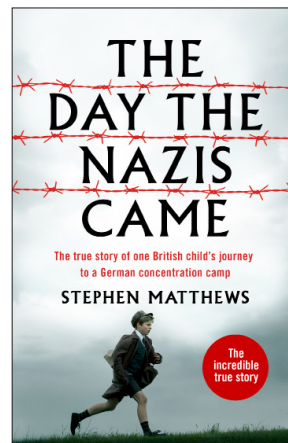
Extensively researched and complete with beautifully reproduced photographs, this is a unique look behind the history that inspired the show and the years that would prove to be the making of The Queen.

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.

The Day the Nazis Came

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

Stephen Matthews



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By the time he was six years old, Stephen had been deported to a concentration camp in the heart of Hitler's Third Reich.

Stephen Matthews 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.

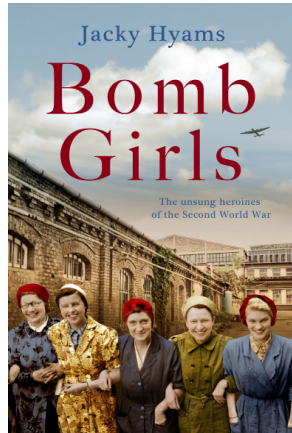
STEPHEN MATTHEWS was born in Guernsey in 1938 and following the barbaric German invasion of the Channel Islands, in 1940, he was illegally deported to Germany by late 1942, with his father and mother. They were eventually liberated by Free French forces in 1945.

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. Today he lives and writes in France and China.

Bomb Girls

The Munitions Women of World War II

Jacky Hyams



March 2020, Reissue
288 pp, PB

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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: stories of women whose resilience and sheer grit in the face of danger has only recently been acknowledged.

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.

The Natural Gardener

A Lifetime of Gardening by the Phases of the Moon

John Harris



September 2020, Reissue
288 pp, HB

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Ellie Carr

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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*.

MumLife

What Nobody Ever Tells You About Being A Mum

Louise Pentland



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The beautiful motherhood memoir 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 has 8 million combined followers across her social platforms. She is also a bestselling author and creator and host of the podcast Mothers' Meeting. She writes for *Mother & Baby* magazine and featured on the 2019 'Sunday Times Top 100 Influencers' list.

Everything You Need to Know About Breastfeeding

Solid Advice, Solutions & Self-Care for Every Parent

Chantelle Champs



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A modern, up-to-date, friendly and non-judgemental breastfeeding guide with expert advice for all mums.

In her down-to-earth style, Chantelle will act as your guide and support system as you prepare to breastfeed, including:

- Preparing before birth
- What to expect in the early days
- Milestones to reach
- Breastfeeding in public and going back to work
- Problems to look out for with tried and tested solutions
- ...and much more

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 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.

In personal notes, Chantelle tells her own story of motherhood and breastfeeding, including the issues she experienced and how she ended up tandem feeding her twins after their premature births. *Everything You Need to Know About Breastfeeding* shares other real mums' stories of breastfeeding, mental health and body image, so that you know whatever you choose and are going through, you are not alone.

CHANTELLE CHAMPS 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. She is also an ambassador for the charity It Takes A Village, which aims to make pregnancy and childbirth safe for every mother, all over the world.

Healthy Fuss-Free Batch Family Cooking

100 Easy Recipes That Will Save You Time, Money & Stress

Ciara Attwell

Ciara Attwood

HEALTHY FUSS-FREE BATCH FAMILY COOKING

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Are you a batch beginner? Ciara will show you everything you need to know to make batch cooking work for you and your family.

You have limited time to prepare and cook meals in the evening. You spend too much on your weekly shop. You waste too much food. You want to feed yourself and your children healthy recipes.

Does this sound like you? Ciara Attwell is back with the book every parent has been waiting for: healthy, easy, fuss-free recipes to save you time, money and stress.

Ciara delivers 100 recipes for batch cooking for your family, teaching you to cook smarter - not harder. Ranging from 20-minute one pot wonders to slow-cooking all day recipes, all meals will come with instructions for batch cooking, giving you another meal to put in the freezer or fridge for a busier day. Family-friendly recipes remain at no.1 food blogger Ciara's core, and all food will use simple and easy to find ingredients, with helpful tips and tricks for fussy eaters, as well as allergies.

CIARA ATTWELL is a 35-year-old mum of two young children. She set up a blog called *My Fussy Eater* in April 2014, just after her son was born. She wanted to create meals that catered for the whole family in one go, rather than needing to cook separate meals for her fussy eaters. MyFussyEater.com was born, and in just over two and a half years was one of the leading family food blogs in the UK.

Eat. Sleep. Rave. Reheat.

How to Survive and Thrive in Your Student Kitchen

Chris Stark



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A humorous but practical cookery guide for students by Radio 1 DJ, Chris Stark.

Chris Stark was once just like you. A wide-eyed kitchen novice who couldn't tell a cordon bleu from a courgette. A lost soul who boiled his pasta in the kettle. A hopeless dreamer who destroyed his toaster after turning it on its side to make toasties.

All that has changed.

After years of secretly being in pursuit of the perfect student recipes, he comes to you armed with a hard-won immunity to salmonella and one deep truth: in the student kitchen, there are only three commandments that matter: let all food be practical, Instagrammable and dead cheap.

This book will arm you with the inspiration to knock together meals for any occasion: speedy eats, detox dishes, one-pot wizardry, food for thought, food for sport, date night delights, party food, 'DIY takeaway solutions' and headline-time starvation rations - all with the guarantee of being delicious, nutritious and costing much, much less than your last library fine.

Students up and down the country, heed the call: *Eat. Sleep. Rave. Reheat.* is the only cookbook you'll need in 2020. Or ever, really.

CHRIS STARK can be heard on BBC Radio 1 with Scott Mills, as well as on the award winning BBC 5Live podcast *That Peter Crouch Podcast*. Chris also regularly appears on *BBC's Saturday Kitchen* appearing as a guest on both VT and in studio, exploring subjects such as cuisine at football matches and Christmas menus at top London hotels, and is a keen writer, having contributed to several publications.

Easy Peasy Doggy Squeezy

Your Simple Step-by-step Guide to Raising and Training a Happy Puppy or Dog

Steve Mann



Hundreds of your biggest dog-training questions answered by the No.1 dog trainer and bestselling author.

What should I expect when I adopt a rescue dog?
How can I stop my dog from barking at strangers?
How do I teach an older dog, new tricks?

Steve Mann knows dogs. His incredible ability to understand dogs quickly has earned Steve the gratitude of over 100,000 dogs and their owners everywhere, including a host of celebrities.

Easy Peasy Doggy Squeezy provides solutions to hundreds of dog training problems, including socialising, excessive barking and recall. Steve passes on his wisdom gained from working with thousands of dogs throughout his career. He teaches owners how to work out what kind of pet carer they are and what techniques will work best with their pup. Believing that dogs need to be treated ethically, with good habits rewarded, Steve has developed a fun and practical programme that works with dogs however old they are and whatever their breed and personality.

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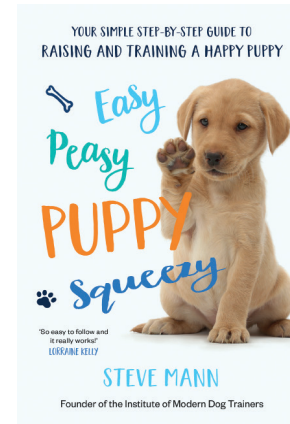
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STEVE MANN has been a full-time dog trainer for over 20 years. He has trained thousands of dogs and hundreds of professional dog trainers. He is founder and chairman of the Institute of Modern Dog Trainers and presents seminars, courses and workshops for dog trainers and behaviourists worldwide.



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Easy Peasy Puppy Squeezy

Your Simple Step-by-step Guide to Raising and Training a Happy Puppy

Steve Mann

The must-have dog book for anyone who has or is thinking of getting a puppy.

How do I get my new puppy to sit?
When should I give it a treat?
How do I build a trusting relationship with my pet?

Easy Peasy Puppy Squeezy is an easy to read and accessible guide to training a puppy from birth to young adult (2 weeks to 6 months). Every tip, trick, fact and commandment for making your new addition the perfect pup is included in a fun and informative style, broken down and explained so that you can begin to build the best relationship you can with your new addition to the family.

Written by expert dog-whisperer Steve Mann, the no. 1 dog trainer, this is a must-have for anyone who has or is thinking of getting a puppy.



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Easy Peasy Doggy Diary

The Training Journal with New Tips and Techniques

Steve Mann

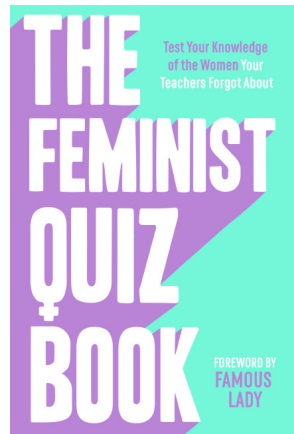
This weekly diary is the perfect tool to help you and your dogs stay on track, set out in a simple format with over 25 new tips and techniques to help you and your dog enjoy the journey to domesticated bliss.

Beautifully designed with illustrations and line drawings with weekly targets and progress checks, *Easy Peasy Doggy Diary* is the perfect way to record those special dog moments such as walking without a lead, perfecting recall, sleeping through the night and socialisation with other dogs and visitors.

Whether you want to keep track of diet, jot down your favourite local walks, record health visits or celebrate key achievements, this journal helps you plan for the future and see how far you've come.

The Feminist Quiz Book

Test Your Knowledge of the Women Your Teachers Forgot About



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Test your feminist knowledge with over 100 questions on feminist history from around the world.

Delve into the fascinating history of women who refused, dared, led, asked and discovered, from Queen Elizabeth II to Mary Wollstonecraft and from the incredible Rosa Parks to the inspiring Malala Yousafzai.

Find out if you know the women who created the very items that surround you, like Mary Anderson who invented windscreen wipers but was told by car companies that it would distract drivers.

Discover the women who weren't afraid to be the first like Sojourner Truth, the first African-American woman to win a lawsuit in the United States when she fought to have her son returned to her from his life of imprisonment as a slave.

Test yourself on the women who keep on fighting the good fight, like Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie, Emma Watson, Caroline Criado Perez and so many more.

The Feminist Quiz Book is a perfect celebration of women from around the world and the gift for the feminist in your life.

Silent Child

Alone and Abused. This is my Story of Survival

Toni Maguire



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From bestselling author Toni Maguire comes a new true story of abuse and escape.

When Hannah was four years old, her father left - and a new man was brought into her life. Her step-father loved her, he kept telling her so, but the emotional and physical abuse she suffered at his hands were a daily nightmare. Until one day, after he crept into her bedroom, Hannah's life became unbearable. Raped for the next ten years until she turned fifteen, Hannah was often sexually abused right in front of her mother - who decided each time to turn a blind eye and ignore what was happening. Astonishingly, Hannah managed to escape the hell her home had become, using her education and intelligence to gain a place at university in Ireland.

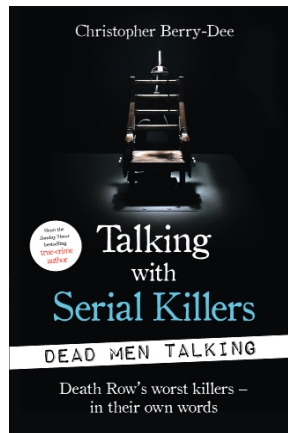
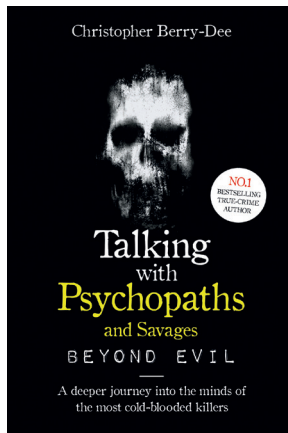
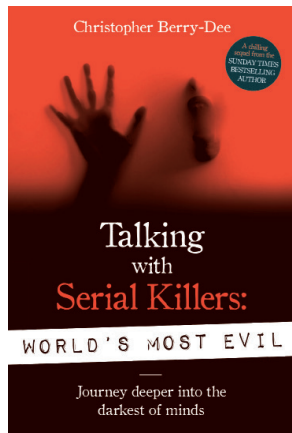
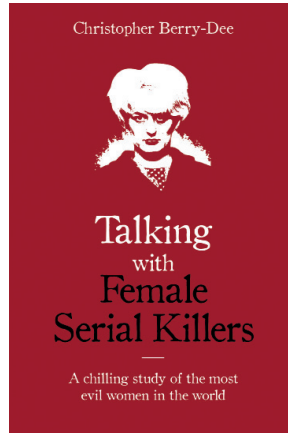
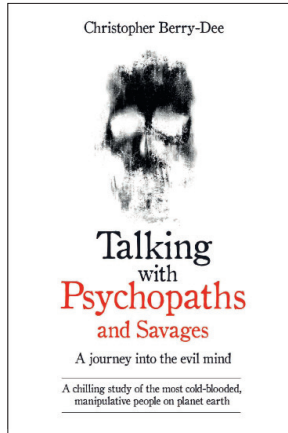
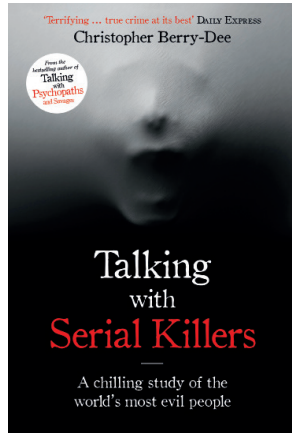
Bravely sharing her story for the first time, Hannah and bestselling writer Toni Maguire, shed light on the rampant abuse still happening in Britain today. Powerful and shocking, sharing her story means Hannah finally has a voice to say: Enough.

TONI MAGUIRE is the author of seven books, including her own bestselling memoirs *Don't Tell Mummy* and *When Daddy Comes Home*. Telling her own story encouraged others who had kept their childhood secrets hidden to approach her, and she now writes for those who need a voice too. To date, she has sold over 1.5 million books worldwide.

Talking With Serial Killers Series

Over 445,000 copies sold in the UK alone!

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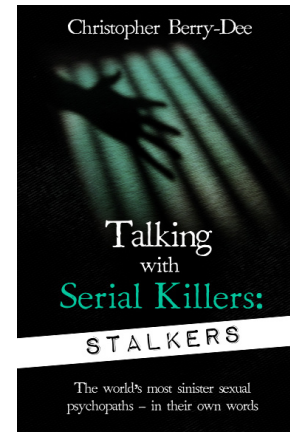
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The World's Most Sinister Sexual Psychopaths in Their Own Words

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Do you ever have that feeling you're being watched? Perhaps you are...

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 this latest book he explores the darkest corners of stalker. As all law-enforcement authorities, including the FBI's elite Behavioral Science Unit, will confirm, the majority of sexual psychopaths gain most of their perverse thrills from the stalking of their unsuspecting victims.

For them, the actual kill is frequently something less, and the thrill comes from following, watching and visiting the victims, sometimes for weeks or even months, before planning the final assault.

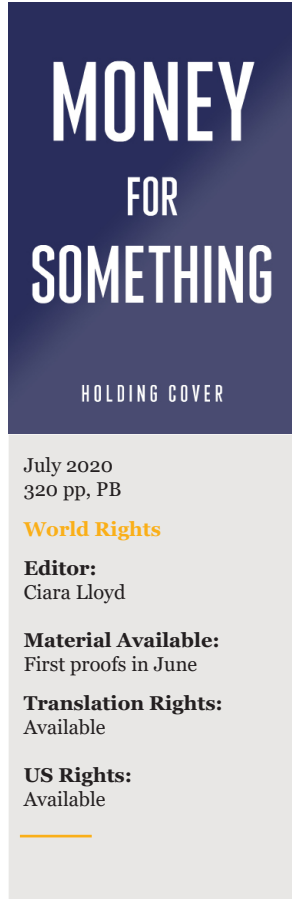
Having exhaustively studied the case histories of more than sixty modern-day sexually motivated serial murderers - some still alive, others subsequently executed - the author zeroes in on the Internet porn industry as one of the main motivating drivers in cultivating fantasy stalking and explores the potential danger of social media.

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.

Money For Something

A Memoir of a Sex Worker

Mia Walsch



A scramble through drug addiction, mental illness and the sex industry in the early millennium.

Mia is nineteen, too mentally ill and too often on drugs to keep a 'straight' job so she starts working at a massage parlour. She takes to sex work with recklessness, aplomb and good humour.

As she works her way through Sydney's many rub-and-tug joints, Mia, or Sasha as she is now known, meets women from every walk of life who choose sex work for myriad reasons.

While negotiating the demands of her new job, she battles her problematic drug use, and the mental illness that has shaped her life. Rather than needing saving from sex work, it is the work that saves her from her many demons.

This is a unique memoir that is shameless, painfully honest and with an ending that refuses to wrap up in a tidy bow. Rejecting the redemption narrative normally associated with sex work, this is an exploration of how it gave the author the stability she needed to save herself from drugs and mental illness. This alone sets it apart from other sex work memoirs, but it is the author's burning prose that is the real standout, shedding new light on mania, drug addiction and the benefits and pitfalls of sex work.

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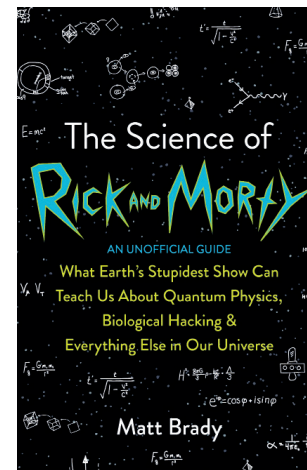
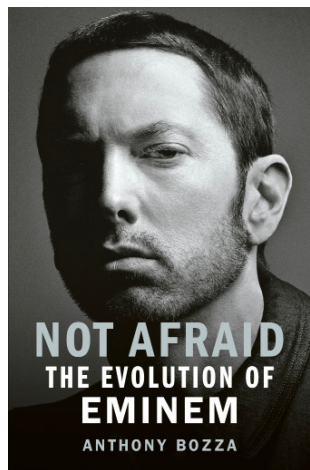
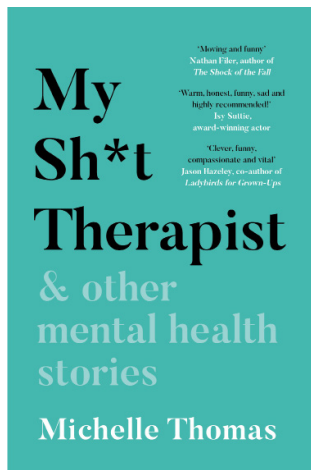
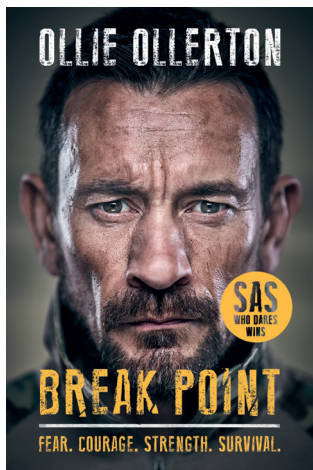
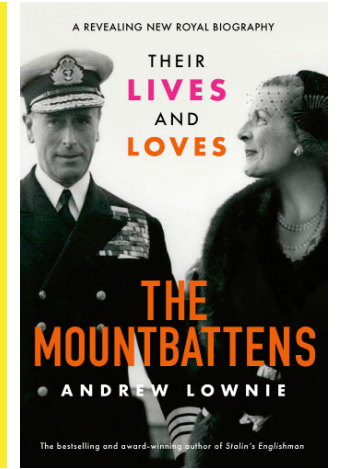
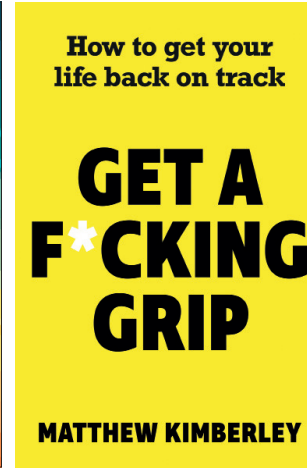
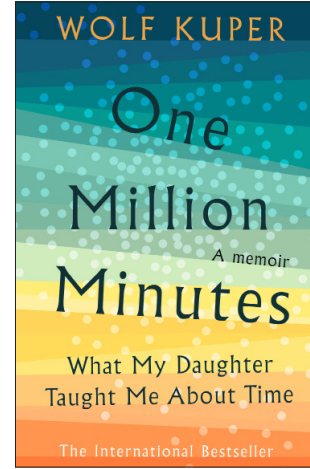
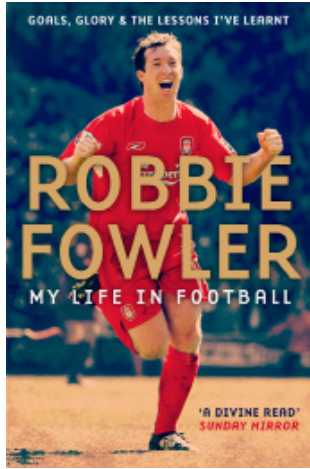
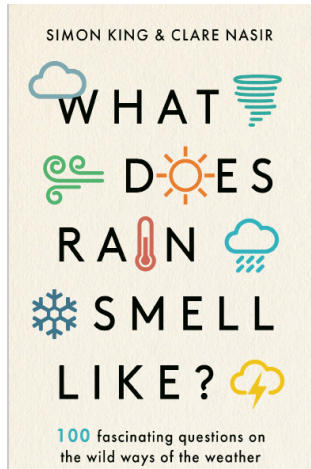
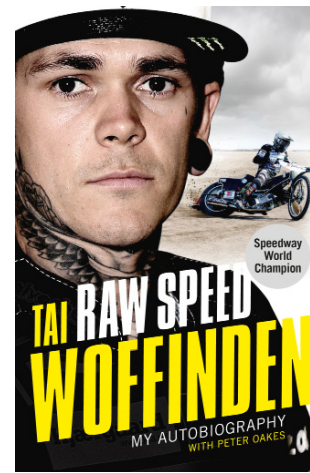
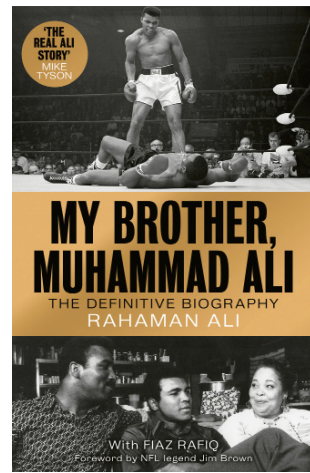
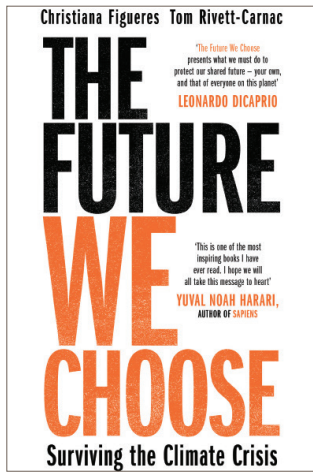
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